



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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WEDNESDAY, MAY 7TH, 2025

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUDGET HEARING OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2025. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]: THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE, SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE, AND MULTI-GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION, AND ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND



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1 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING, IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER,
2 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA
3 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA, SAN
4 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION
5 INDIANS - KIZH NATION, SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, SAN
6 FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE
7 FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT THE LOS
8 ANGELES CITY/COUNTY, NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE
9 AT LANIC.LACOUNTY.GOV.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY
14 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF
16 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH
17 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.
18 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN
19 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH
20 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE
21 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC
22 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE
23 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING
24 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR
25 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO



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1 THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS
2 LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.
3 PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A
4 DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL
5 OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING
6 PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR
7 OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF,
8 STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE
9 RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND
10 BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE
11 DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON
12 ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO
13 BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU
14 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
15 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
16 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
17 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** TODAY WE WILL BEGIN WITH A REPORT
20 BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER THEN WE WILL HEAR FROM THE
21 SUPERVISORS FOLLOWED BY DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS AND THEN WE WILL
22 TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT. FESIA.

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24 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, GOOD MORNING BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE A SHORT



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1 RECAP OF THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET THAT WAS ADOPTED ON APRIL 15
2 TH. THE PURPOSE OF TODAY'S MEETING IS FOR YOUR BOARD TO HEAR
3 FROM THE PUBLIC, SO I WILL BE BRIEF. BUT I DO WANT TO
4 SUMMARIZE THE BUDGET AS IT STANDS NOW AND HIGHLIGHT SOME
5 ADDITIONAL BUDGETARY THREATS THAT HAVE EMERGED IN RECENT DAYS,
6 ADDING TO OUR ALREADY CHALLENGING OUTLOOK. CAN WE GET THE
7 SLIDES PLEASE? GO TO NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. AS THIS SLIDE SAYS,
8 THIS IS A LEANER BUDGET FOR CHALLENGING TIMES AND OUR
9 FINANCIAL PICTURE CONTINUES TO GET MORE CHALLENGING IN JUST
10 THE PAST FEW WEEKS. THE BUDGET CURRENTLY STANDS AT
11 \$47,900,000,000, WHICH IS NEARLY \$1,300,000,000 LESS THAN
12 WHERE WE ENDED LAST YEAR'S BUDGET. TRADITIONALLY, WE WOULD ADD
13 SOME OF THAT FUNDING BACK INTO THE BUDGET AS WE CLOSE THE
14 BOOKS ON THE FISCAL YEAR AND GET A MORE ACCURATE PICTURE OF
15 OTHER RESOURCES LIKE AB109 REVENUE AND OUR ONE-TIME FUND
16 BALANCE. THIS YEAR THAT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE OR AT BEST CASE IT
17 WILL BE VERY CHALLENGING. AS THE SLIDE SHOWS, WE HAVE ALREADY
18 CUT HUNDREDS OF POSITIONS AND TRIMMED DEPARTMENTAL SPENDING BY
19 3%. AND SINCE WE ARE IN SHARP DECLINE IN OUR PROPERTY TAX
20 REVENUE GROWTH OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, WE HAVE LESS
21 REVENUE TO WORK WITH. WE USE THESE SCARCE REVENUES TO FUND
22 SOME SELECTED PROGRAMS IN THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET, MUCH LESS
23 THAN WE HAVE DONE IN PRIOR YEARS. BUT GIVEN OUR WORSENING
24 FINANCIAL OUTLOOK AND OTHER VARIABLES, WE WILL NEED TO TAKE A
25 LOOK AT THESE PROGRAMS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN STILL AFFORD



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1 TO FUND THEM CONSIDERING EVERYTHING ELSE THAT'S ON OUR PLATE.
2 NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SINCE WE LAST DISCUSSED THE BUDGET JUST
3 THREE SHORT WEEKS AGO, OUR FISCAL OUTLOOK HAS SNAPPED INTO
4 CLEARER FOCUS AND WHAT WE ARE SEEING IS NOT GOOD. PRESIDENT
5 TRUMP HAS RELEASED HIS PROPOSED BUDGET WITH MASSIVE PROGRAM
6 CUTS THAT WILL SLASH DOMESTIC SPENDING TO THE LOWEST LEVELS IN
7 MODERN HISTORY IF THAT BUDGET IS ADOPTED. WE EXPECT MAJOR
8 IMPACTS ON THE COUNTY'S BUDGET. OUR TEAM IS STILL ANALYZING
9 THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND ALSO THE BUDGET RECONCILIATION BILL
10 THAT'S EXPECTED AT THE END OF JUNE. I WILL REPORT BACK TO YOUR
11 BOARD AS DETAILS BECOME CLEARER, BUT WE EXPECT THESE CUTS TO
12 BE IN THE HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. EVEN BEFORE
13 PRESIDENT TRUMP RELEASED HIS PROPOSED BUDGET, WE RECEIVED
14 NOTIFICATION OF A \$45,000,000 CUT IN PUBLIC HEALTH GRANTS AND
15 \$53,000,000 IN FUNDING AT RISK FOR PUBLIC WORKS. WE EXPECT THE
16 PICTURE TO WORSEN AS MORE DETAILS EMERGE. WE NOW HAVE YOUR
17 BOARD'S APPROVAL TO SETTLE THOUSANDS OF AB218 CHILDHOOD SEXUAL
18 ABUSE CASES STRETCHING BACK TO THE 1950'S. THIS \$4,000,000,000
19 SETTLEMENT IS BY FAR THE LARGEST IN COUNTY HISTORY AND WE WILL
20 BE PAYING IT OFF FOR DECADES THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2050/51. WE
21 ARE CONTINUING TO TRACK OUR COSTS OF WILDFIRE RESPONSE AND
22 RECOVERY, AS WELL AS PROJECTED LOST REVENUE. THESE IMPACTS
23 WILL TOTAL ABOUT \$2,000,000,000. WE ARE ALSO STILL AT THE
24 NEGOTIATING TABLE WITH OUR UNIONS. WE DO NOT HAVE AN AGREEMENT
25 YET, BUT WE KNOW THAT EVENTUALLY WE WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT NEW



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1 LABOR COSTS. AS A POINT OF REFERENCE, THE COST OF LIVING
2 INCREASES IN THE PREVIOUS THREE-YEAR CONTRACT ADDED MORE THAN
3 \$1,700,000,000 IN ONGOING COSTS. THAT IS A GROSS NUMBER. ADDED
4 COSTS TO THE ON GOING TO THE COUNTY'S BUDGET. THIS INCLUDES
5 \$691,000,000 IN ONGOING NCC COSTS PLUS AN ADDITIONAL
6 \$68,000,000 IN ONE-TIME NCC COSTS FOR ONE-TIME BONUSES. IN
7 ADDITION, I'VE ALREADY REFERRED TO THE DROP IN OUR PROPERTY
8 TAX REVENUE GROWTH. AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT IT'S A
9 DECLINE IN THE GROWTH FROM MORE THAN \$450,000,000 IN FISCAL
10 YEAR 22/23 TO A PROJECTED \$233,900,000 IN 25/26. ALSO, WE
11 REMAIN ON HIGH ALERT FOR POSSIBLE IMPACTS TO THE COUNTY THAT
12 MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION, SCHEDULED FOR
13 RELEASE ON MAY 14TH, AS WELL AS THE FINAL STATE BUDGET THAT
14 WILL BE ADOPTED BY THE END OF JUNE. ALL OF THIS IS HAPPENING
15 IN THE MIDST OF CONTINUING GLOBAL UNCERTAINTY OVER TARIFFS AND
16 EVEN A POSSIBLE RECESSION. ANY ONE OF THESE ALONE WOULD BE
17 CHALLENGING BUT TAKEN TOGETHER THEY ARE UNPRECEDENTED. TAKE
18 THE NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. I'D LIKE TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT ONE
19 OF THOSE PRESSURES AND THAT IS THE DECLINE IN THE GROWTH OF
20 OUR LOCAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUES. WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT? THIS
21 STEEP DECLINE, AS SHOWN ON THE SLIDE, REPRESENTS NEARLY
22 \$100,000,000 LESS THAN LAST YEAR, AND MORE THAN \$200,000,000
23 LESS THAN FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 IN FUNDING THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR
24 NEW OR EXPANDED PROGRAMS. THE VAST MAJORITY OF OUR BUDGET IS
25 WHAT WE USE TO FUND DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY. AND



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1 THIS GROWTH IN PROPERTY TAX REVENUES REPRESENTS THE NEW
2 RESOURCES. THEY ARE THE NEW RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO
3 FUND NEW PROGRAMS OR EXPAND EXISTING ONES AT THE VARIOUS
4 BUDGET PHASES. IT IS A SLICE OF THE BUDGET, BUT IT'S AN
5 IMPORTANT SLICE SINCE THIS IS THE PORTION OF THE BUDGET
6 AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD TO VOTE ON TO PROGRAM IN EACH BUDGET
7 PHASE. WHEN THIS FUNDING GOES DOWN, THE CHOICES BECOME HARDER
8 AS WE WILL SEE ON THE NEXT SLIDE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. PUTTING
9 TOGETHER THE COUNTY BUDGET IS A COMPLEX BALANCING ACT AND WHEN
10 TIMES ARE GOOD, THE TRADEOFFS ARE LESS VISIBLE. BUT WHEN
11 FISCAL PRESSURES ARE INTENSE AS THEY ARE TODAY, IT BECOMES
12 MORE DIFFICULT AND MORE PAINFUL. OUR BUDGET IS LARGE, BUT IT
13 IS NOT UNLIMITED. THESE ARE REAL DOLLARS, AND WE ARE WORKING
14 HARD TO KEEP THE INTEREST OF REAL PEOPLE FRONT AND CENTER AS
15 WE GO THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS. OUR OBJECTIVES ARE TO
16 SUSTAIN ESSENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICES. WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE DEPEND
17 ON US TO PROVIDE SAFETY NET SERVICES AND TO MAKE THEIR LIVES
18 BETTER. THAT IS THE REASON THE COUNTY EXISTS AND IT IS ALWAYS
19 OUR MAIN CONSIDERATION IN CREATING THE BUDGET. WE ALSO WANT TO
20 PROVIDE FAIR COMPENSATION FOR OUR WORKFORCE. WE MUST FIND WAYS
21 TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FAIR COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES WHO
22 DELIVER THOSE ESSENTIAL SERVICES EVERY DAY, BEING MINDFUL OF
23 THE CONSTRAINTS OF OUR BUDGET. WE WANT TO AVOID STRUCTURAL
24 DEFICITS. WE ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO BALANCE OUR BUDGET. WE
25 SHOULD NOT ENTER INTO DEALS OR CONTRACTS TODAY THAT WE ARE NOT



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1 ABLE TO FUND TOMORROW. WE WANT TO PRESERVE OUR CREDIT RATING.
2 WE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST CREDIT RATINGS
3 AND WE NEED TO KEEP THEM. THAT MEANS CONTINUING TO DEMONSTRATE
4 TO THE RATING AGENCIES THAT WE HAVE ADEQUATE RESERVES ON HAND
5 AND THAT WE ARE RELYING ON SOLID REVENUE PROJECTIONS AND
6 RESPONSIBLE BUDGETARY PRACTICES. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
7 WHICH IS FACING A NEARLY \$1,000,000,000 DEFICIT, RECENTLY HAD
8 ITS CREDIT RATING DOWNGRADED. FORTUNATELY, BOTH STANDARD &
9 POOR'S AND MOODY'S RATING AGENCIES PUT OUT PUBLIC NOTICES THAT
10 THE COUNTY'S STRONG CREDIT RATING REMAINS INTACT AND IS LIKELY
11 TO BE UNAFFECTED BY THE ASTRONOMICAL COSTS WE MUST PAY FOR THE
12 AB218 SETTLEMENTS. THE RATING AGENCIES NOTED THE COUNTY'S
13 STRONG GOVERNANCE, WHICH INCLUDES YOUR BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO
14 PRUDENT BUDGETING AND SUBSTANTIAL RESERVES. THIS IS IMPORTANT
15 BECAUSE WE WILL NEED TO BORROW TO PAY OFF THAT \$4,000,000,000
16 SETTLEMENT. AND ANY CHANGE IN OUR RATING COULD LEAD TO HIGHER
17 BORROWING COSTS, AND THAT WOULD MAKE THIS EXPENSIVE SETTLEMENT
18 EVEN MORE COSTLY. AND FINALLY, WE WANT TO AVERT LAYOFFS. OUR
19 RECOMMEND BUDGET AS IT STANDS NOW DOES NOT RECOMMEND LAYOFFS.
20 WE ARE HOPING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY. I JUST MENTIONED THE CITY
21 OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH MAY NEED TO MAKE MORE THAN 1,600 LAYOFFS
22 TO BALANCE ITS BUDGET. AND WE ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDING
23 CONTINUED FISCAL PRUDENCE IN OUR BUDGET SO THAT WE DO NOT HAVE
24 TO TAKE THIS STEP. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, WHAT'S NEXT? AS WE
25 LOOK AHEAD FOR THIS BUDGET SEASON, AS I MENTIONED AT THE TOP



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1 OF MY PRESENTATION, WE WILL BE TAKING ANOTHER LOOK AT PROGRAMS
2 FUNDED IN THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET TO DETERMINE WHETHER THOSE
3 ARE STILL AFFORDABLE GIVEN OUR MOUNTING FINANCIAL PRESSURES.
4 WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO ASSESS AND MONITOR THE BUDGETARY
5 THREATS I OUTLINED EARLIER IN THIS PRESENTATION. WE WILL
6 RETURN TO YOUR BOARD FOR FINAL CHANGES BUDGET DELIBERATIONS ON
7 JUNE 23RD. AFTER THAT, WE WILL BE BACK FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL,
8 WHICH IS ALSO THE FINAL ADOPTED BUDGET SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER
9 30TH. LAST SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION,
10 SUPERVISORS. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE
11 EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT.

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13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, FESIA. I'M GOING TO
14 MAKE REALLY BRIEF REMARKS BECAUSE I KNOW WE'VE GOT PUBLIC
15 COMMENT. WE'VE GOT OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS HERE WHO I THINK WE
16 WANT TO HEAR FROM. BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR PUTTING THIS
17 BUDGET TOGETHER. IT'S VERY SOBERING, NO DOUBT. BUT I THINK NOW
18 MORE THAN EVER, THE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FACING THE COUNTY ARE
19 SUBSTANTIAL IN FAR REACHING. BUT WE NEED TO BE AS TRANSPARENT
20 AS POSSIBLE AND REALLY DO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WITH A CLEAR
21 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT OUR BUDGET LOOKS LIKE ME WHEN YOU TALK
22 ABOUT THE JANUARY WILDFIRES AND THE COST TO THE COUNTY OF MORE
23 THAN \$2,000,000,000. THAT'S NOT INCLUDING THE FACT THAT WE
24 HAVE TO WAIT TO GET REIMBURSED FOR THE COST THAT WE'VE ALREADY
25 SPENT, WHICH CAN TAKE ANYWHERE FROM WHAT, TWO YEARS?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** TWO IS GOOD. WE WOULD SAY THREE TO FIVE
3 YEARS.

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5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** RIGHT, AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE MADE
6 IT VERY CLEAR THAT THE COST OF THE SETTLEMENT ON 218 OF
7 \$4,000,000,000 IS UNPRECEDENTED AND THE REALITY IS THAT WE DID
8 WE REACH A SETTLEMENT WHILE TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION OUR
9 FISCAL I DON'T WANT TO SAY INTEGRITY BUT THE HEALTH OF THIS
10 COUNTY AS IT RELATES TO THE FACT THAT WE HAD A RAINY DAY FUND
11 AND THAT WE ARE BONDING ON THE REMAINDER OF THE \$4,000,000,000
12 DOLLARS AND I SAY THAT BECAUSE YOU BRING UP THE BORROWING AND
13 THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CREDIT RATING. IF OUR CREDIT RATING GOES
14 DOWN AND WE HAVEN'T FOLDED THOSE BONDS YET, THAT CAN, THAT NEW
15 AAA RATE, WHICH WE HAVE NOW VERSUS AN A, COULD COST US
16 MILLIONS, IF NOT HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. SO, IT'S
17 IMPORTANT THAT MOVING FORWARD, WE KEEP IN MIND THAT IT'S NOT
18 JUST ABOUT THIS BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR, IT'S ABOUT ONGOING
19 BUDGETS IN YEARS TO COME. BECAUSE ANYTHING WE DO TODAY AS IT
20 RELATES TO BONDS IS GOING TO BE 30 YEARS DOWN THE ROAD. SO,
21 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE KEEP THAT IN MIND AND BE COGNIZANT OF
22 THAT. I'VE BEEN WITH THE COUNTY LONG ENOUGH TO SEE IT GO UP
23 AND DOWN. AND IT DOES COME BACK UP, BUT IT COMES BACK UP WHEN
24 WE LIVE WITHIN OUR MEANS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME RECOGNIZE THAT
25 WE HAVE EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE TO LIVE WITHIN THEIR MEANS AS



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1 WELL, BUT STILL AT THE SAME TIME, THE COSTS ARE GOING UP FOR
2 THEM. I'VE SAID THIS AND I TALKED TO THE SUPERVISOR SOLIS OVER
3 THE WEEKEND, A COUPLE OF WEEKENDS AGO, GOING TO THE MARKET,
4 IT'S SOBERING. THE COST IS REAL AND IT'S FELT BY EVERYBODY,
5 INCLUDING OUR WORKFORCE. AND SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
6 WE ALSO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THAT THE DECISIONS WE MAKE, WE
7 DON'T WANT TO DO LAYOFFS BECAUSE LAYOFFS IMPACT NOT ONLY THE
8 EMPLOYEE, BUT THEIR FAMILIES AND THE ECONOMY. SO, IT'S
9 IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE CREATIVE IN HOW WE APPROVE OUR BUDGET,
10 BUT AT THE SAME TIME RECOGNIZE THAT AS A BOARD, WE HAVE TO
11 MAKE TOUGH DECISIONS. AND SO, WITH THE UNCERTAINTIES COMING
12 FROM WASHINGTON, WITH THE UNCERTAINTIES COMING WITH PROPERTY
13 TAXES AND THAT'S GOING DOWN. I BELIEVE THAT THIS BOARD IS
14 CAPABLE OF MAKING THOSE DECISIONS AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
15 WORKING WITH MY COLLEAGUES TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT WE DO
16 REFLECTS THE NEEDS OF L.A. COUNTY AND THE VALUES OF L.A.
17 COUNTY. SO, WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO JOIN
20 YOU AND MY COLLEAGUES HERE IN EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION TO
21 YOU, OUR CEO, FESIA DAVENPORT AND YOUR TEAM, AND OF COURSE,
22 OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO I SEE ARE PRESENT TODAY TOO, AND ALL
23 OF OUR STAFF, ESPECIALLY OUR BUDGET STAFFS, FOR CONTINUING
24 THEIR HARD WORK ON THIS BUDGET PROPOSAL THAT WE HAVE BEFORE
25 US. AS WE HAVE HEARD FROM YOU, FESIA, WE ARE ENTERING



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1 EXTREMELY CHALLENGING TIMES. AND SOMETIMES I'M NOT QUITE SURE
2 I CAN EVEN WRAP MY HEAD AROUND ALL THAT IS HAPPENING EVERY
3 SINGLE DAY, BECAUSE IT IS DAUNTING. AND JUST TO THINK THAT
4 LAST WEEK WE APPROVED AN UNPRECEDENTED \$4,000,000,000
5 SETTLEMENT RELATED TO TWO DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE OF CHILD SEX
6 ABUSE CASES, ONE OF THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE COUNTRY.
7 SHAME ON US. AND I KNOW THAT IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN OR WE'RE
8 GOING TO WORK VERY HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT NEVER HAPPENS
9 AGAIN. AND WE KNOW THAT THIS IS A FINANCIAL OBLIGATION THAT
10 WILL TAKE DECADES FOR OUR COUNTY TO PAY BACK AND POSSIBLY OVER
11 20 YEARS OR MORE. SOME OF US WON'T EVEN BE AROUND. I DON'T
12 KNOW, BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT IT'S A LONG TIME TO PAY OFF. I
13 HOPE THIS WAIT SERVES AS A LASTING REMINDER OF OUR SOLEMN
14 RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN ENTRUSTED IN OUR CARE
15 AND TO ROOT OUT ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR BY ANY STAFF IN ANY FORM. IN
16 ADDITION, WE CONTINUE TO FACE THE PRESSURES OF LONG-STANDING
17 CONSENT DECREES INVOLVING OUR JAILS AND OUR PROBATION CAMPS,
18 AS WELL AS SLOWER PROPERTY TAX GROWTH, AS YOU SAID, DUE TO THE
19 IMPACT OF THE ELEVATED INTEREST RATES ON THE LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY HOUSING MARKET, AS WELL AS THE DEVASTATING FIRES THAT
21 PLAGUE L.A. COUNTY. WE ESTIMATE, I BELIEVE, THE COST TO BE
22 ALMOST \$2,000,000,000 IN COMBINED COSTS AND LOST REVENUE. AND
23 WE ALSO REMAIN WITH OUR ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS AND OUR LABOR
24 PARTNERS. SO, I HOPE THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO WORK ACROSS THE
25 TABLE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT THAT IS SATISFACTORY THAT WE CAN



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1 AVOID LAYOFFS. I LOOK FORWARD TO THESE DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU
2 AND WITH OUR PARTNERS AND OUR STAKEHOLDERS. AND I WANT TO
3 UNDERSCORE THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TODAY FOR US IS TO
4 REALLY LISTEN TO WHAT OUR CONSTITUENTS AND OUR RESIDENTS HAVE
5 TO SAY TO US. AND I REALLY THINK THAT THEY HAVE TO UNDERSTAND
6 TOO THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. WE DON'T WANT TO SEE
7 FURTHER HARM TO OUR RESIDENTS, TO OUR COMMUNITIES, OUR
8 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND OBVIOUSLY TO THE SERVICES, THE SAFETY NET
9 SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY IS OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE. BUT IT ISN'T
10 EASY BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME FISCAL CHALLENGES, ONE OF WHICH IS
11 COMING OUR WAY AND HAS ALREADY COME TO OUR DOORSTEP AND THAT
12 IS THROUGH THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION, THE PROPOSED CUTS IN
13 PUBLIC HEALTH THAT YOU HEARD AND OTHERS THAT ARE COMING OUR
14 WAY. AND I HOPE THAT THE COMMUNITY WILL REALLY TAKE HEED AND
15 LISTEN TO THE NEWS REPORTS, MAKE YOUR DECISIONS AS TO WHERE
16 THESE CUTS ARE FALLING, HOW THEY WILL IMPACT OUR COMMUNITIES,
17 AND TO BE RESILIENT ALONGSIDE WITH US, BECAUSE THIS IS
18 SOMETHING THAT WE ARE BOTH ENGAGED IN. AND WE KNOW THAT
19 THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME HURT, BUT WE CAN ALSO CONTINUE TO BE
20 RESILIENT. SO, I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE TODAY, ESPECIALLY OUR
21 CEO WITH THE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'RE MOVING FORWARD.
22 AND NEXT MONTH, WE'LL ADOPT THE FINAL BUDGET AND HOPEFULLY A
23 NEW FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING IN JULY 1ST THAT WE CAN SEE SOME
24 FRESH AIR, I HOPE, AND TAKE A BREATH. AND WITH THAT, I JUST
25 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO ALL OF YOU AND TO THE



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1 PUBLIC THAT IS HERE AND TO OUR DIRECTORS AND THE FOLKS THAT
2 ARE WATCHING US. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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6 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
7 THANKS TO THE MEMBERS OF PUBLIC WHO ARE CHOOSING TO ENGAGE IN
8 OUR BUDGET HEARING. I WANT TO THANK THE OVER 102ND DISTRICT
9 CONSTITUENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR ANNUAL BUDGET TOWN HALL
10 ON MONDAY. WE HEARD YOU LOUD AND CLEAR. I APPRECIATE YOU ALSO
11 RECEIVING THE INFORMATION, MUCH OF WHICH WE JUST HEARD TODAY
12 FROM OUR CEO, BUT I REALLY APPRECIATE THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN
13 SHAPING PROBABLY, YOU KNOW, THE MOST IMPORTANT DOCUMENT THAT
14 COMES OUT OF ANY ELECTED BODY EVERY YEAR, AND THAT'S THE
15 SPENDING PLAN. SO, I THANK MY CONSTITUENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 PUBLIC. THANK YOU TO THE CEO, YOUR BUDGET TEAM, AND ALL THE
17 BUDGET TEAMS OF THE BOARD OFFICES WHO WORK REALLY YEAR-ROUND
18 TO HELP US MONITOR OUR SPENDING PLAN, MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE
19 SPENDING PLAN. THE ESCALATING BUDGET PRESSURE SHEET, MADAM
20 CEO, IS THE DOCUMENT I TEND TO BE DRAWN TO IN YOUR
21 PRESENTATION EVERY TIME. AND THIS ONE IS, IF WE WERE TO WRITE
22 A HOLLYWOOD SCRIPT AND TRY TO COME UP WITH THE PERFECT STORM,
23 IT WOULD LOOK LIKE THIS IN TERMS OF ALL THE POSSIBLE THINGS
24 THAT COULD BE IMPACTING US, SOME ANTICIPATED, BUT MOST NOT. I
25 WAS STRUCK BY YOUR COMMENT THAT WE WILL BE PAYING THE AB218



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1 SETTLEMENT THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2050/2051. I WAS STRUCK BY YOUR
2 COMMENT THAT FEDERAL CUTS ARE IN THE HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF
3 DOLLARS. I WAS IN SACRAMENTO LAST MONTH ATTENDING THE CENTER
4 ON BUDGET POLICY PRIORITIES BUDGET CONFERENCE AND HEARD THE
5 CHAIRS OF THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND
6 REALIZED THAT WHILE WE TEND TO LOOK TO MAY REVISE TO HAVE A
7 REFLECTION, A MORE ACCURATE REFLECTION OF THE STATE'S INTENDED
8 SPENDING PLAN, IT VERY LIKELY WILL NOT BE THIS YEAR, IN THAT
9 THE GOVERNOR HAS DELAYED THE PAYMENT OF TAXES TO L.A. COUNTY
10 RESIDENTS BECAUSE OF THE FIRE. SO, THEY WON'T KNOW, BASED ON
11 APRIL 15TH DATE, THEIR TOTAL INCOME FROM THE LARGEST COUNTY IN
12 THE STATE. AND THEY TOO ARE CONTINUING TO GET, BE, BENEFICIARY
13 IS THE WRONG WORD, BE THE RECIPIENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS BY THE
14 MINUTE THAT ARE EXECUTING A SLASH AND BURN STRATEGY AGAINST
15 CALIFORNIANS, AGAINST AMERICANS, AGAINST HARDWORKING
16 AMERICANS. AND SO, IF AND YES, THE STATE IS REQUIRED BY
17 CONSTITUTION TO PASS A BUDGET BY JUNE 15TH, A BALANCED BUDGET
18 AS WE ARE REQUIRED, IF THEY ARE STILL UNCLEAR IN THE MAY
19 REVISE IN MID-JUNE, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT THE TIMING ON THE
20 CHART YOU SHOWED US BETWEEN FINAL CHANGES AND OUR FINAL
21 ADOPTED BUDGET INTO SEPTEMBER?

22
23 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO, IF THE STATE IS UNCLEAR AS TO THEIR
24 BUDGETARY POSTURE AND HOW THEIR BUDGETARY POSTURE WILL IMPACT
25 THE COUNTY. THERE ARE DECISIONS THAT WOULD NEED TO BE MADE



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1 ABOUT REVENUE THAT WE WOULD NORMALLY GET FROM THE STATE. A LOT
2 OF THAT REVENUE WE WOULD NORMALLY BUDGET IN THE RECOMMENDED
3 BUDGET THAT WAS JUST ON APRIL. WE DELAYED IT UNTIL FINAL
4 CHANGES. BUT IF THEY ARE STILL IN CERTAINTY, WE WOULD LIKELY
5 DELAY MAKING THE DECISIONS TO COUNT ON THAT MONEY UNTIL WE
6 KNOW IF THE STATE CAN COUNT ON THE MONEY, WE WOULD DELAY THOSE
7 DECISIONS UNTIL SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES IN SEPTEMBER.

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9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THE OTHER THING THAT STRUCK ME IN
10 TERMS OF THE FEDERAL CUTS, YOU KNOW, I WENT TO THE LEGISLATURE
11 DURING THE GREAT RECESSION WHEN STATE EMPLOYEES, YOU KNOW, HAD
12 FURLOUGHS, THE KIND OF FURLOUGH WHERE YOU SHOWED UP TO WORK
13 BUT DIDN'T GET PAID MULTIPLE DAYS A MONTH. THE STATE'S BACK
14 WAS AGAINST THE WALL, COULDN'T AVOID IT. I DIDN'T THINK IT
15 COULD GET ANY WORSE. THE PROBLEM WITH THESE FEDERAL CUTS ARE
16 THE CHALLENGES. IT'S NOT ABOUT, YOU KNOW, A POLITICAL
17 PHILOSOPHICAL DIFFERENCE, WHETHER YOU'RE, YOU KNOW,
18 CONSERVATIVE OR MORE LIBERAL IN YOUR PERSPECTIVE OF BIG
19 GOVERNMENT, SMALL GOVERNMENT, WHAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD DO. YOU
20 DO, THESE ARE HATEFUL, RACIST CUTS THAT ARE GOING DEEP INTO
21 THE CORE OF WHAT A SAFETY NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT WILL DO. AND
22 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING FROM YOU THAT THE KINDS OF CUTS WE'VE
23 SEEN THUS FAR AREN'T THINGS THAT WE CAN OVERCOME OR FIND
24 RESOURCES IN THE COUNTY BUDGET TO BACKFILL. IS THAT A FAIR
25 STATEMENT?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** I THINK THAT IS A FAIR STATEMENT, SUPERVISOR.
3 WE HAVE CUTS THAT ARE BEING HANDED DOWN TO SPECIFIC
4 DEPARTMENTS FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES. SOME OF THOSE CUTS ARE FOR
5 FUNDING THAT'S REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT, WHICH MEANS WE PROVIDE
6 THE SERVICE, THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDES THE SERVICE, AND THEN
7 THEY PULL DOWN THE FUNDING. IF THERE IS NO FUNDING TO PULL
8 DOWN, THERE WOULD BE NO FUNDING AVAILABLE TO PAY THE STAFF TO
9 PAY FOR THOSE SERVICES. NOW, MAYBE AT THE OUTSET, A DEPARTMENT
10 MIGHT BE ABLE TO MOVE A STAFF MEMBER FROM ONE POSITION TO
11 ANOTHER POSITION. BUT WHEN YOU START TO TALK ABOUT HUNDREDS OF
12 POSITIONS, THEN THAT BECOMES MORE DIFFICULT TO DO. AND THEN
13 YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF DETERMINING WHETHER THE
14 STAFF IS EVEN QUALIFIED TO BE MOVED FROM ONE POSITION TO
15 ANOTHER POSITION. SO, IT BECOMES A VERY COMPLICATED ENDEAVOR.
16 IF WE WERE TALKING ABOUT SMALL NUMBERS, THEN THAT MIGHT BE
17 MORE OF A PLANNING EXERCISE. BUT THESE NUMBERS ARE FAIRLY,
18 THEY ARE LARGE, AND THEY INVOLVE LARGE NUMBERS OF NOT JUST
19 STAFF, BUT ALSO CONTRACTS AS WELL.

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21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. AND LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR, I
22 APPRECIATE YOUR STRIKING A SUSTAINABLE BALANCE CHART. I FEEL
23 THAT BUDGETS AND SPENDING PLANS ARE VALUE STATEMENTS, JUST
24 LIKE YOUR HOUSEHOLD BUDGET. WE PAY FIRST WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT
25 TO US. AND SO, THESE KIND OF FIVE GUIDING PRINCIPLES, I THINK,



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1 ARE REALLY IMPORTANT. I CERTAINLY SUPPORT THE FACT THAT THE
2 COUNTY HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN ABLE TO AVOID LAYOFFS, I THINK IS
3 A SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT AND ONE THAT WE SHOULD BE PROUD
4 OF. AGAIN, PRESERVING CREDIT RATINGS, AS THE CHAIR SAID,
5 AVOIDING STRUCTURAL DEFICIT, AND AGAIN, PROVIDING FAIR
6 COMPENSATION TO OUR WORKFORCE AND SUSTAINING ESSENTIAL PUBLIC
7 SERVICES. I APPRECIATE THESE FIVE ELEMENTS. I SEE THESE AS
8 GUIDING PRINCIPLES IN TERMS OF HOW WE PRIORITIZE THE WORK WE
9 DO, AS DIFFICULT AS THE DECISIONS WILL BE THAT WILL CONFRONT
10 US IN THE COMING WEEKS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND YOUR
11 PRESENTATION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
14 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO
17 THE CEO AND HER TEAM, EVERYONE WHO HAS WORKED ON THIS BUDGET
18 PRESENTATION, BOTH IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE HEARING TODAY AND
19 ALL OF THE WORK THAT IT REFLECTS. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
20 CHALLENGES AS HAS BEEN STATED FROM OUR HISTORIC AB218
21 SETTLEMENT AND REDUCED REVENUES AND INCREASED COSTS FROM THE
22 FIRE EMERGENCIES OF THIS YEAR AND PRIOR AND REDUCED REVENUES
23 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AMONG THE CHALLENGES THAT WE ARE
24 FACING. WE ALSO HAVE TO OFFER FAIR COMPENSATION TO OUR
25 WORKFORCE WHO ARE THE LIFEBLOOD OF THE COUNTY AND THEIR WORK



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1 IS THE SERVICE THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND
2 SO WE HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT MUCH OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY THAT
3 THE COUNTY PRIDES ITSELF ON IS DONE BY THE HANDS AND THE WORK
4 OF THESE PEOPLE. AND SO, I KNOW THAT THAT IS AN ACTIVE PART OF
5 OUR CONVERSATION AS A BOARD AND NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO BE AN
6 ACTIVE PART OF OUR CONVERSATION GOING FORWARD WHILE WE TAKE ON
7 WHAT ARE ABSOLUTELY UNCONSCIONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES. JUST
8 YESTERDAY THERE WAS A HIGHLIGHTED CONVERSATION AROUND THE CUTS
9 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING HIV FUNDING. AND LET ME
10 BE VERY CLEAR, THESE ARE NOT CUTS THAT THE COUNTY WANTS TO
11 MAKE. THESE ARE NOT SERVICES THE COUNTY WANTS TO DISCONTINUE.
12 THESE ARE SERVICES THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED. IT
13 WILL NOT FUND AND IF THERE ARE NO RESOURCES TO PROVIDE THAT
14 SERVICE, IT ENDANGERS PEOPLE'S LIVES. AND SO, WE MUST BE
15 UNITED IN RAISING OUR VOICES AGAINST THAT KIND OF CUT, BECAUSE
16 WE CANNOT MANIFEST RESOURCES TO DELIVER THAT WORK WITHOUT SOME
17 SORT OF A NEW INVESTMENT. AND SO RATHER THAN US SORT OF TRYING
18 TO SAY THAT THE COUNTY NEEDS TO, AS OUR CEO HAS SAID, WE CAN'T
19 JUST MAGICALLY MANIFEST DOLLARS THAT DON'T EXIST. WE HAVE TO
20 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE FIGHTING FOR THE DOLLARS THAT WE DESERVE,
21 THAT OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE INVESTING IN OUR HEALTH
22 AND SAFETY. I WANT TO TOUCH ON A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS FOR OUR
23 CEO TO HIGHLIGHT FOR US. CAN YOU PROVIDE ANY OTHER UPDATES? I
24 KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM OUR DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS. ARE
25 THERE ANY OTHER FEDERAL CUTS SPECIFICALLY THAT YOU WANT TO



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1 HIGHLIGHT THAT WE HAVEN'T ALREADY TALKED ABOUT SO FAR?

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3 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE KNOW THAT OUR
4 DEPARTMENTS ARE STARTING TO RECEIVE SIGNS THAT THEIR GRANTS,
5 FEDERAL GRANTS ARE IN QUESTION. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE A
6 \$53,000,000 GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT'S
7 ADMINISTERED BY OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, THERE ARE SOME
8 QUESTION AS TO WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO RECEIVE THAT FUNDING.
9 MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT NORMALLY BY THIS TIME IN THE YEAR,
10 DPW WOULD ALREADY HAVE RECEIVED THAT COMMITMENT FOR NEXT YEAR
11 FOR 25/26, YET THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY INDICATION. WE KNOW
12 THAT, AND I THINK DR. FERRER IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT THIS MORE
13 BROADLY, BUT WE KNOW THAT SHE, BASED ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET,
14 THE HHS BUDGET, THAT SHE MIGHT BE LOOKING AT ABOUT A
15 \$300,000,000 IMPACT TO HER BUDGET JUST FOR THINGS THAT ARE
16 EITHER NOT MENTIONED, NOT RECOGNIZED, NOT ACKNOWLEDGED.
17 THERE'S NO LINE ITEM FOR IT IN THE HHS DOCUMENT. AND SO THOSE
18 ARE JUST A FEW, BUT WHAT IS STARTING TO HAPPEN IS WHAT STARTED
19 OFF AS A, YOU KNOW, ONE OR TWO NOTICES, WE SEE THE TEMPLE IS
20 STARTING TO INCREASE, AND THE HOPE IS THAT IT DOES NOT
21 CULMINATE IN A CRESCENDO OF CURTAILMENTS FROM THE FEDERAL
22 GOVERNMENT, BUT WE THINK THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING TO LAND. WE
23 KNOW THAT DR. GHALY IS HERE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
24 SERVICES, AND THEY ARE ALSO PLANNING FOR WHAT POTENTIAL
25 CHANGES MIGHT LOOK LIKE IN THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, WHICH WOULD



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1 IMPACT THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM HERE IN THE STATE, WHICH IS A
2 LARGE PORTION OF THE FUNDING THAT DHS HAS TO PROVIDE HEALTH
3 SERVICES FOR INDIGENT CONSTITUENTS AND RESIDENTS AND THE LIKE.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** I THINK IT'S HELPFUL TO HEAR THAT, YOU
6 KNOW, FOR MANY PEOPLE, HOW CIVICS WORKS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT
7 THEY WERE TAUGHT EFFECTIVELY IN SCHOOL AND LEARNING HOW IF THE
8 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES NOT PROVIDE US THIS FUNDING, THE
9 COUNTY ADMINISTERS AND DOES A LOT OF THE WORK ON THE GROUND
10 THAT IS FUNDED BY STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AND SO, WHEN
11 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAKES THESE CUTS, IT MEANS THAT THE
12 COUNTY CAN'T DO ITS JOB. THE JOB THAT WE WANT TO DO, THE JOB
13 THAT WE DESIRE TO DO, THE SERVICE WE DESIRE TO PROVIDE, THE
14 LEVEL AND TYPE OF SERVICE WE DESIRE TO PROVIDE, WE HAVE
15 ADAPTED BASED ON THE RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED. IF
16 THOSE RESOURCES AREN'T PROVIDED, THEN WE DON'T HAVE THE
17 ABILITY TO PROVIDE THAT SERVICE. AND IT'S DEVASTATING. IT'S
18 NOT A CHOICE. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN NO LONGER DO. AND SO,
19 I THINK, YOU KNOW, THAT'S A CONCERN FROM THE FEDERAL LEVEL
20 THAT WE HAVE SEEN FROM THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. FROM THE STATE,
21 WE HAVE BEEN SEEKING PARTNERSHIP AS IT RELATES TO ASSISTANCE
22 WITH THE FIRE RECOVERY COSTS AND SOME REVENUE LOSS BACKFILL.
23 SO, CAN YOU GIVE ME THE STATUS OF THAT? DO WE HAVE AN IDEA OF
24 HOW MUCH REVENUE LOSS BACKFILL WE MIGHT BE ANTICIPATING AND
25 HOW IS OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE LOOKING? BECAUSE AGAIN,



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1 SOME OF OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE DEPENDENT UPON WHAT THEY
2 PROVIDE US.

3
4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH
5 THE STATE. WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK DONE BY THE
6 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE IN PASSING
7 AB100. AB100 WAS LEGISLATION THAT WAS PASSED TO SUPPORT L.A.
8 COUNTY IN TERMS OF RECOVERING LOST REVENUE DUE TO THE FIRES,
9 AS WELL AS A WAY TO ACCESS FUNDING FOR OUR INCREASED EXPENSES
10 DUE TO THE FIRE. SO, THERE'S TWO THINGS GOING ON. WE
11 ANTICIPATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 24 AND 25 THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO
12 SUCCESSFULLY OBTAIN PROBABLY ABOUT BETWEEN \$105,000,000 TO,
13 LET'S SAY, \$120,000,000 FOR LOST REVENUE. THE STATE HAS
14 INDICATED THAT THAT WOULD BE FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR,
15 24/25, AND THEN NEXT FISCAL YEAR, 25/26. AND THEY ARE OPEN TO
16 LOOKING AT FUTURE YEARS BUT WE'RE NOT HAVING THAT DISCUSSION
17 NOW AND THEN WE ARE ALSO GOING TO BE ABLE TO CLAIM WE ARE
18 WORKING AS WE SPEAK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE TO CLAIM
19 AMOUNTS FOR OUR INCREASED EXPENDITURES. WE DON'T HAVE, WE KNOW
20 WHAT OUR INCREASED EXPENDITURES ARE, BUT WE DON'T KNOW THE
21 AMOUNT THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY CLAIM FROM THE
22 STATE.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** I KNOW THAT THAT WILL BE AN ACTIVE
25 ONGOING CONVERSATION AND I KNOW THE STATE IS ALSO LOOKING AT



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1 WHAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO PROVIDE US IN TERMS OF
2 WHAT WE'RE SEEKING FROM THEM IN TERMS OF SUPPORT AS WELL. SO,
3 IT'S ALL INTERRELATED. THE COUNTY IS WHERE THE RUBBER HITS THE
4 ROAD AND I FEAR WHAT THE IMPACT MAY BE LIKE IF OUR PARTNERS
5 AREN'T ABLE TO DELIVER IN THE WAYS THAT WE HAVE HISTORICALLY
6 BEEN ABLE TO COUNT ON THEM. AND SO ESPECIALLY IN THESE
7 UNPRECEDENTED TIMES, IT'S CRITICAL THAT THEIR PARTNERSHIP SHOW
8 UP AND DELIVER FOR US BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE HURTING AND WE
9 UNDERSTAND THAT AS A BOARD AND AS A COUNTY AND WE'RE DOING ALL
10 THAT WE CAN WITH THE RESOURCES THAT WE DO HAVE TO MAKE THAT
11 PAIN BE FELT LESS BUT IT IS PAIN NONETHELESS THAT WE
12 ACKNOWLEDGE AND WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR COMMUNITY
13 MEMBERS WHO ARE SEEKING A DIFFERENT KIND OF OUTCOME. SO WITH
14 THAT, I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE STAKEHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. THANK YOU FOR
16 CONTINUING TO ENGAGE WITH US IN THESE BUDGET DISCUSSIONS. WE
17 ARE CONTINUING TO ACCEPT COMMENTS IN OUR OFFICE. I KNOW THE
18 EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS ALSO ACCEPTING THOSE BOTH WRITTEN AND ALL
19 THE SUBMITTED COMMENTS ON UNMET NEEDS. I BELIEVE THE DEADLINE
20 FOR THAT IS MAY 16TH AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS. AND SO WE'LL BE
21 LOOKING FOR ALL THE COMMUNICATION THAT COMES IN AND THANK YOU
22 FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE CONVERSATION TODAY.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.
25 SUPERVISOR HAHN.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU
3 TO THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CONTINUING TO ENGAGE WITH US. THANK YOU
4 TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE SHOWN UP TODAY, EITHER IN PERSON OR IF
5 YOU'RE GOING TO BE CALLING IN. WE DO LISTEN TO YOU. WE
6 APPRECIATE YOU. AND THIS DAY IS REALLY FOR US TO HEAR FROM
7 YOU. SO, I'LL JUST MAKE A FEW BRIEF COMMENTS. THANKS AGAIN,
8 FESIA, FOR YOU AND YOUR STAFF'S COMMITMENT WORKING ON THIS
9 BUDGET. AS YOU MADE IT CLEAR, THIS BUDGET REFLECTS A HOST OF
10 CHALLENGES FROM DECLINING REVENUES TO SOARING COSTS,
11 INCREASING UNCERTAINTY ACROSS BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
12 SECTORS. AND I THINK IT WAS JUST SO SHOCKING THE CIRCUMSTANCES
13 THAT LED TO THIS COUNTY HAVING TO SETTLE LAWSUIT FOR
14 \$4,000,000,000, WHICH WAS BROUGHT FORWARD UNDER AB218. I FIND
15 THAT THE MOST PAINFUL PART OF THIS YEAR'S DELIBERATIONS. AB218
16 WAS NECESSARY IN PROVIDING RESTITUTION TO THOSE WHO WERE
17 VICTIMIZED IS ABSOLUTELY THE RIGHT THING TO DO. THE SIZE OF
18 THIS SETTLEMENT SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO THE SCALE AND SCOPE OF
19 ABUSE SUFFERED BY YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE HANDS OF THOSE WHO THEY
20 SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TRUST AND PEOPLE WHO THE COUNTY
21 TRUSTED TO DO THEIR JOBS. THEY BETRAYED THAT TRUST IN THE
22 WORST POSSIBLE WAY. AND AS ANGRY AND FRUSTRATED AS I AM THAT
23 COUNTY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED FOR
24 DECADES BECAUSE THAT ABUSE SPAN DECADES. I'M ALSO SO
25 HEARTBROKEN FOR EVERY PERSON WHO HAS SUFFERED FOR YEARS



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1 BECAUSE OF WHAT THEY WERE SUBJECTED TO AT THE HANDS OF FORMER
2 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. SO EVEN SO, WITH ALL OF THIS, FESIA, I'M
3 GRATEFUL TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO MANAGE THE
4 REDUCTION IN THIS BUDGET WITHOUT LAYOFFS. AND I THINK YOU'VE
5 HEARD THAT FROM ALL OF US. THAT HAS BEEN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
6 TO ME. AND I APPRECIATE YOU MANAGING THIS WITHOUT THAT AND
7 YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS THAT
8 DIRECTLY SERVE OUR RESIDENTS. AND THANK YOU TO OUR DEPARTMENT
9 HEADS FOR, YOU KNOW, YOU WILL BE MAKING YOUR OWN CURTAILMENTS
10 IN EACH OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS. YOU'LL BE DOING MORE WITH LESS.
11 AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. THAT IS THE SPIRIT AND IT ALWAYS HAS
12 BEEN THE SPIRIT OF THIS COUNTY FAMILY. AND I REALLY WANT, I
13 KNOW ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH
14 RIGHT NOW IS THE NON-CONTRACT WITH SEIU AND I KNOW MANY OF
15 THEM ARE HERE TODAY TO RAISE THEIR VOICES. AND I WILL JUST
16 ECHO, I THINK SUPERVISOR HORVATH TALKED ABOUT OUR WORKFORCE. I
17 MEAN, OUR WORKFORCE IN THE COUNTY IS OUR GREATEST ASSET. THAT
18 IS WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT TO THE RESIDENTS. THAT IS, THEY ARE
19 THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECE OF US DELIVERING THE SERVICES AND
20 BEING THE SAFETY NET FOR ALL 10,000,000 RESIDENTS IN L.A.
21 COUNTY. SO, I AM HOPEFUL, I'M STILL HOPEFUL, THAT OUR TWO
22 SIDES CAN COME TOGETHER AND EVEN THE MIDST OF THIS BUDGET
23 CHALLENGE THAT THEY CAN GET A FAIR CONTRACT WHICH VALUES THEM,
24 RESPECTS THEM, AND UPLIFTS THEM IN OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE. SO,
25 THANK YOU AGAIN TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO



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1 SPEAK TODAY. AND OUR BOARD HAS HAD A LOT OF TIME TO TALK ABOUT
2 THIS BUDGET. WE'VE HAD A LOT OF MEETINGS WHERE WE'VE BEEN ABLE
3 TO EXPRESS OUR FEELINGS AND FRUSTRATIONS. THIS MEETING IS
4 REALLY ABOUT YOU, THE PUBLIC HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO TELL US
5 YOUR THOUGHTS AND YOUR PRIORITIES. WE ARE LISTENING. THANK
6 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT,
9 AGAIN, FESIA AND TO YOUR TEAM, TO MASON, THANK YOU FOR THE
10 WORK THAT YOU ALL PUT INTO THIS. I KNOW IT'S A LIVING
11 DOCUMENT, SO WE WILL CONTINUE TO PUT THIS FRONT AND CENTER. WE
12 WILL NOW HEAR FROM THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS WHO REQUESTED
13 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, AND WE WILL BEGIN WITH ASSESSOR JEFFREY
14 PRANG. WELCOME.

15

16 **JEFFREY PRANG:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR,
17 SUPERVISORS. GREAT TO BE WITH YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE
18 OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON OUR BUDGET AND
19 DISCUSS SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT IT HAD FOR THE COMING
20 YEAR. FIRST, I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE DEVASTATING IMPACT OF
21 THE RECENT WILDFIRES THAT HAVE RAVAGED OUR COMMUNITIES,
22 INCLUDING THE PACIFIC PALISADES AND ALTADENA. THE SCALE OF
23 THIS LOSS IS DIFFICULT TO GRASP, BUT WE MUST FACE THE REALITY
24 AND WORK TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE AFFECTED. AS YOU
25 HEARD ME SAY BEFORE, IN MANY WAYS, THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IS



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1 THE FISCAL ENGINE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS 88 CITIES AND
2 OTHER JURISDICTIONS. THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR
3 OPERATIONS DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE ENTIRE REGION AND THIS HAS
4 NEVER BEEN MORE CRITICAL THAN IT IS TODAY. AND I APPRECIATE
5 YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AS WE MODERNIZE OUR PROCESSES TO ENSURE
6 A FAIR AND EQUITABLE ASSESSMENT ROLE WHILE DELIVERING HIGH
7 LEVELS OF SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC. A MILESTONE IN OUR EFFORTS
8 IS THIS YEAR'S ASSESSMENT ROLE, IN THIS YEAR'S ASSESSMENT
9 ROLE, WHICH WILL BE PRODUCED THROUGH OUR NEW CLOUD-BASED
10 DIGITAL SYSTEM. THIS MARKS THE END OF OUR OUTDATED LEGACY
11 MAINFRAME AND THE CHALLENGES THAT THEY POSED. OUR
12 MODERNIZATION EFFORTS HAVE POSITIONED US FOR A MORE EFFICIENT,
13 RELIABLE, AND ACCURATE ASSESSMENT PROCESS. BEFORE DISCUSSING
14 OUR BUDGET PRIORITIES, I DID WANT TO PROVIDE A BRIEF UPDATE ON
15 THE WILDFIRE IMPACTS. WE ARE, WHILE WE'RE NOT FIRST
16 RESPONDERS, OUR ROLE IN DISASTER RECOVERY IS VITAL TO HELP
17 PRESENT THESE UPDATES. A FEW MEMBERS OF MY EXECUTIVE TEAM HAVE
18 JOINED ME TODAY. SCOTT THORNBERRY AND DARA SMITH WERE
19 ASSISTANT ASSESSORS, AS WELL AS GEORGE RENKEI, MY CHIEF
20 DEPUTY. SINCE THE START OF THE FIRES IN JANUARY, MY OFFICE HAS
21 COLLECTED DATA AND DEVELOPED PROCESSES AND REALLOCATED
22 RESOURCES TO ACCURATELY ASSESS DAMAGE AND EXPEDITIOUSLY
23 PROCESS DISASTER RELIEF FOR FIRE VICTIMS. TO DATE, WE HAVE
24 IDENTIFIED ABOUT 23,500 PARCELS THAT ARE IMPACTED BY THE
25 WILDFIRES, WITH APPROXIMATELY 12,000, WHICH HAVE BEEN



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1 COMPLETELY DESTROYED AND ANOTHER 2,000 DAMAGED. TO DATE WE'VE
2 PROCESSED, AND I WANT TO PARTICULARLY ACKNOWLEDGE MY STAFF,
3 THIS WAS A HERCULEAN EFFORT, WE HAVE PROCESSED 17,000
4 MISFORTUNE CALAMITY ASSESSMENT REDUCTIONS, WHICH WILL
5 SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE PROPERTY TAXES FOR AFFECTED PROPERTY
6 OWNERS. 60% OF THOSE REDUCTIONS WERE BASED UPON CLAIMS FILED
7 BY THE PROPERTY OWNER BUT 40% WERE PROACTIVELY BEING MADE BY
8 MY OFFICE EVEN THOUGH A CLAIM HAD NOT YET BEEN FILED. THE
9 TOTAL ESTIMATED LOSS OF ASSESSED VALUE SO FAR IS ABOUT
10 \$10,700,000,000 AND MAY REACH AS MUCH AS 12 OR 13,000,000,000,
11 AN ENORMOUS FINANCIAL IMPACT THAT WILL IMPACT THE COUNTY
12 BUDGET FOR SEVERAL YEARS, ALTHOUGH IT IS LESS THAN THE 20 TO
13 30 BILLION ASSESSED VALUE ESTIMATE THAT WE ORIGINALLY
14 ANTICIPATED. WE'LL CONTINUE REVIEWING THE REMAINING 7,000
15 PROPERTIES IN THE COMING MONTHS. OUR ABILITY TO PROCESS SUCH
16 LARGE VOLUME OF REDUCTIONS WAS DUE TO OUR NEWLY DEVELOPED
17 AUTOMATION PROCESSES AND MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE NEW
18 TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM THAT WE'VE INVESTED OVER THE LAST EIGHT
19 YEARS. WITHOUT THESE PROCESSES IN PLACE, WE WOULD HAVE HAD TO
20 PULL ABOUT 100 OF OUR APPRAISERS OFF OF ROLL PRODUCTION TO
21 ACCOMPLISH THE SAME THING. HOWEVER, EVEN WITH THESE NEW
22 PROCESSES, THE UNPRECEDENTED WORKLOAD CREATED BY THE FIRES HAS
23 REQUIRED MY OFFICE TO DEDICATE OVER 13,000 PRODUCTION HOURS,
24 WORK EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF 30 FULL-TIME APPRAISERS TO DISASTER
25 RELIEF EFFORTS. APPRAISERS REASSIGNED FROM THEIR REGULAR



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1 DUTIES TO DISASTER RELIEF ROLES AND RETIREES ON 120 DAY
2 CONTRACTS HAVE PERFORMED THIS WORK. WHILE NECESSARY, THIS
3 DIVERSION OF RESOURCES AFFECTED OUR ABILITY TO MEET OUR ROLE
4 PRODUCTION GOALS. LOOKING FORWARD, IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT
5 THE INCREASED WORKLOADS CREATED BY THE FIRES ARE NOT SHORT
6 TERM BUT WILL CONTINUE TO BE PART OF AN ONGOING ANNUAL REVIEW
7 PROCESS NEEDED TO ACTUALLY ASSESS AFFECTED PROPERTIES AS THE
8 OWNERS REBUILD. TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE COMMITMENT
9 INVOLVED, OUR OFFICE CONTINUES TO ANNUALLY REVOLVE A FULL 1/3
10 OF THE PROPERTIES THAT WERE AFFECTED BY THE 2018 WOOLSEY FIRE,
11 WHICH WAS MUCH SMALLER IN SIZE AND SCOPE. SO, THIS IS A VERY
12 LONG-TERM PROJECT. IN ADDITION, THE NEED FOR APPRAISAL STAFF
13 TO PERFORM REGULAR DUTIES AS WELL AS TO DISASTER-RELATED
14 FUNCTIONS. THERE'S ALSO A NEED FOR OWNERSHIP SERVICES STAFF TO
15 MANAGE PROPOSITION CLAIMS, PARCEL CHANGES, AND CORPORATE
16 TRANSFERS, WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO THE ASSESSMENT ROLE. THE RECENT
17 WILDFIRES HAVE FURTHER HIGHLIGHTED GAPS IN RECORDED DEED DATA.
18 WE ANTICIPATE A BACKLOG INCREASE FROM 15,000 TO 60,000 THIS
19 YEAR. MANY OF THESE RECORDED DEEDS WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL
20 RESEARCH AND VERIFICATION. WHILE I RECOGNIZE THAT BROADER
21 BUDGET CHALLENGES, THE REQUESTED POSITIONS WILL HELP SUPPORT
22 THE COUNTY'S LONG-TERM FISCAL HEALTH AND STABILITY. THESE
23 EFFORTS ARE CRITICAL TO PRODUCING A FAIR, COMPLETE, AND
24 ACCURATE ASSESSMENT ROLE. NEW TECHNOLOGY ALSO PLAYS AN
25 IMPORTANT ROLE IN HOW WE DO OUR JOBS BY ENABLING US TO PERFORM



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1 ASSESSMENTS MORE QUICKLY AND COMPLETELY. TO THAT END, THERE IS
2 A CRITICAL AREA OF UNREALIZED REVENUE WHEN IT COMES TO
3 AIRCRAFT ASSESSMENTS. NEW TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO
4 HELP US ASSIST ASSESSMENT AGENCIES DISCOVER AND TRACK
5 AIRCRAFT. WHILE FAA RULES HAVE MADE IT EASIER FOR AIRCRAFT
6 OWNERS TO REGISTER THEIR AIRCRAFT IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS AND
7 TO MASK THEIR IDENTIFICATION. THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY WILL HELP US
8 CAPTURE AN ESTIMATED \$1,000,000,000 IN ASSESSED VALUE, WHICH
9 IS TRANSLATED TO A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE OF \$10,000,000 MORE
10 IN REVENUE. SOME ESTIMATES INDICATE THAT THERE'S AS MUCH AS
11 \$5,000,000,000 IN REVENUE THAT CAN BE SECURED. ADDITIONALLY,
12 IF WE'RE ABLE TO SECURE SOFTWARE CONTRACT IN THIS FISCAL YEAR,
13 WE'D BE ABLE TO INCLUDE THE ESCAPED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE
14 CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. THOSE ARE ESCAPED ASSESSMENTS ARE
15 AIRCRAFT THAT HAVE PREVIOUSLY NOT BEEN ASSESSED BECAUSE
16 THEY'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN MASKING THEMSELVES FROM OUR AGENCY.
17 I APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR BUDGET REQUESTS. I
18 DID WANT TO CLOSE IN STATING THAT I AM LASER FOCUSED ON THE
19 IMPORTANCE OF MY OFFICE AT THIS CRITICAL TIME IN THE COUNTY'S
20 HISTORY. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE ARE ESSENTIALLY WIDGET
21 COUNTERS. IF I COUNT ALL THE WIDGETS, YOU WILL HAVE THE
22 MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT IS AVAILABLE THROUGH PROPERTY
23 TAXES. MY JOB IS TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE EFFICIENT AND PRODUCTIVE
24 TO CREATE A FIREWALL OF SORTS TO ENSURE THAT YOU GET THE
25 MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAXES THAT THE COUNTY IS ENTITLED



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1 TO. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
2 QUESTIONS.

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY,
5 WHEN PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE, WHAT PERCENTAGE PAID? WAS THERE
6 ANY, DID YOU SEE A DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF HOMEOWNERS THAT
7 DID NOT PAY ON TIME? IN OTHER WORDS, YEAH, THE ONE, YOU KNOW,
8 IT'S DUE ON, LET'S SAY, WHAT IS IT, AUGUST? APRIL 10TH?

9

10 **JEFFREY PRANG:** THE TREASURY TAX COLLECTOR ISSUED A MEMO
11 EARLIER THIS WEEK AND INDICATED THAT OVER 98% OF THE PEOPLE
12 HAVE PAID THEIR TAXES. IT'S TRACKING VERY CLOSE TO WHAT'S BEEN
13 THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** I COULDN'T REMEMBER WHAT YET,
16 BECAUSE I MEAN, I THINK THAT IT REFLECTS A LOT IN TERMS OF THE
17 ECONOMY AS WELL WHEN PEOPLE ARE ACTUALLY PAYING THEIR PROPERTY
18 TAX ON TIME.

19

20 **JEFFREY PRANG:** IT WAS, I BELIEVE IT WAS A SLIGHT DIP OVER THE
21 PREVIOUS YEAR, NOT THAT MUCH, BUT THAT'S PROBABLY REFLECTED IN
22 WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE FIRE, TO FIRE VICTIMS.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THEN HOW MANY, HAVE YOU FOUND
25 WITH THE NEW PROCESS WHERE PEOPLE HAVE TO PAY TO ASK FOR



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1 RECONSIDERATION ON THEIR ASSESSED VALUE THAT THE NUMBER'S GONE
2 DOWN IN TERMS OF PEOPLE THAT ARE ASKING FOR REASSESSMENT. IT'S
3 ABOUT THE SAME?

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5 **JEFFREY PRANG:** WELL, WE DID, THE FILING FEE THAT WAS
6 IMPLEMENTED A COUPLE YEARS AGO BY THE BOARD HAS ACTUALLY
7 DRAMATICALLY DECREASED THE NUMBER OF APPEALS. AND I THINK
8 YOU'VE HEARD ME TALK BEFORE ABOUT THESE TAX AGENTS WHO HAVE
9 MONETIZED THE SYSTEM BY FILING THOUSANDS OF APPEALS, IN WHICH
10 80% TO 90% OF THEM WOULD BE WITHDRAWN. THAT'S ACTUALLY BEEN
11 REALLY EFFECTIVE AND WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO BRING DOWN THE NUMBER
12 OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS RATHER SIGNIFICANTLY.

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14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GREAT, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
15 SOLIS.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION, JEFFREY. I
18 JUST HAD A QUESTION FOR THOSE IMPACTED BY THE FIRES. AND I
19 THINK THERE WAS A QUESTION ABOUT THEY'RE BEING ASSESSED FOR A
20 PORTION OR HALF A YEAR. CAN YOU EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PUBLIC,
21 PLEASE?

22

23 **JEFFREY PRANG:** THIS IS REALLY CONFUSING, AND WE'VE BEEN
24 WORKING HARD TO TRY TO GET THE WORD OUT TO THE PUBLIC, BUT
25 OBVIOUSLY WE WORK ON A FISCAL YEAR, JULY 1ST UNTIL JUNE 30TH.



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1 THE NOTICES THAT WENT OUT ALERTED PEOPLE THAT THEIR ASSESSMENT
2 HAS BEEN REDUCED FOR THAT HALF OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE FIRES
3 IMPACTED THEIR PROPERTIES. THEY'RE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
4 ASSESSMENT FROM JULY 1ST UNTIL JANUARY 1ST OF 2024. I KNOW
5 THAT'S VERY DIFFICULT FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO MAY HAVE
6 LOST THEIR HOME AND NOW THEY'RE GETTING A TAX BILL. THERE'S
7 REALLY NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT THAT. I DID LOBBY SOME
8 LEGISLATORS TO GRANT PROPERTY TAX FORBEARANCE TO FIRE VICTIMS,
9 BUT THAT WOULD APPARENTLY IS A CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE AND WAS
10 NOT AVAILABLE. SO THAT'S ONE OF THE CHALLENGES WE'RE TRYING
11 TO, ONCE WE'VE EXPLAINED IT TO PEOPLE, THEY DON'T LIKE IT, BUT
12 THEY UNDERSTAND IT. BUT THERE'S, BUT WE'VE GOTTEN A NUMBER OF
13 COMPLAINTS FROM PEOPLE ABOUT WHY THEY'RE BEING TAXED ON
14 SOMETHING THAT'S NO LONGER THERE. IS THERE A PAYMENT PLAN FOR
15 THEM? SO, THERE'S TWO THINGS THAT COULD HELP PEOPLE. ONE IS
16 THE GOVERNOR HAS DELAYED THE PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS UNTIL APRIL
17 OF 2026. THAT SHOULD HELP THEM. AND THEN THE TREASURER TAX
18 COLLECTOR'S OFFICE DOES HAVE PROGRAMS FOR PAYMENT PLANS THAT
19 WOULD BE AVAILABLE. IT MAY BE POSSIBLE, MAY BE NECESSARY TO
20 LOOK AT OTHER COMPASSIONATE PROGRAMS, BUT THOSE ARE THE TWO
21 THINGS THAT ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MOMENT.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** CERTAINLY, KEEP US ABREAST OF ANY
24 LEGISLATIVE MOVEMENT. I THINK THAT'S REALLY CRITICAL,
25 ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HEAR THESE STORIES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO



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1 HAVE, THAT'S ALL THEY HAD, THEIR HOME, AND IT NO LONGER IS
2 STANDING, AND THEN THEY GET A TAX BILL AND THERE'S NOTHING
3 THERE. THEY DON'T HAVE A JOB, THEY DON'T HAVE ANYTHING. AND
4 THAT, I KNOW, BREAKS OUR HEARTS TO HEAR THAT, BUT HOPEFULLY
5 THERE'LL BE SOME SOURCES OF SUPPORT FOR THEM, ASSISTANCE, AND
6 IF OUR OWN DEPARTMENTS CAN HELP OUT, AND I THINK THEY ARE, BUT
7 I THINK WE JUST NEED TO PUBLICIZE IT MORE MAYBE THAT'S
8 SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN ADD TO YOUR MENU OF THINGS TO SHARE
9 WITH THE PUBLIC AND THOSE THAT ARE THAT ARE IMPACTED.

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11 **JEFFREY PRANG:** IT DOES GET A LITTLE BIT WORSE BECAUSE THERE
12 ARE SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION PERMITS
13 IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. WE HAVE A STRUCTURAL BACKLOG IN
14 PROCESSING SOME OF THESE NEW CONSTRUCTION PERMITS. SO IT MAY
15 BE THAT YOU BUILT SOMETHING THREE YEARS AGO THAT WAS DESTROYED
16 DURING THE FIRE, BUT WE HAD NOT PROCESSED YET. AND YOU'RE
17 GOING TO GET A, YOU'RE GOING TO GET A PROPERTY, AN ESCAPE
18 PROPERTY TAX BILL FOR THOSE THREE YEARS THAT YOU HAD IT THAT'S
19 GOING TO BE A VERY DIFFICULT PILL FOR PEOPLE TO SWALLOW.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR WORK I KNOW
22 YOU'RE WORKING DILIGENTLY AND IF WE DON'T HAVE ABLE BODY
23 ASSESSORS OUT THERE WE'RE NOT GOING TO COLLECT THIS REVENUE
24 THAT WE DO NEED TO COLLECT SO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR WORK YOUR
25 PERSISTENCE THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH AND THANK YOU SO I JUST LEAST
3 FOR ASKING THOSE QUESTIONS I KNOW THAT THAT MR. PRANG WAS ON
4 OUR PHONE CALL ON MONDAY TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO THE HOMEOWNERS
5 ABOUT THE FACT THAT FOR HALF A YEAR THE PROPERTY TAXES ARE DUE
6 AND TO YOUR POINT THAT'S NOT WHAT THEY WANT TO HEAR AND SO THE
7 GOVERNOR HAS BEEN INCREDIBLE WHEN IT COMES TO RECOGNIZING THAT
8 WE NEED TO GIVE TIME WITH NO PENALTY TO PAY YOUR PROPERTY
9 TAXES. SO THAT'S A BIT OF A WEIGHT OFF THEM. BUT I JUST WANT
10 TO PUBLICLY, AND I KNOW YOU AGREE, THANK ASSEMBLYMAN
11 HARABEDIAN AS WELL AS SENATOR PEREZ, WHO HAVE BEEN OFFERING TO
12 HELP US. WE'VE REACHED SOME HURDLES, WOULD BE PUTTING IT
13 KINDLY, BUT THEY'VE BEEN MORE THAN WILLING TO HELP US. AND
14 WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS WITH THAT. IT'S BEEN FRUSTRATING FOR
15 THE HOMEOWNERS AND THEN WHEN THEY PULL PERMITS ON ADDITIONS
16 AND THEIR HOUSE BURNED DOWN AND NOW THEY'RE BEING TOLD THEY
17 HAVE TO RESUBMIT AND PAY FOR THOSE PERMITS ALL OVER AGAIN EVEN
18 THOUGH THEY NEVER EVEN GOT TO WORK ON THEIR PROJECT. SO, WE'RE
19 WORKING THROUGH ALL THAT. IT'S LIKE AN ONION, EACH YOU PEEL
20 BACK A LAYER AND THERE'S ANOTHER PROBLEM. BUT PUBLIC WORKS AND
21 REGIONAL PLANNING HAVE BEEN GOOD HELPING US. SUPERVISOR, OH
22 NO, THAT'S IT. YOU DON'T WANT TO SPEAK, OKAY. ALL RIGHT, NO
23 MORE QUESTIONS. THANK YOU, ASSESSOR PRANG. AND NOW WE WILL
24 HEAR FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER, OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH.
25 WELCOME.



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2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, CHAIR
3 BARGER AND SUPERVISORS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU
4 TODAY ON THE IMPACT OF RECENT FEDERAL ACTIONS ON THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S BUDGET, ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS, AND
6 COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES. JOINING ME IS DR. MAHAJAN, OUR CHIEF
7 DEPUTY. SINCE I PRESENTED THE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 25/26
8 BUDGET TO THE BOARD IN EARLY SPRING, THE FISCAL OUTLOOK AT THE
9 FEDERAL LEVEL HAS WORSENERED. I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY WALK YOU
10 THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT'S OVERALL BUDGET MAKEUP AND HOW THE
11 SHIFT TO SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC
12 HEALTH WILL IMPACT THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF THE RESIDENTS
13 OF L.A. COUNTY, PARTICULARLY THOSE MOST VULNERABLE. THE
14 DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR THIS UPCOMING YEAR THAT
15 WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON APRIL 15TH IS \$1,800,000,000. 14%
16 OF THIS BUDGET IS COMPRISED OF NCC FUNDS AND THE TOTAL
17 FEDERALLY SOURCED FUNDS ARE ABOUT \$912,000,000, WHICH IS ABOUT
18 50% OF OUR BUDGET. THIS FEDERAL FUNDING SUPPORTS SALARIES OF
19 APPROXIMATELY 1,500 PERMANENT COUNTY EMPLOYEES AT PUBLIC
20 HEALTH. ALMOST 60% OF THE FEDERAL FUNDING IS CONTRACTED OUT TO
21 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND HEALTH CARE SERVICE
22 PROVIDERS WITH MUCH OF THIS CONTRACTING REQUIRED BY THE
23 FEDERAL GRANTS. ALTHOUGH THE WORK WE DO IN PUBLIC HEALTH IS
24 NONPARTISAN AND FOCUSED ON THE WELL-BEING OF THE ENTIRE
25 POPULATION AND ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES, OUR ABILITY TO PROTECT



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1 RESIDENTS HAS BEEN THREATENED BY ALARMING EFFORTS BY THE NEW
2 FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION TO DISINVEST IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND
3 DISMANTLE CRITICAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE. THIS INCLUDES
4 THE ABRUPT TERMINATION OF PREVIOUSLY AWARDED FEDERAL FUNDS,
5 SIGNIFICANT REORGANIZATION TO THE FEDERAL HEALTH AND HUMAN
6 SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, WITH AN ALARMING REDUCTION TO
7 STAFFING AND FUNDING AT THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL, AND
8 THE PROPOSED PRESIDENT'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026, WHICH
9 WHILE FUNDED BY TAXPAYERS, LAYS OUT A BLUEPRINT FOR CONTINUED
10 DISMANTLING OF CORE PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIVITIES AND SEVERE
11 FUNDING REDUCTIONS TO FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH GRANTS. LET ME
12 TOUCH UPON ALL THREE CONCERNS, STARTING WITH GRANT
13 TERMINATIONS. IN MARCH, MORE THAN \$45,000,000 IN PREVIOUSLY
14 AWARDED FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS THAT SUPPORT INFECTIOUS DISEASE
15 MITIGATION AND LABORATORY CAPACITY, AS WELL AS VACCINE EFFORTS
16 AND SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION, WERE RESCINDED WITHOUT ANY
17 NOTICE. THESE ARE UNPRECEDENTED ACTIONS, AND THE FUNDS
18 TERMINATED ARE FOUNDATIONAL TO OUR PUBLIC HEALTH
19 INFRASTRUCTURE AND PREVENTION EFFORTS. A FEDERAL COURT GRANTED
20 A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, WHICH MEANS THAT FUNDING FOR
21 THESE PROGRAMS CAN CONTINUE WHILE A LAWSUIT CHALLENGING THIS
22 ACTION IS HEARD. BUT IF WE DO NOT WIN THIS CASE, THAT FUNDING
23 WILL BE ABRUPTLY TERMINATING, LEADING TO LAYOFFS OF DOZENS OF
24 CONTRACT EMPLOYEES, TERMINATIONS OF PURCHASE ORDERS, AND
25 REDUCTIONS IN FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT



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1 ARE SUPPORTED BY THESE FUNDS. IN ADDITION, ON APRIL 25TH, THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH RECEIVED OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION
3 THAT THE GRANT FOR OUR PUBLIC HEALTH AMERICORPS PROGRAM WAS
4 ALSO TERMINATED, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. THIS GRANT SUPPORTS
5 AMERICORPS MEMBERS WHO TRAIN TO BECOME THE NEXT GENERATION OF
6 PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE LEADERS. THESE CORPS MEMBERS RESPOND
7 TO PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES BY PROVIDING VITAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH,
8 HEALTH EDUCATION, AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE INVESTIGATIONS
9 ACROSS THE COUNTY. AS A RESULT, DPH WILL LOSE APPROXIMATELY
10 \$1,100,000, AND IT'S ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT 39 OF OUR AMERICORPS
11 WORKFORCE MEMBERS AND NINE TEMPORARY CONTRACT WORKERS WILL BE
12 TERMINATED. THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN TROUBLING CUTS AND DELAYS TO
13 HIV PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL
14 GOVERNMENT. AS PART OF THE REORGANIZATION OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
15 SERVICES, THE CDC DIVISION OF HIV PREVENTION HAS BEEN
16 COMPLETELY ELIMINATED. LOS ANGELES COUNTY CURRENTLY RECEIVES A
17 LITTLE OVER \$19,000,000 ANNUALLY THROUGH A CDC HIV PREVENTION
18 AND SURVEILLANCE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT. THIS FUNDS
19 COMPREHENSIVE HIV PREVENTION EFFORTS THAT ARE LARGELY
20 DELIVERED BY COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDERS. L.A. COUNTY'S CURRENT
21 HIV PREVENTION GRANT FROM THE CDC EXPIRES ON MAY 31, 2025, AND
22 THUS FAR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN RADIO SILENT ABOUT
23 THE FUTURE OF THESE FUNDS. DPH HAS BEEN RECEIVING THIS FUNDING
24 SINCE THE 1990'S, HELPING TO SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER THE RATES OF
25 NEW HIV INFECTIONS, AND WE HAVE NEVER EXPERIENCED A DELAY IN



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1 THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUNDING TO THIS EXTENT. WITHOUT
2 CONFIRMATION OF RENEWAL OF THIS GRANT, WE DO NOT HAVE FUNDING
3 TO CONTINUE CURRENT PROVIDER CONTRACTS PAST MAY 31ST,
4 JEOPARDIZING YEARS OF PROGRESS IN STEMMING COSTLY NEW HIV
5 INFECTIONS. WHILE WE HAVE JOINED WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO
6 REQUEST THAT THE STATE ALLOCATE AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
7 REBATE FUNDS TO CONTINUE LIFESAVING COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION
8 ACTIVITIES, THE STATE HAS INDICATED THAT WHILE THIS IS UNDER
9 CONSIDERATION, IT IS NOT ABLE TO APPROVE NEW FUNDING IN THE
10 VERY NEAR FUTURE. WE'RE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT SIGNIFICANT
11 DELAYS IN RECEIVING OUR RYAN WHITE HIV AIDS PROGRAM PAYMENTS.
12 THIS IS A GRANT AWARD WE RECEIVED IN MARCH OF 2025. AND SO
13 FAR, WE'VE ONLY RECEIVED A FRACTION OF OUR FULL AWARD FOR OUR
14 RYAN WHITE ALLOCATION. WHILE IT'S NORMAL TO RECEIVE AWARDS IN
15 TRANCHES, THE FUNDING AWARDED TO DATE IS SIGNIFICANTLY BEHIND
16 SCHEDULE. BECAUSE OF THESE UNCERTAINTIES AND THE LACK OF STAFF
17 NOW AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL TO ADMINISTER THESE PROGRAMS, THERE
18 ARE DELAYS IN OUR ABILITY TO DISTRIBUTE MONEY TO PROVIDERS,
19 AND WE ALSO HAVE A CONCERN THAT WE MAY NOT RECEIVE THE FULL
20 AMOUNT OF THIS FUNDING. CONFIRMING MANY OF OUR FEARS, THE
21 ADMINISTRATION LAST WEEK RELEASED A FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2026
22 BUDGET BLUEPRINT THAT LAYS BARE THIS ADMINISTRATION'S
23 DISINVESTMENT IN PUBLIC HEALTH. THE BLUEPRINT REORGANIZES HHS
24 AND STRIPS THE CENTERS OF DISEASE CONTROL OF MUCH OF THEIR
25 PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF AND FUNDING, ELIMINATING A HOST OF



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1 CONGRESSIONALLY AUTHORIZED PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS. IF CONGRESS
2 ADOPTS THIS PROPOSAL, L.A. COUNTY COULD FACE THE LOSS OF
3 HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH
4 FUNDING, AMOUNTING TO A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE DEPARTMENT
5 OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S OVERALL BUDGET. SOME EXAMPLES OF THE
6 PROPOSED REDUCTIONS INCLUDE ELIMINATING OR SIGNIFICANTLY
7 CUTTING FUNDING FOR THE FOLLOWING. ELIMINATION OF ALL PUBLIC
8 HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DOLLARS. REDUCTION OF HARM
9 REDUCTION EFFORTS. CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION. VACCINE AND
10 INJURY PREVENTION. AND ALL WORKER SAFETY PROGRAMS. THIS COMES
11 ALONG WITH THE ADMINISTRATION'S STATED PLANS TO REDUCE FUNDING
12 ON ALL CONTRACTS BY 35% OR MORE FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.
13 THESE CHANGES WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY WEAKEN L.A. COUNTY'S ABILITY
14 TO PREVENT DISEASE AND INJURY, RESPOND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH
15 FOR EMERGENCIES, AND SUPPORT VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. AND ANY
16 REDUCTIONS IN MEDICAID DOLLARS COULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL IMPACT
17 ON THE COUNTY'S SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
18 PROGRAMMING, WHICH IS HIGHLY DEPENDENT ON FEDERAL FUNDS.
19 BECAUSE THE FEDERAL OUTLOOK IS GRIM, THERE IS A POSSIBILITY,
20 AND THERE IS A POSSIBILITY, THAT THE GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISED
21 BUDGET MAY ALSO INCLUDE REDUCTIONS IN PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDING,
22 WE WILL NEED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE BOARD AND OUR PARTNERS
23 TO ADDRESS THE VERY CHALLENGING TIMES AHEAD. THE REALITY IS
24 THAT OUR DEPARTMENT'S SOURCES OF FLEXIBLE FUNDING ARE LIMITED.
25 ALMOST ALL OF OUR FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUNDING IS TIED TO



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1 DELIVERABLES AND SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND IT CANNOT BE REPURPOSED
2 OR SHIFTED TO FILL GAPS ELSEWHERE WHEN WE RECEIVE BUDGET
3 REDUCTIONS IN OTHER AREAS. AS SUCH, SHOULD PUBLIC HEALTH
4 EXPERIENCE SEVERE REDUCTIONS IN FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING,
5 THERE ARE LIKELY TO BE DIFFICULT CHOICES, INCLUDING
6 TERMINATIONS OF CONTRACT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN PROVIDING
7 OUTSTANDING SERVICE SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC.
8 LAYING OFF OF PERMANENT EMPLOYEES WHO ARE DEDICATED PUBLIC
9 HEALTH WORKERS WITH EXQUISITELY UNIQUE SKILLS, CANCELING
10 CONTRACTS WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE FUNDED
11 THROUGH OUR FEDERAL GRANTS, RESTRUCTURING ALL OF OUR PUBLIC
12 HEALTH SERVICES SO THAT WE CAN PRIORITIZE LEGALLY MANDATED
13 SERVICES, WHICH MAY CAUSE US TO PAUSE INNOVATIVE AND EFFECTIVE
14 PROGRAMMING. ANY AND ALL OF THESE ACTIONS ARE DEVASTATING AS
15 THEY IMPACT VALUED WORKFORCE MEMBERS, EXEMPLARY COMMUNITY
16 PARTNERS, AND IMPORTANTLY, OUR RESIDENTS. WE ARE IN STRUCTURED
17 DISCUSSIONS WITH PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF, COMMUNITY PARTNERS, AND
18 RESIDENTS IN HOPES OF IDENTIFYING CREATIVE OPTIONS THAT CAN
19 HELP TO PARTIALLY BLUNT THE IMPACT OF THESE CUTS. WE ARE ALSO
20 ASKING FOR THE BOARD AND THE CEO TO SUPPORT OUR REVISED UNMET
21 NEEDS REQUEST WHERE WE ARE MAKING THE FOLLOWING
22 RECOMMENDATIONS TO HELP PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY AS WE PLAN FOR A
23 VERY DIFFICULT TIME. WE ARE REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD AND THE
24 CEO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPPORT
25 MITIGATION EFFORTS. PLEASE ALLOW FOR FLEXIBILITY IN OUR NCC



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1 FUNDING SO THAT DPH CAN SHIFT THESE NCC DOLLARS TO FILL GAPS
2 AND SUSTAIN CRITICAL COMMUNITY SERVICES AND WORKFORCE. PLEASE
3 AGREE TO EXEMPT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FROM THE 3%
4 CURTAILMENT THAT SUPPORTS THE COUNTY'S PAYMENT PLAN FOR AB218
5 PROBATION-RELATED CLAIMS. NCC FUNDS, WHILE THEY MAKE UP ONLY
6 14% OF OUR BUDGET, WE WILL NEED ALL OF THIS IN THE YEAR AHEAD.
7 FINALLY, WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR CRITICAL LEVEL
8 UNMET NEEDS REVISED REQUESTS FOR ONE-TIME FUNDING THAT DPH CAN
9 USE NEXT YEAR TO SUPPORT THE MOST ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF
10 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE LOST. THIS ONE-
11 TIME FUNDING REQUEST INCLUDES \$5,000,000 TO PARTIALLY SUSTAIN
12 CRITICAL STD PREVENTION AND CONTROL EFFORTS IN FACE OF THE
13 FEDERAL ELIMINATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THIS WORK. \$7,000,000
14 TO BACKFILL CRITICAL FUNDING NEEDS IF WE FAIL TO GET A FEDERAL
15 INJUNCTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESCISSION OF OUR ENHANCED
16 EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY GRANTS. AND ABOUT
17 \$20,000,000 IN FLEXIBLE FUNDING TO USE AS NEEDED TO KEEP CORE
18 PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FUNCTIONING IN THE FACE OF FURTHER
19 SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS. THIS ONE-TIME FUNDING REQUEST WOULD
20 ENABLE THE DEPARTMENT AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO
21 STRATEGICALLY MANAGE THESE REDUCTIONS, ENSURING THAT THERE'S
22 TIME TO MITIGATE THE LOSS IN FEDERAL FUNDING WHILE PRESERVING
23 THE MOST ESSENTIAL PORTIONS OF VITAL PUBLIC HEALTH WORK. THIS
24 REQUEST FOR FUNDING WOULD SUPPORT THE ABILITY TO RESPOND TO
25 AND RECOVER FROM PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES LIKE HEPATITIS A



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1 AND MEASLES TO HELP US PREVENT AND TREAT SUBSTANCE USE
2 DISORDERS AND PREVENT AND CONTROL THE SPREAD OF INFECTIOUS
3 DISEASES LIKE HIV AND TUBERCULOSIS. IT WOULD ALSO ALLOW US
4 SOME FLEXIBILITY TO PROVIDE FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF
5 WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES, INCLUDING SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE
6 AND THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
7 CONTINUED SUPPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DURING THESE CRITICAL
8 TIMES. AND NOW WE'RE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. FERRER. ONE QUICK
11 QUESTION, OR LIKE ABOUT A COUPLE, BUT SO IS THE NUMBER OF
12 STAFF ESTIMATED IMPACTED FOR DPH WITH THE CUTS THAT YOU
13 OUTLINED, IT'S NOT 1,400, IS IT?

14

15 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, I MEAN, WE HAVE 1,500 PEOPLE THAT ARE
16 CURRENTLY SUPPORTED, PERMANENT EMPLOYEES, CURRENTLY SUPPORTED
17 WITH OUR FEDERAL FUNDS, WE ANTICIPATE, BASED ON THE
18 PRESIDENT'S BUDGET, THAT WE COULD LOSE ABOUT A THIRD OF THESE
19 FUNDS, AND THAT COULD, IN FACT, IMPACT ABOUT A THIRD OF THAT
20 WORKFORCE.

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22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND YOUR OVERALL BUDGET IS HOW
23 MUCH?

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25 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OUR OVERALL BUDGET IS ABOUT



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1 \$1,700,000,000.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** \$1,700,000,000, SO ABOUT A 1/3 OF
4 THAT IS WHAT YOU'RE,

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6 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, A THIRD OF OUR FEDERAL FUNDING FOR
7 THIS UPCOMING YEAR IS SLIGHTLY OVER \$900,000,000. SO, IF WE
8 LOSE A THIRD, WE WOULD LOSE ABOUT \$300,000,000.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND OF THESE FUNDS THAT ARE BEING
11 CUT, HOW MUCH, ARE ANY OF THEM MANDATED SERVICES OR?

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13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YES, WE USE THESE FEDERAL FUNDS TO
14 ACTUALLY MEET OUR MANDATED PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIREMENTS ALL OVER
15 THE PLACE.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, IT DOESN'T GO AWAY, IT JUST
18 MEANS THAT IT SHOULD?

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20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** IT DOESN'T GO AWAY, WE JUST WON'T HAVE THE
21 LEVEL OF FUNDING FOR IT THAT WE HAVE NOW.

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23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, THERE ARE PROBABLY LEGAL
24 IMPLICATIONS THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO ADDRESS IF IT'S
25 SCALED BACK OR DISCONTINUED.



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2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YES. ONE OF THE REASONS WHY WE'RE ASKING
3 FOR FLEXIBILITY WITH OUR NCC FUNDING IS WE THINK WE WILL HAVE
4 TO MOVE QUICKLY TO ACTUALLY PLUG SOME HOLES SO THAT WE CAN DO
5 OUR LEGALLY MANDATED RESPONSIBILITIES.

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, I MEAN, HOW ARE YOU
8 PRIORITIZING THAT? I KNOW THAT'S A HARD QUESTION, BECAUSE THEN
9 WE SEE THAT MEASLES AND NOW, YOU KNOW, HEPATITIS, I MEAN, I
10 KNOW THAT THERE'S PRIORITIES, BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO
11 PRIORITIZE?

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13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. SO, I WANT TO NOTE THAT WE'VE PUT IN
14 PLACE A PROCESS. IT INVOLVES WORKING WITH ALL OF OUR STAFF,
15 WITH ALL OF OUR BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES THAT HAVE
16 BEEN SUPPORTING PUBLIC HEALTH WORK. WE WILL BE DOING MEETINGS
17 WITH ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS AS WELL. THERE'LL BE OUR
18 REGIONAL HEALTH OFFICERS WILL BE HAVING MEETINGS IN ALL OF THE
19 REGIONS SO THAT WE CAN HEAR FROM FOLKS ABOUT THEIR SENSE OF
20 PRIORITY SERVICES. WE WILL ALSO OF COURSE HAVE OUR LIST OF
21 LEGAL MANDATES AND ALREADY KNOW WHERE THOSE LEGAL HOW THOSE
22 LEGAL MANDATES ARE BEING FUNDED AND WHAT CORE ACTIVITIES ARE
23 ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE LEGAL MANDATES. OBVIOUSLY, WE'VE ALREADY
24 NOTED TO THE BOARD THAT WE'RE COMING TO YOU SHORTLY WITH A
25 PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEES FOR



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1 ALL OF THOSE INSPECTIONS ARE ACTUALLY PAYING FOR THE COSTS OF
2 THOSE INSPECTIONS, BECAUSE THOSE AGAIN ARE PART OF OUR LEGAL
3 MANDATE, AND WE WON'T BE ABLE TO UNDERWRITE OR SUBSIDIZE THOSE
4 COSTS FROM OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING. BUT WE WILL PLAN ON
5 SHARING WITH YOU AND WITH OUR RESIDENTS AND OUR COMMUNITY
6 PARTNERS ALL OF THE STEPS THAT WE THINK WE'LL NEED TO TAKE TO
7 BE ABLE TO MEET OUR LEGAL MANDATES AND SUPPORT VITAL WORK
8 THAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY. I MEAN, I WANT TO NOTE THAT
9 WHEN 60% OF OUR FUNDING IS ACTUALLY DISTRIBUTED THROUGH OUR
10 COMMUNITY PARTNERS, THAT REALLY REFLECTS THE FACT THAT OUR
11 COMMUNITY PARTNERS ARE PROVIDING ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL PUBLIC
12 HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE, AND THESE CUTS CANNOT
13 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS EITHER. SO,
14 THERE'S A SOLUTION HERE THAT REALLY REQUIRES US TO TAKE INTO
15 ACCOUNT THE ENTIRE COMPLEXITY OF HOW WE'RE MANAGING TO FUND
16 AND DELIVER PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES ACROSS THE COUNTY.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THEN IT HAS A DOMINO EFFECT, I
19 WOULD THINK, IN TERMS OF DHS AS WELL, AS IT RELATES TO SOME OF
20 THE CLINICS THAT YOU RUN THAT WOULD IMPACT.

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22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I THINK IT HAS AN IMPACT ON ALL OF OUR
23 PROVIDERS. I MEAN, ONE PLACE WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE REACHING
24 OUT VERY SOON IS TO THE PROVIDER COMMUNITY AND TO THE HEALTH
25 PLANS. SOME OF THE WORK THAT WE DO CAN ALSO BE DONE AND WILL



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1 NEED TO BE DONE BY THE PROVIDER COMMUNITY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT
2 SO MANY OF OUR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY-BASED
3 ORGANIZATIONS, ARE PROVIDING RESPECTFUL AND ESSENTIAL CARE.
4 WHEN SOME OF THAT CARE DISAPPEARS, PEOPLE WILL, AS YOU'VE
5 NOTICED, SUPERVISOR BARGER, BE GOING TO OTHER PROVIDERS FOR
6 SOME OF THAT CARE. AND WE NEED OUR OTHER PROVIDERS TO REALLY
7 UNDERSTAND WHAT IT IS THAT RESIDENTS ARE LOOKING FOR WHEN THEY
8 COME SEEKING THAT CARE.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
11 THEN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, DR. FERRER AND YOUR STAFF. THIS
14 IS REALLY SOBERING TO HEAR AND TERRIBLE. THE WORST TIME I
15 THINK FOR OUR COUNTY AND FOR OUR DEPARTMENTS, JUST WHEN WE
16 THOUGHT WE WERE ON THE CUSP OF COMING THROUGH THE PANDEMIC,
17 COVID, AND NOW WE'RE STRUCK WITH AN EVEN BIGGER HORROR FOR ME.
18 THIS IS A HORROR. AND YOU'RE PROBABLY BEING VERY LIGHT IN
19 TERMS OF HOW YOU'RE DESCRIBING A LOT OF THIS. BUT WHAT I'M
20 CONCERNED WITH MOST IS, AS YOU SAID, OUR PROVIDER COMMUNITY,
21 BECAUSE YOU HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF STAFF. YOU GIVE OUT
22 CONTRACTS. THOSE CONTRACTS ARE THE FIRST TO GO. THAT WILL HAVE
23 A RIPPLE EFFECT. I KNOW, IN FACT, SOME OF THOSE CLINICS HAVE
24 ALREADY CONTACTED ME, AND THEY'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT
25 WE'RE FACING HERE WITH THE COUNTY, BUT EQUALLY CONCERNED ABOUT



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1 THE MEDICAID CUTS THAT ARE ALSO IN THE BUDGET THAT THE
2 PRESIDENT AND THE LEGISLATURE BACK IN DC ARE GOING TO, THE
3 RECONCILIATION BUDGET THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE COMING OUT, THAT
4 IS REALLY GOING TO, I THINK, AGAIN, OFFER MORE DEEPER CUTS
5 THAT WILL JUST DEVASTATE OUR ENTIRE PROVIDER COMMUNITY AS WELL
6 AS OUR DEPARTMENTS, NOT JUST YOURS, BUT MANY OTHERS, INCLUDING
7 DPW AND ANYBODY INVOLVED WITH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE
8 AND CLEAN WATER. ALL OF THESE THINGS ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED.
9 AND I'M REALLY DISTURBED BECAUSE RIGHT AS WE'RE GETTING OUR
10 HANDS AROUND THE HOMELESS ISSUE AND ADDRESSING ISSUES OF
11 CHRONIC ILLNESS OF THOSE ON THE STREET AND PROVIDING AND
12 SETTING UP HUBS, WE HAVE A NEW HUB ON SKID ROW FOR GOD'S SAKE
13 THAT WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF YOUR
14 DEPARTMENT, DHS AS WELL AS SOME OF OUR PROVIDERS AND CALAIM
15 FUNDING AND L.A. CARE AS AN EXAMPLE. IF THIS MONEY GOES AWAY,
16 THEN WE ARE TURNING OUR BACKS ON THE MOST VULNERABLE THAT WE
17 SAID WE WERE GOING TO ASSIST. AND I DON'T THINK MEASURE A
18 MONEY IS GOING TO HELP US WITH A LOT OF THAT BECAUSE I MEAN, I
19 CAN QUICKLY SEE WHERE PEOPLE WILL WANT TO PIVOT, AND THAT IS
20 ALSO LIMITED. AND IT'S ALREADY BEEN ENCUMBERED AS WELL. NOW,
21 YOU'RE ASKING, DR. FERRER, ABOUT, I THINK I ADDED IT UP, ABOUT
22 \$32,000,000. IS THAT WHAT IT IS --

23
24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YES.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THAT YOU'RE ASKING FOR? AND THAT WILL
2 PROVIDE YOU WITH WHAT?

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4 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** MOSTLY IT PROVIDES US WITH, MOST OF IT IS
5 ONE TIME ONLY FUNDING. SO, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** ONE TIME ONLY?

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9 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** MOST OF IT IS IN ONE TIME ONLY FUNDING TO
10 HELP US GET THROUGH A ROUGH YEAR. YOU KNOW, I UNDERSTAND THAT
11 ONCE WE ACTUALLY KNOW THE FULL EXTENT OF THE FEDERAL
12 REDUCTIONS, WE'LL HAVE A BETTER IDEA ABOUT WHAT STRATEGIES ARE
13 GOING TO HELP US WITH LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY OF PUBLIC
14 HEALTH PROGRAMS, BUT IT IS VERY HARD WITH NO FLEXIBLE DOLLARS
15 TO ACTUALLY MAKE WHAT I WOULD CALL STRATEGIC DECISIONS IN THIS
16 UPCOMING YEAR ABOUT HOW TO SUSTAIN WHAT WILL END UP BEING CORE
17 PROGRAMMING NEEDS. SO THAT IS WHY WE PUT IN A REQUEST THAT
18 REALLY HAS A LOT OF ONE-TIME FUNDING TO HELP US BE ABLE TO
19 MAKE BETTER DECISIONS THIS YEAR. I MEAN, AS YOU COULD SEE,
20 WHAT HAPPENS NOW IS WE GET A NOTICE OF A GRANT TERMINATION,
21 AND THEN WE SCRAMBLE TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO REALLY
22 ADDRESS THAT PARTICULAR SITUATION. YOU KNOW, WHERE WE HAVE
23 CONTRACTS WITH OUR COMMUNITY-BASED, OUR EXCELLENT COMMUNITY-
24 BASED PROVIDERS, WE'RE REQUIRED TO GIVE LEGAL NOTICE. THAT'S
25 USUALLY 30 DAYS, IT DEPENDS ON THE CONTRACT. BUT WHEN WE KNOW



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1 FUNDING IS GOING AWAY, THERE ARE STEPS WE'RE LEGALLY REQUIRED
2 TO TAKE, BUT THEN WITHOUT FLEXIBLE DOLLARS, THERE'S NO
3 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO SUSTAIN ANY OF THE
4 PROGRAMMING DOLLARS THAT WE LOSE WHILE WE FIGURE OUT LONG-TERM
5 SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WHAT ARE SOME OF THE REPERCUSSIONS FOR THOSE
8 PROVIDERS? CAN THEY TAKE ANY, I'M JUST GOING TO ASK, ANY LEGAL
9 ACTION AGAINST THE COUNTY? MAYBE THAT'S A QUESTION FOR COUNTY
10 COUNSEL, OR I'M JUST, I MEAN, I'VE NEVER BEEN THROUGH, SEEN
11 THIS SCENARIO BEFORE. I MEAN --

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I WILL SAY WE WORKED WITH OUR COUNTY
14 COUNSEL TO DRAFT THE LETTER THAT WENT OUT TO PROVIDERS TO MAKE
15 SURE THAT WE ARE IN FACT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL OF THE
16 CONTRACTING RULES. AND THAT LETTER ALSO NOTES THAT SHOULD WE
17 RECEIVE OUR FEDERAL FUNDS, THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO GO AHEAD
18 AND MAKE A DIFFERENT DECISION ABOUT CONTINUING THE FUNDING.
19 BUT WE DO HAVE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS THAT ARE WRITTEN INTO OUR
20 CONTRACTS, AND DEPENDING ON THE CONTRACT, THEY'RE DIFFERENT,
21 I'LL BE HONEST. BUT WE WORK CLOSELY WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO
22 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE LEGALLY IN COMPLIANCE.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT THING FOR ME IS
25 BECAUSE WE WERE RECEIVING, I THINK, A THOUSAND EMAILS ON THE



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1 PROPOSED CUTS AND ASKING THE COUNTY TO BACKFILL THESE CUTS.
2 AND OBVIOUSLY THAT'S A TREMENDOUS HEAVY LIFT FOR US. BUT I
3 WOULD HOPE THAT WHAT YOU COULD DO IS PROVIDE DIFFERENT VENUES
4 OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO ALSO HAVE DISCUSSIONS MUCH AS WE DID
5 DURING COVID TO EXPLAIN WHAT IS HAPPENING, AND ESPECIALLY TO
6 OUR PROVIDER COMMUNITY. AND IT MIGHT EVEN BE HELPFUL TO HAVE
7 THOSE KIND OF REINVENTING THOSE SCHEMES THAT WE HAD DURING
8 COVID, BECAUSE I HAVE A FEELING THERE WILL BE A LOT OF PEOPLE
9 THAT WANT QUESTIONS ANSWERED AND SETTING UP WHATEVER IT IS,
10 SOME DASHBOARD OR APPROPRIATE 1-800-CALL HERE IF, YOU KNOW,
11 YOU HAVE A CRISIS OR SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO REALLY GET OUR
12 HANDS AROUND. I'M VERY DISTURBED BECAUSE THIS IS TAKING US 30
13 YEARS' BACKWARDS. I MEAN, THE RYAN WHITE ACT, I REMEMBER IN
14 THE LEGISLATURE WHEN I SERVED BACK IN THE MID-'90S, WE WERE
15 FIGHTING TO GET THOSE FUNDS THEN. AND I FEEL LIKE WE'RE GOING,
16 YOU KNOW, IN A CYCLE THAT COMES BACK AND HISTORY COMES, YOU
17 KNOW, THE BAD STUFF COMES BACK. AND IT'S NOT GOOD AND I WOULD
18 HOPE THAT THE PUBLIC WILL UNDERSTAND THAT THE IMPLICATIONS ARE
19 NOT JUST CENTERED AROUND THE TABLE HERE ON THIS DAIS, THAT IT
20 SHOULD BE DIRECTED AT THE ADMINISTRATION, AS WELL AS OUR
21 CONGRESSIONAL REPUBLICAN DELEGATION. AND THAT HAS TO HAPPEN
22 NOW. AND I'M SURE THERE ARE AVENUES, AND I KNOW SOME OF OUR
23 PROVIDERS OUT THERE IN THE FIELD ARE GOING TO BE ORGANIZING
24 SOMETHING I BELIEVE NEXT WEEK TO PUT THE CALL OUT. BUT WE NEED
25 TO DO MORE AND PEOPLE REALLY NEED TO HEAR PERSONAL STORIES. I



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1 KNOW WHEN WE GO TO SACRAMENTO OR D.C., MANY OF OUR
2 CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS WANT TO HEAR FROM ACTUAL CASES OF PEOPLE
3 BEING IMPACTED BY THESE CUTS, WHAT THAT MEANS. AND I THINK
4 THAT'S THE BEST THING THAT WE CAN DO TO SHOWCASE THAT. AND I
5 KNOW WE HAVE EVIDENCE. BUT I WOULD JUST SAY, I MEAN, I'M ONE
6 WHO WILL TRY TO SUPPORT, I MEAN, OUR SAFETY NET, THAT'S WHY I
7 RAN, BECAUSE THIS IS IT. THE RUBBER HITS THE ROAD RIGHT HERE,
8 AND WE REALLY NEED TO PROVIDE SOME SEMBLANCE OF SERVICE THAT
9 GIVES PEOPLE DIGNITY, GIVES PEOPLE DIGNITY. BECAUSE AT THIS
10 MOMENT, THEY'RE BEING STRIPPED OF THAT. RESPECT, LACK OF
11 RESPECT, AND ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE THAT ARE THE MOST
12 VULNERABLE. THAT'S WHY I SIGNED UP FOR THIS JOB. AND IT'S NOT,
13 MY JOB ISN'T DONE YET BY THE WAY. I WANT TO REMIND PEOPLE OF
14 THAT. AND I'M READY TO FIGHT. SO, I JUST WANT TO SAY, THIS IS
15 THE BAD PART OF WHAT HAPPENS SOMETIMES IN GOVERNMENT AND IN A
16 DEMOCRACY, BUT WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT DEMOCRACY IS BALANCED
17 AND IT'S EQUAL. SO I THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF AND LOOK FORWARD
18 TO HEARING FROM OUR CEO ON ANY IDEAS YOU MAY HAVE. FESIA.

19
20 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I WOULD, LET ME THANK
21 DR. FERRER. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE
22 KNOWN CUTS AND THE CUTS THAT WE ARE PLANNING FOR AND THAT
23 THOSE FEDERAL FUNDS, THEY ARE USED TO SUPPORT VERY IMPORTANT
24 SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY. I ALSO KNOW BECAUSE WE ARE LOOKING
25 IN THE CEO'S OFFICE AT THE GLOBAL PERCH, WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE



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1 SURE THAT WE HAVE FUNDING AVAILABLE SO WE CAN MAKE OUR FIRST
2 INSTALLMENT PAYMENT ON AB218. WE ARE LOOKING AT CURTAILMENTS
3 SO THAT WE CAN FINANCE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE LOOKING AT WHAT
4 FUNDING WE CAN TAKE OFF THE TABLE SO THAT WE CAN RECOGNIZE OUR
5 WORKFORCE. WE ARE LOOKING AT THE OTHER CUTS THAT WE KNOW ARE
6 TO COME. WE JUST DON'T KNOW THE DATE THAT THEY WILL COME. AND
7 SO, I THINK AS WE LOOK AT DR. FERRER'S VERY IMPORTANT REQUEST,
8 THE TASK FOR THE CEO'S OFFICE IS TO LOOK AT THE ENTIRE
9 ENTERPRISE. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS ON THE TABLE IS WHAT
10 PRECEDENT ARE WE SETTING BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE OTHER
11 DEPARTMENTS THAT RECEIVE REQUESTS FOR VERY EQUALLY IMPORTANT
12 FOUNDATIONAL SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC. AND THEN THE QUESTION IS,
13 WELL, YOU KNOW, IF YOU FUNDED PUBLIC HEALTH AND GAVE THEM
14 FLEXIBLE FUNDING OR BRIDGE FUNDING, THEN WHY CAN'T YOU DO THAT
15 FOR US? I BELIEVE THAT IT SETS A PRECEDENT THAT THIS BOARD
16 WILL HAVE TO ADDRESS OVER AND OVER AGAIN. BUT I THINK AT THE
17 END OF THE DAY, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE
18 WILL BE MEETING WITH DPH, WE NEED TO KNOW, DPH, I WOULD SAY,
19 DOES HAVE FLEXIBLE FUNDING IN THE BUDGET, IN THEIR BUDGET
20 RIGHT NOW, IN THEIR NCC FUNDING. THE QUESTION IS, HOW IS THAT
21 FUNDING BEING ALLOCATED NOW? WE'VE BEEN IN DISCUSSIONS WITH
22 THE DEPARTMENT SEVERAL TIMES. WE DON'T HAVE A GOOD IDEA OF
23 WHAT THAT ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION IS AS OF YET. AND WE HOPE TO
24 BE ABLE TO, UNLESS I'M WRONG, DR. FERRER, BUT WE HAVE BEEN
25 ASKING FOR A LIST, LIKE TELL US HOW THOSE DOLLARS ARE BEING,



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1 YOU KNOW, USED. MY TEAM FEEL LIKE WE DON'T HAVE THAT
2 INFORMATION YET. IN TERMS OF THE DISCRETIONARY AND THE
3 MANDATORY FUNCTIONS, ONE OF THE THINGS WHEN WE START WORKING
4 ON OUR CURTAILMENT SCENARIOS TO REFINE THEM, WHICH WE'RE GOING
5 TO BE TALKING TO THE DEPARTMENT HEADS ABOUT TODAY, ONE OF THE
6 FOUNDATIONAL ASPECTS IS START WITH WHAT'S REQUIRED, AND THEN
7 LOOK AT THE DISCRETIONARY DOLLARS. AND I'M NOT SUGGESTING THAT
8 DPH HASN'T DONE THAT. I'M SAYING THAT WE DON'T HAVE THAT
9 INFORMATION. AND SO, IT ADDS COMPLEXITY TO OUR EFFORTS TO
10 PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH VERY SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT
11 MIGHT BE CUT IN THE EVENT OF A CURTAILMENT. SO, WE HAVE AN
12 UPCOMING MEETING WITH OUR OFFICE AND DPH WHERE WE HOPE TO HAVE
13 ANSWERS TO THOSE MORE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. BUT AS I SIT HERE
14 TODAY, YOU KNOW, I CAN'T PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A
15 RECOMMENDATION THAT YES, YOU KNOW, IT'S PROBABLY A HELPFUL
16 THING TO DO, BUT THEN WE ALSO HAVE TO LOOK AT THE ENTIRE
17 ENTERPRISE. AND WE KNOW THAT, YOU KNOW, IN THE COMING MONTHS,
18 THE BOARD WILL PROBABLY BE HEARING FROM OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS
19 WITH VERY SIMILAR STORIES STEMMING FROM THE FEDERAL
20 GOVERNMENT.

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** APPRECIATE THAT, CEO, AND I DO HOPE THAT
23 GIVEN THE MAGNITUDE OF THE CUTS THAT WE'RE SEEING IN JUST THIS
24 DEPARTMENT, THAT THIS CAN HELP SET US, SET THE TABLE FOR THE
25 OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND PERHAPS MAKE SURE THAT OUR TEAMS, THE



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1 BUDGET TEAMS, ARE BOTH LOOKING AT APPLES AND ORANGES TOGETHER
2 AND THAT THAT HELP TO MOVE THE PROCESS BECAUSE I'M SURE WE'RE
3 GOING TO HEAR FROM DHS, DPW, AND A WHOLE SLEW OF OTHER
4 DEPARTMENTS HERE, INCLUDING PARKS AND REC, LIBRARY, I MEAN,
5 WATER, I MEAN, THE WHOLE SLEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS. SO,
6 THANK YOU VERY MUCH AGAIN, I APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU, MADAM
7 CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK.

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

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11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR AND
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU SPEAK FOR ME AND
13 I'M WITH YOU. WE'LL TAKE OFF OUR EARRINGS TOGETHER AND GET
14 READY TO FIGHT. WE KNOW WHAT THAT, IF YOU KNOW, YOU KNOW. TWO
15 QUESTIONS VERY QUICKLY, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST, I WAS GOING TO
16 ASK, BUT I THINK MADAM CEO, YOU HAVE A VERY TOUGH JOB AND I
17 RESPECT YOU FOR THAT. YOU KNOW, I HEARD FROM YOU, DR. FERRER,
18 YOU WERE ASKING TO BE HELD HARMLESS OF THE 3% CURTAILMENT
19 FLEXIBILITY IN NCC AND THEN THE ACTUAL ASK AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS
20 SUMMARIZED. SO, I'M NOW CLEAR ABOUT THAT. SO, MY QUESTION TO
21 YOU, DR. FERRER, YOU ARE THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER FOR L.A.
22 COUNTY. WOULD YOU SAY THAT THE NEW DIRECTION BEING TAKEN BY
23 THE FEDERAL SECRETARY OF HHS AND THE CUTS THUS FAR THAT YOU'VE
24 SUMMARIZED COULD POTENTIALLY PUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF
25 10,000,000 ANGELENOS AT RISK?



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2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
3 ALSO FOR YOUR SUPPORT. AND MY ANSWER WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY YES.
4 AND YOU CANNOT DISMANTLE YOUR NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH
5 DEPARTMENT WITHOUT PUTTING EVERYBODY WHO LIVES IN THIS COUNTRY
6 AT RISK. THE INVESTMENTS WE'VE BEEN MAKING OVER THE LAST
7 DECADES IN SURVEILLANCE, IN CREATING DATA SYSTEMS THAT ALLOW
8 US TO BE ABLE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR
9 COMMUNITY AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY AND OF COURSE ACROSS THE
10 WORLD ARE ESSENTIAL TO PROTECTING OURSELVES FROM WHAT NOW
11 COULD BE, AS WE'VE SEEN, GLOBAL THREATS. WITHOUT THE
12 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE NEED TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT'S
13 HAPPENING IN TERMS OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND CHRONIC
14 DISEASES, WE'RE AT A HUGE DISADVANTAGE. WE ALSO ARE LOSING
15 RESPONSE CAPACITY. SO, ONE SIDE OF THE HOUSE SAYS WE NEED GOOD
16 INFORMATION SO WE CAN MAKE GOOD DECISIONS. THE OTHER SIDE OF
17 THE HOUSE NEEDS FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO THEN MOVE WHEN YOU
18 UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON IN WAYS THAT ALLOW US TO PREVENT
19 THE WORST OUTCOMES FROM EVER HAPPENING AND MITIGATE SITUATIONS
20 THAT ARE HAPPENING. ALL OF THAT'S AT RISK. I MEAN, I FIND IT,
21 I DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND HOW YOU COULD ELIMINATE ALL OF THE
22 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DOLLARS RIGHT AFTER A PANDEMIC WHILE
23 YOU'RE WATCHING INCREASES IN AVIAN BIRD FLU, A NEW DISEASE NOT
24 REALLY BEEN SEEN IN HUMAN BEINGS BEFORE AT THE EXTENT WE'RE
25 SEEING IT. NOW, I THINK WE'RE WITNESSING IT ACROSS A DOZEN



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1 DIFFERENT MAMMALS. I MEAN, WE'VE GOT A MEASLES OUTBREAK,
2 LARGER THAN ANYTHING WE'VE WITNESSED SINCE WE ERADICATED
3 MEASLES IN THIS COUNTRY. ALL OF THAT IN THE BACKDROP OF HAVING
4 ENTIRE FUNDING SOURCES COMPLETELY DISAPPEAR. AND THEN YOU TALK
5 ABOUT THE WORK THAT THIS COUNTRY HAS BEEN SO PROUD TO LEAD ON,
6 WORK AROUND HIV PREVENTION, WORK AROUND TB PREVENTION, WORK
7 AROUND PREVENTING CHRONIC DISEASES, AND YOU SEE THE ENTIRE
8 PREVENTION PORTFOLIO BEING WIPED OUT. IN ORDER FOR PEOPLE TO
9 LIVE THEIR HEALTHIEST LIVES, THEY DO NEED RESOURCES THAT ARE
10 DIRECTED IN THEIR COMMUNITY THAT ALLOW THEM TO HAVE ACCESS TO
11 THE VERY THINGS THAT HELP THEM BE HEALTHY. AND THE FUNDING
12 THAT'S DISAPPEARING IS FUNDING THAT'S USED FOR THOSE VERY CORE
13 PURPOSES. SO YES, I THINK SHOULD THE PRESIDENT'S BUDGET BECOME
14 OUR REALITY, THIS COUNTRY WILL NOT BE AS SAFE AS IT IS TODAY,
15 NOR WILL IT BE AS SAFE AS THE RESIDENTS AND THE WORKERS ARE
16 ENTITLED TO HAVE THEIR COUNTRY BE AS WE GO INTO THE FUTURE.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO ASK
19 HIM MORE. OH. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT.
20 THANK YOU, DR. FERRER FOR THE PRESENTATION WE WILL NOW TAKE
21 PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE BUDGET MATTER BEFORE WE BEGIN EXECUTIVE
22 OFFICER PLEASE READ IN THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT'S ALSO
23 PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND THEN EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO



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1 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA PLEASE CALL
2 877-226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1336503. MEMBERS
3 OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARD ROOM.
4 YOU WILL RECEIVE UP TO ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. PLEASE
5 CLEARLY STATE YOUR NAME. PLEASE NOTE ONCE YOUR TIME HAS
6 EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. FOR
7 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, PROMPTLY PRESS ONE
8 THEN ZERO TO BE MOVED FROM THE LISTENING QUEUE TO THE SPEAKING
9 QUEUE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME
10 ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU OR THERE
11 WILL BE AN ECHO. PLEASE SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR MICROPHONE
12 FOR BEST CALL QUALITY. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON
13 AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE'LL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO
14 SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE,
15 WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE
16 COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
17 YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO
18 SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. AND WHILE
19 THEY ARE COMING DOWN, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TELEPHONIC
20 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. BUT WE'LL START WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
23 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ADMASU SANATE, ALPHA
24 TIMBAL, ELZE HENDERSON, ANNA ALICIA CARR, ARBERTHA FRANKLIN,
25 AUREA RECINTO, BEA CORRELL, BEN OWENS, BERTHA GONZALEZ, BETTY



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1 TOTO, BILLY EREGA, BYRON JOSE, CARMEN ROBERTS, CECILIA HU,
2 CHERYL STUBBS, CHRISTINA ALOMINA, CLARA KIM, CLAUDIA CHAVEZ,
3 KRISTA BARAJAS, AND DANIEL GONZALEZ, PLEASE COME FORWARD. AS A
4 FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU HAVE
5 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN ZERO NOW TO BE
6 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
7 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHRIES. YOUR LINE
10 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
11 INTO YOUR PHONE. MR. HUMPHRIES, YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TEETERS ON BANKRUPTCY
14 ENGINEERED BY THE DEMOCRAT PARTY. AS NEWSOM HAS ENGINEERED THE
15 DEMISE OF CALIFORNIA, CHAMPIONED CALIFORNIA VALUES, GOD BLESS
16 PRESIDENT TRUMP. PER TUESDAY'S AND TODAY'S BUDGET, THE COUNTY
17 MUST IMMEDIATELY INSTALL A PROPERLY ENGINEERED \$1,000,000,000
18 AI COMPUTER SYSTEM PURGING THE TWO YEARS IN THE PROJECT. I'VE
19 READ THE COMMENTS AND SOME OF THIS ABOUT THE IMMIGRANT
20 SUPPORT. ONE OF THE CRITERIA OF LEGAL IMMIGRANT IS NOT TO BE A
21 BURDEN ON THE SOCIETY. FOR THOSE WHO SPEND PRECIOUS DOLLARS,
22 TAX DOLLARS ON ILLEGAL MIGRANTS, PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS PREPARING
23 ALCATRAZ FOR YOU. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, A STRAWBERRY PICKER
24 HAS BEEN DEVELOPED THAT HARVESTS 17 ACRES PER DAY, PRIORITIZED
25 FUNDING DOWN TO TAKE DOWN THE CRIMINAL PROBATION DEPARTMENT



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S GREAT FEDERAL RACIST COMMENTS ARE
2 EXPECTED FOR ANY PERSON OF THE HISTORY OF THE --

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE

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6 **SPEAKER:** KKK THE --

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8 **MODERATOR:** NEXT SPEAKER IS NICHOLAS MORITZ. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS MARIS AND I'M HERE WITH HUMAN
19 RIGHTS FIRST. WE ARE RECIPIENTS OF THE CAPACITY STRENGTHENING
20 GRANTS FOR IMMIGRANT-FOCUSED CDOS THAT THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT
21 AFFAIRS HAS FUNDED SINCE 2023. THESE GRANTS HAVE PROVIDED
22 4,300,000 IN GRANTS TO 31 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO INCREASE
23 OUR CAPACITY AND TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO LEGAL AND CASE
24 MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AMONG
25 OTHER SUCCESSES, TOGETHER, WE HAVE PROVIDED CASE MANAGEMENT



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1 SERVICES TO 3,663 IMMIGRANT CLIENTS, INCLUDING 583 REPRESENT
2 L.A. CLIENTS. AND WE'VE INCREASED OUR COLLECTIVE IMMIGRANT
3 CASE MANAGEMENT CAPACITY BY 35.6%. WITH ALL FUNDING SET TO
4 EXPIRE IN 2025, IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THIS UNMET NEED, WE
5 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A FUNDING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000 FOR A
6 ONE-YEAR RENEWAL OF THIS CAPACITY STRENGTHENING GRANTS FOR
7 IMMIGRANT FOCUS CBO INITIATIVES --

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** EURIBUS TERRA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS EURIDICE TERANT AND I AM WITH THE
14 INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF LOS ANGELES. I AM ALSO RECIPIENT.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE CONTINUE.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** I THINK WE LOST THE PHONE
19 CONNECTION.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WHY DON'T WE GO TO IN PERSON WHILE
24 WE FIGURE OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PHONES. AND WE'LL TURN ON
25 YOUR SPEAK. OKAY THERE YOU GO.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR, GOOD MORNING BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS SANAITHA HADMASU. I'M FROM AFRICAN
4 COALITION, THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH
5 AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE TO IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. I'M SPEAKING
6 TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY URGE COUNTY BUDGET WOULD BE INCLUSIVE TO
7 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. AS THE POLITICAL CLIMATE HAS CHANGED, OUR
8 NEEDS HAS BEEN URGENT, AND WIDE RANGE LEGAL ASSISTANCE,
9 HOUSING, HEALTHCARE, AND ACCESS TO EDUCATION. WHEN WE SAY 35%
10 OF THE POPULATION IS IMMIGRANT, THIS IS NOT JUST A NUMBER,
11 THIS IS A FAMILY, INDIVIDUAL, WHO NEEDS THAT SAFETY, DIGNITY,
12 AND APPROPRIATE CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY. SO, AS YOU
13 FINALIZE YOUR BUDGET, WE URGE YOU TO BE INCLUSIVE, AND
14 INCLUSIVELY ALL IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY REFUGEE. THANK YOU FOR
15 YOUR TIME.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I AM SPEAKING TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE TGI2+
20 COMMUNITY FOR THE TRANS LATINO COALITION. I AM A COMMISSIONER
21 ON THE HIV COMMISSION, SO I WILL NOT BE SPEAKING ON THAT. YOU
22 ALL APPOINTED ME THERE. I WANT TO THANK YOU. I'M HERE TO THANK
23 YOU TODAY, ALL OF YOU, BUT ESPECIALLY LINDSAY HORVATH, FOR
24 PUTTING FORTH THE TGI WELLNESS EQUITY INITIATIVE, PASSING IT,
25 APPROVING IT, FOR \$7,00,000, I'M HERE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT. SO, TODAY'S NOT A, IT'S A DAY OF HOPE. AND THERE IS HOPE
2 IN ALL OF US, EVEN THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING EVERYTHING
3 THEY CAN TO DESTROY US, TO WIPE US OFF THE MAP. THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SEES US AND IS FUNDING AN
5 INITIATIVE THAT IS SO IMPORTANT TO THE TGI2+ COMMUNITY. THANK
6 YOU SO VERY MUCH, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** IF YOU COULD REFRAIN FROM CLAPPING
9 AND PUT YOUR HANDS UP, THAT WOULD BE GREAT, BECAUSE WE'VE GOT
10 A LOT OF SPEAKERS. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ANNALISA CARR,
13 DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND COALITIONS WITH THE LOS ANGELES FOOD
14 POLICY COUNCIL, A COLLECTIVE IMPACT ORGANIZATION WORKING TO
15 ENSURE FOOD IS HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE, SUSTAINABLE AND FAIR FOR
16 ALL. IN THESE REALLY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, WE ARE HERE TO
17 URGE THE BOARD TO CONTINUE TO FIND OPPORTUNITIES TO INVEST IN
18 OUR LOCAL FOOD SYSTEM SO THAT IT IS EQUITABLE AND JUST. OUR
19 FARMERS NEED ACCESS TO LAND AND LAND TENURE TO GROW THE FOOD
20 TO FEED OUR COMMUNITIES. OUR FOOD RECOVERY ORGANIZATIONS NEED
21 RESOURCES TO RECOVER FOOD AND FEED FAMILIES AND DIVERT FOOD
22 FROM LANDFILLS. OUR SMALL BUSINESSES NEED RESOURCES AROUND
23 INFRASTRUCTURE AND REFRIGERATION TO INCREASE HEALTHY FOOD
24 INVENTORY IN THEIR STORES. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, OUR FAMILIES
25 NEED SUPPORT WITH INCREASED SPENDING POWER THROUGH PROGRAMS



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SUPERVISORS

1 LIKE MARKET MATCH, NUTRITION INCENTIVE PROGRAMS, WHICH HELP
2 THEM INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS THAT THEY CAN USE TO FEED
3 THEIR FAMILIES. THANK YOU.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BETTY TOTO AND I'M WITH
8 FOOD FOR HEALTH. AND I'D LIKE TO SHARE WHAT WE'RE SEEING IN
9 DISTRICTS ONE AND FIVE. IN DISTRICT ONE, WE OPERATE A WEEKLY
10 NO-COST FARMERS' MARKET STYLE PANTRY AT EIGHTH AND LAKE IN THE
11 WESTLAKE AREA, SERVING OVER 500 PEOPLE. IN DISTRICT FIVE, WE
12 SERVE AROUND 300 INDIVIDUALS EVERY SATURDAY AT OUR NO-COST
13 PANTRY IN ALTADENA, FULFILLING NEEDS MOSTLY FOR THOSE AFFECTED
14 BY THE FIRES. WE'VE SEEN A STEADY INCREASE IN PEOPLE SEEKING
15 ASSISTANCE, PARTICULARLY LOW- AND NO-INCOME RESIDENTS. WITH
16 PRICES RISING AND POTENTIAL CUTS TO SNAP AND WIC AT THE
17 FEDERAL LEVEL, THE NEED IS ONLY GROWING. THE PROPOSED COUNTY
18 BUDGET APPEARS TO LEAVE LITTLE ROOM FOR EXPANDING FOOD
19 SERVICES. WE ALSO NOTICE THE TRANSFER OF THE ALTADENA
20 COMMUNITY CENTER AND REDUCTIONS TO AGING AND ADULT SERVICES,
21 WHICH MAY AFFECT CONTINUITY OF CARE. IT'S IN OUR NAME, HEALTH,
22 FOOD FOR HEALTH PROGRAMS LIKE --

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. CAREGIVERS DESERVE EQUITY. MY NAME IS
2 ELISE HENDERSON AND I AM AN IHSS PROVIDER, A WOMAN OF COLOR.
3 AND LIKE MANY OF US, IN THIS WORK I KNOW WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO
4 BE OVERLOOKED, UNDER PAID AND UNDER VALUED. BUT EVERY DAY I
5 SHOW UP TO GIVE CARE WITH COMPASSION AND DIGNITY. FAIR WAGES
6 ARE JUST ECONOMIC. THEY ARE ABOUT JUSTICE. THE BOARD GAVE
7 ITSELF A RAISE. IT IS TIME TO LIFT UP THE WORKFORCE THAT'S
8 BEEN HOLDING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER. PLEASE SUPPORT A CONTRACT
9 THAT INVESTS IN EQUITY AND RESPECT FOR CAREGIVERS.

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA SHARRIAZ. I
14 WORK WITH THE TRANS--

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU GET CLOSER TO THE MIC,
17 PLEASE?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA SHARIAS. I
20 WORK WITH THE TRANS-LATINA COALITION, AND I'M HERE TO THANK
21 YOU FOR YOUR FUNDING DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE AMITY FOUNDATION.
22 I HAVE A JOB. I HAVE A JOB THAT GIVES ME A PAYCHECK. I HAVE
23 PURPOSE, SUPPORTING ON THE FRONT LINES TO A COMMUNITY THAT IS
24 IN DESPERATE NEED OF YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. WE OFFER SERVICES
25 FROM HOUSING, LEGAL AID, ANTI-HATE, ANTI-VIOLENCE, AND MY



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SUPERVISORS

1 PROGRAM SPECIFICALLY WITH THE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM, I PROVIDE
2 SERVICES TO TGI POPULATION WHO'S BEEN INCARCERATED OR
3 DETAINED. I PAIR THEM WITH OTHER TGI ROLE MODELS AND LEADERS
4 IN THE COMMUNITY. AND WITHOUT YOU AND YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT,
5 I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THIS CHANGE. I WOULD NOT BE
6 SERVING A COMMUNITY THAT IS FACED WITH DISPARAGING
7 DISCRIMINATION EVERY DAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP --

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BEN OWENS, ALSO KNOWN AS
12 TACO. I AM A COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION SPECIALIST. I
13 BROUGHT A FEW OF MY COLLEAGUES HERE TODAY. THESE ARE THE
14 PEACEMAKERS THAT WORK THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE 88
15 CITIES. WE PROVIDE COMMUNITY PUBLIC SAFETY. WE'VE BEEN DOING
16 THIS FOR DECADES. WE'RE HAVING A TREMENDOUS IMPACT IN OUR
17 COMMUNITIES AND WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FIRST FOR YOUR
18 INVESTMENT IN THE LONG SERVICES THAT YOU'VE BEEN HELPING WITH
19 OUR CVI PROGRAMS AND OUR TPI PROGRAMS. AND I SAY THANK YOU,
20 BUT I ALSO WANT TO SAY PLEASE, PLEASE DON'T ALLOW THEM TO PULL
21 THE RUG FROM UNDER US WITH THIS FUNDING. IT WILL IMPACT OUR
22 COMMUNITIES TREMENDOUSLY AND TAKE US BACK TO THE DAYS IN THE
23 1990'S WHERE HOMICIDES WERE OVER 2,000 IN THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY. SO AGAIN, THANK YOU AND PLEASE HELP US.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DANIEL GONZALEZ AND I'M SPEAKING ON
4 BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER WITH AN URGENT PLEA. THE
5 COUNTY'S ABRUPT TERMINATION OF HIV PREVENTION CONTRACTS IS
6 CAUSING IMMEDIATE HARM. THESE CUTS ARE ABOUT TO DISRUPT LIFE-
7 SAVING PUBLIC SERVICES AND JEOPARDIZE JOBS BEFORE ANY FEDERAL
8 FUNDING DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S MOVE TO
9 PREEMPTIVELY TERMINATE HIV PREVENTION CONTRACTS IS NOT JUST
10 PREMATURE, IT'S RECKLESS. ACTING BEFORE ANY FORMAL FEDERAL
11 DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ALIGNS THIS COUNTY WITH THE TRUMP
12 ADMINISTRATION'S CRUEL AND STIGMATIZING AGENDA, THREATENING TO
13 UNDO DECADES OF HARD-WON PROGRESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV.
14 OUR STAFF, WHOSE EMPLOYMENT DEPENDS ON THESE GRANTS, ARE
15 FACING LAYOFFS. IF THIS WASN'T DRIVEN BY ANTICIPATED FEDERAL
16 CUTS, THEN WHAT HAPPENED INSIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 HEALTH'S BUDGET? THE DHSP OVERCOMMIT TO CONTRACTS IT COULDN'T
18 AFFORD, THE COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN POOR, THE CONSEQUENCES ARE
19 REAL, AND THE SILENCE FROM LEADERSHIP IS UNACCEPTABLE. WE ARE
20 CALLING ON THIS --

21

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

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BERTA
25 GONZALEZ, I'M A COMPTON RESIDENT AND I'M A DAUGHTER OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 IMMIGRANT PARENTS. I ORGANIZE AT THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKER
2 CENTER. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF IMMIGRANTS RLA. RIGHT NOW L.A.
3 COUNTY'S BUDGET IGNORES THE VERY PEOPLE WHO MAKE THIS PLACE
4 RUN, IMMIGRANT WORKERS. CAR WASH WORKERS, MOSTLY UNDOCUMENTED,
5 FACE DAILY WAGE THEFT, CHEMICAL BURNS, AND BRUTAL CONDITIONS
6 WHILE THIS COUNTRY COUNT, SORRY, WHILE THIS COUNTY FUNDS
7 PROFIT OVER PEOPLE. WE REFUSE TO BE INVISIBLE. WE DEMAND
8 TRANSFORMATIVE INVESTMENTS, \$12,000,000 TO EXPAND, BREATHE AND
9 GUARANTEED INCOME FOR UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS, \$2,000,000 TO
10 BUILD A WORKER JUSTICE FUND THAT STOPS EXPLOITATIONS, AND
11 \$20,000,000 TO KEEP IMMIGRANT FAMILIES FROM BEING PUSHED INTO
12 THE STREETS. ANYTHING LESS IS COMPLICIT INTO THEIR SUFFERING.
13 IF YOU WON'T STAND WITH US, YOU'RE STANDING WITH THE
14 EXPLOITERS.

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

17
18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AURIA RESINTO AND I AM
19 REPRESENTING IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO EXPRESS
20 DEEP CONCERN OVER THE L.A. COUNTY RECOMMENDED BUDGET, A BUDGET
21 THAT FAILS TO REFLECT THE REALITY OF NEEDS OF IMMIGRANTS IN
22 THIS COUNTY. WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH A
23 GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN EXPAND-
24 BRIEF PROGRAM. WE ASK YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING
25 \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP THE 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES THEY



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SUPERVISORS

1 HOUSED. WE ASK YOU TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS WITH
2 \$2,000,000 FOR A NEW WORKER JUSTICE FUND. WE ARE WORKERS,
3 RENTERS, CAREGIVERS, TAXPAYERS, AND NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

6
7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS
8 CRISTOBAL ARJAS WITH TRIAL LATINA COALITION DISTRICT TWO. I'M
9 HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE TGI WELLNESS EQUITY AND CARE
10 INITIATIVE AT \$7,000,000 INVESTMENT IN TGI LEADING AND TGI
11 SERVING COUNTY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND ALSO HIGHLIGHT MY
12 EXPERIENCE WORKING FOR A TGI SERVING ORGANIZATIONS. WE ARE
13 GRATEFUL TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SECURING THE TGI. WE
14 INITIATIVE IN ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT AND HARD WORK WON'T SOON BE
15 FORGOTTEN. YOU HAVE TAKEN THE STEPS TO BREAK THE CYCLE IN
16 INSURANCE AND HAVE IMPROVED THE LIVES OF TGI PEOPLE THROUGHOUT
17 THE COUNTY. SINCERITY, CHRISTA BARAJAS, THANK YOU.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA LUMINA, AND I AM HERE
22 WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES AND WITH FILIPINO WORKERS
23 CENTER. I JUST WANTED TO RAISE THE VOICE AND CONCERN OF
24 IMMIGRANTS. WE WANT TO BE CLEAR RIGHT NOW IMMIGRANTS IN OUR
25 COMMUNITY ARE BEING TARGETED, AND THIS BUDGET DOES NOT MEET



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE MOMENT. WHEN OUR LEADERS STAY SILENT OR FAIL TO ACT, THEY
2 ALLOW THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION TO CONTINUE THEIR HARMFUL
3 AGENDA. WE'RE HERE TO DEMAND THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
4 INCLUDE THE NEEDS OF IMMIGRANTS IN THE FINAL BUDGET. WE ASK
5 YOU TO REINSTATE WHAT? ARIA SAID WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT
6 UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST
7 \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN EXPANDED BREATHE PROGRAM WE ASK YOU
8 TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AND INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP
9 TO 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES STAY HOUSED. AND WE ASK YOU TO
10 PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS WITH 2,000,000 FOR NEW WORKER
11 JUSTICE FUND. IMMIGRANTS ARE NOT INVISIBLE. THANK YOU.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

14
15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AGAIN, HANDS UP LIKE THAT, THAT'S
16 PERFECT, THANK YOU.

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18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS B.
19 CURIEL, I LIVE IN DISTRICT FIVE AND WORK IN DISTRICT TWO. I
20 WANT TO START BY SAYING THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR THE HISTORIC
21 INVESTMENT INTO OUR TGI COMMUNITY. I KNOW THAT MANY OF MY
22 COLLEAGUES AND OTHER PARTNERS HAVE TALKED ABOUT THE ASSAULT ON
23 PUBLIC FUNDING AND HOW THAT HAS DIRECT TIES TO MARGINALIZED
24 AND VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES LIKE TRANSGENDER FOLKS, I REALLY
25 WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT ONE OF THE CRUCIAL THINGS THAT THE



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1 IMPACTS OF THIS ARE THE LOSS OF JOBS. MANY OF THESE SMALL
2 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS RELY SOLELY ON THIS FUNDING. AND
3 SO, WITH THIS HISTORIC INVESTMENT, I REALLY JUST WANT TO
4 REITERATE, ENVISIONING TGI HEALTH OUTSIDE OF HIV AND OTHER
5 AREAS, RIGHT? SO, THE YES AND. WE HAVE BEEN PIGEONHOLED THERE,
6 AND MANY OF OUR JOBS HAVE BEEN PIGEONHOLED THERE, AND IT'S
7 SUCH A HARMFUL THING THAT'S HAPPENING. SO, THANK YOU, AND
8 LET'S DO HOLISTIC HEALTH FOR TGI COMMUNITIES, THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CHAIR, BYRON JOSE
13 WITH THE TRANS LATINA COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU
14 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR YOUR VOTE AND YOUR
15 COMMENTS AND JOINING SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE REST OF THE
16 BOARD TO ENSURE TRANSPARENCY AROUND MEASURE J FUNDS. WE'RE
17 GLAD THAT THE CEO WAS ABLE TO INCLUDE THE TGIWE AS
18 RECOMMENDATION 14 IN THE YEAR FOUR SPENDING PLAN, BUT WE
19 DEFINITELY LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THIS BOARD UNDER THE
20 LEADERSHIP OF CHAIR BARGER TO ENSURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO
21 EXPAND WHAT A CARE FIRST LOOKS LIKE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,
22 EXPANDING WHAT THAT 10% ALLOCATION LOOKS LIKE. SO THAT WE
23 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES, NOT JUST FOR TRANSGENDER,
24 GENDER-EXPANSIVE, AND INTERSEX COMMUNITIES, BUT ALSO SYSTEM-
25 IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS, AND IN BLACK COMMUNITIES. AND THEN ALSO



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1 WE CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS CARE FOR IMMIGRANTS. WE'RE
2 GLAD THAT OUR IMMIGRANTS, OUR COALITION PARTNERS ARE HERE AS
3 WELL, THAT WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER. THANK YOU BOARD.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE]

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9 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M CECILIE HU. I FEEL VERY HONORED
10 AND PROUD TO BE AN IHSS CAREGIVER. WE ARE ALL GETTING OLDER.
11 ONE DAY SOMEONE YOU LOVE OR EVEN YOU MAY LIVE IN HOME CARE.
12 WHAT KIND OF SYSTEM WILL BE THERE IF WE DON'T INVEST NOW? THE
13 CARE CRISIS IS ALREADY HERE. LET'S NOT WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO
14 LATE. PLEASE SUPPORT A CONTRACT THAT PROTECTS THE FUTURE OF
15 CAREGIVING IN L.A. COUNTY. RAISE OUR WAGES AND KEEP THE CARE
16 NETWORKING STRONG. THANK YOU.

17

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE]

21

22 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
23 CLARA KIM AND I WORK AS AN IHSS CAREGIVER. I KNOW THE COUNTY
24 IS FACING TOUGH BUDGET CHOICES, BUT PLEASE DON'T MAKE THOSE
25 CHOICES ON THE BACKS OF THE LOWEST PAID WORKERS. WE DIDN'T



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1 CAUSE THE CRISIS, BUT WE ARE BEING ASKED TO BEAR THE BURDEN.
2 WE DESERVE BETTER. L.A. CAN AFFORD TO DO THE RIGHT THING FOR
3 CAREGIVERS. PLEASE RAISE AND INCREASE IHSS WAGES AND SUPPORT A
4 CONTRACT THAT INVESTS IN DIGNITY, STABILITY, AND CARE. THANK
5 YOU.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. MY NAME IS CARMEN ROBERTS, AND I
10 PROUDLY SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF SEIU 2015 AND
11 I STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE 290,000 IHSS WORKERS IN THIS
12 COUNTY. ESSENTIAL WORKERS, WOMEN, MOSTLY WOMEN OF COLOR, WHO
13 CARE FOR OUR LOVED ONES AND WHO HOLD UP OUR COMMUNITIES WITH
14 COMMITMENT AND COMPASSION, YET THEY'RE BEING CRUSHED WITH
15 POVERTY WAGES. SO, THIS IS A CRISIS OF CARE, A CRISIS OF
16 EQUITY, AND A TEST OF OUR COUNTY'S VALUES. L.A. COUNTY, PLEASE
17 DO BETTER. WE'RE CALLING ON YOU TO WORK WITH US IN THE PAST TO
18 DELIVER A CONTRACT THAT RAISES WAGES, PROTECTS DIGNITY, AND
19 INVESTS IN A CARE SYSTEM THAT MORE THAN A QUARTER MILLION OF
20 YOUR CONSTITUENTS DEPEND ON. NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT WITH
21 COURAGE AND COMPASSION. LET'S SHOW L.A. COUNTY VALUES
22 CAREGIVING BY VALUING CAREGIVERS. JOIN US IN MAKING QUALITY
23 WAGES FOR QUALITY HOME CARE A REALITY. THANK YOU.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS



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1 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DEVON JAMES,
2 DAVID GOMEZ, DEHANI MORALES, DIANA HERNANDEZ, DIANA ESCAMILLA,
3 DIEGO TENGA, ELISE TEJADA, ALVA GARCIA, ERICA MOSLEY, ERIC
4 GARCIA, ESTRELLA CARANDANG, FAYE AMADUK, FERNANDO FERNANDO,
5 GLORIA ARITA, GRAYSON AMADEO, GUADALUPE CASTELLANO, HADIR
6 AZAB, IRMA LOPEZ, ITZRI FLORES, AND JACQUELINE JUNG. WE WILL
7 NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE SPEAKERS. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE
8 FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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10 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JASON BALISTA. YOUR LINE
11 IS OPEN. IF YOU ARE MUTED, PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY
12 INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JASON BALISTA WITH THE THAI COMMUNITY
15 DEVELOPMENT CENTER OR THAI CHC, PART OF THE IMMIGRANT RLA
16 COALITION. WE'RE ALSO PROUD RECIPIENTS OF THE CAPACITY
17 STRENGTHENING GRANTS FROM THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS.
18 WITH ITS SUPPORT, WE PROVIDE A CASE MANAGEMENT OF OVER 3,600
19 IMMIGRANTS AND HELD MORE THAN 6,300 ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS, BUT
20 THIS FUNDING IS SET TO EXPIRE IN 2025. MEANWHILE, THE COUNTY
21 CEO'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET MEANS IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES BEHIND.
22 IMMIGRANTS ARE WORKERS, RENTERS, AND NEIGHBORS, AND YET NONE
23 OF THE YEAR-LIST PRIORITIES WERE INCLUDED. WE URGE THE BOARD
24 TO ASK, RENEW THE \$5,000,000 CAPACITY GRANT, INVEST
25 \$12,000,000 IN THE EXPANDED BREED PROGRAM FOR UNDOCUMENTED



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1 SENIORS, FUNDING \$1,000,000 TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AMONG
2 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES, AND \$3,000,000 TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT
3 WORKERS. IMMIGRANTS ARE NOT INVISIBLE. PLEASE INCLUDE US IN
4 THE FINAL BUDGET. THANK YOU.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

7
8 **MODERATOR:** LENA MALLETTE. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** LENA MALLETTE WITH THE CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND, LAY
11 UP AND REIMAGINE L.A. SEEING THAT THE CURRENT BUDGETARY
12 PRESSURES ARE UNPRECEDENTED, THE WAY THIS COUNTY RESPONDS MUST
13 ALSO BE UNPRECEDENTED. IF THIS BOARD WISHES TO AVOID FURTHER
14 SETTLEMENT PAYOUTS SUCH AS THE \$4,000,000 THAT WERE JUST
15 APPROVED, YOU ABSOLUTELY MUST CEASE PRIORITIZING THE FUNDING
16 OF THE DEPARTMENTS THAT PREDICTABLY PERPETUATE THAT HARM
17 AGAINST BLACK, BROWN, TRANS, IMMIGRANT, AND UNHOUSED
18 COMMUNITIES WHO CONTINUE TO FACE DEADLY OUTCOMES. THESE
19 DEPARTMENTS ARE LETHAL FOR THE HUMAN BEINGS WHO ARE
20 RESPONSIBLE FOR REPRESENTING AND MORE IMPORTANTLY KEEPING
21 ALIVE. THEY ARE LETHAL FOR THIS COUNTY'S BUDGET. START WITH
22 THE REMOVAL AND REDISTRIBUTION OF SHARE FROM PROBATION
23 VACANCIES. WHAT WE NEED IS A CARE FIRST BUDGET. WHAT WE NEED
24 ESPECIALLY IN OUR IMMEDIATE CRISIS IS A REAL INVESTMENT IN
25 COMMUNITY PLACEMENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE LANGUISHING INSIDE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 PROBATION CAGES. WHAT WE NEED IS THE DECARCERATION OF GGE
2 YOUTH WHO SHOULD BE WELCOMED HOME WITH ADEQUATELY FUNDED CARE
3 TEAMS. WHAT WE NEEDED MORE FUNDING FOR OUR TGI SIBLINGS,
4 EXPANSION OF CFCI FUNDING, PROTECTIONS AND SAFETY NETS FOR OUR
5 BELOVED IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AND HOMES FOR OUR UNHOUSED
6 NEIGHBORS. WE DON'T NEED MORE ACADEMIES OR RECRUITMENT --

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HOUSING NAVIGATORS --

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12 **MODERATOR:** RUBEN CHAVEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS RUBEN CHAVEZ I AM FROM
15 THE COMMUNITY OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES I AM ALSO AN IHSS CAREGIVER
16 AND PROUD SEIU 2015 MEMBER. I WANTED TO GO AHEAD AND JUST
17 COMMENT ON A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT WE HEARD TODAY, SUCH AS THE
18 COST OF NOT BEING PROACTIVE AND TAKING PREVENTIVE, CORRECTIVE
19 ACTION EARLY ON IN THE STAGE OF THESE ACTIONS THAT ARE BEING,
20 OR EVENTS THAT ARE UNFOLDING. WE HEARD ABOUT THE SETTLEMENTS
21 AND THE COST OF THE FIRES IN L.A., BUT IT'S NOT LIKE THE
22 COMMUNITY NEVER SPOKE OUT BEFORE. THESE THINGS HAPPENED AND
23 THE COST GOT TO THIS HIGH. IT'S PROBABLY WHY MOST OF US ARE
24 HERE TODAY. WE WANT TO GO AHEAD AND PREVENT SUCH A HIGH COST
25 IN THE FUTURE TO ALL THESE THINGS THAT ARE UNFOLDING AND I



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 KNOW THAT IT'S NOT THE COUNTY'S FAULT THAT PRESIDENT TRUMP'S
2 ADMINISTRATION AND REPUBLICANS ARE TAKING SOME OF THESE BUDGET
3 CUTS TO FUND --

4

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THE CORPORATION.

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9 **MODERATOR:** CYNTHIA BENNETT. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA BABBAGE WITH THE LAMO
12 ACTION COMMITTEE AND I'M COMMENTING TODAY ON PARK EQUITY. TWO
13 PARKS, INCLUDING WISHING TREE PARK, WHICH THE COMMUNITY FOUGHT
14 FOR OVER 20 YEARS TO BUILD HAVE NOT BEEN FUNDED WITH PROPER
15 PROGRAMMING AND THIS IS A VERY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY. OUR PARK
16 IS OUR RECREATION, OUR OPEN AIR AND OUR COMMUNITY MEETING
17 SPACE. IT IS ALL WE HAVE. PLEASE FUND ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS LIKE
18 BASEBALL AND SENIOR EXERCISE AT OUR PARK. MAYBE WE COULD
19 RECEIVE FUNDING FROM OTHER PARKS WITH A SLIGHT DECREASE IN
20 THEIR PROGRAMS. EQUITY SHARING. A LITTLE LESS FOR SOME, BUT WE
21 ALL HAVE ENOUGH. THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT. AND AGAIN, I DO
22 APPRECIATE THE STRESS THAT THE COUNTY'S UNDER AND THANK YOU SO
23 MUCH FOR LETTING US HAVE A VOICE TODAY.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **MODERATOR:** NATASHA, WHEN SOME OF YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY
3 BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO EVERYBODY, MY NAME IS NATASHA WASEEM. AS A
6 MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES FOOD POLICY COUNCIL TEAM AND A
7 PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCHER STUDYING FOOD INSECURITY IN LOS
8 ANGELES, I'M COMMITTED TO BUILDING A FOOD SYSTEM THAT IS
9 HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE, SUSTAINABLE, AND ACCESSIBLE. A RECENT
10 STATE OF GOOD FOOD IN L.A. REPORT HIGHLIGHTED THAT CHRONIC
11 CONDITIONS SUCH AS DIABETES AND HIGH CHOLESTEROL ARE STILL
12 PREVALENT OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS. ADDITIONALLY, A 2024 USC
13 DORNSIFE STUDY FOUND THAT 25% OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS
14 ARE EXPERIENCING FOOD INSECURITY WITH RATES SOARING TO 41%
15 AMONG LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS. I'M HERE URGING FOR STRONGER
16 INVESTMENTS AND HEALTHY FOOD ACCESS, NUTRITION EQUITY, AND
17 STRONGER INVESTMENT IN OUR SAFETY NET PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON
20 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DEVON JAMES AND I WORK FOR
23 CHAPTER TWO, AND WE ARE A PART OF THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE
24 INTERVENTION COALITION. I URGED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
25 INCREASE FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION, OR CVI,



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 TO HELP BUILD LASTING SAFETY. WHILE THE CITY INVESTS
2 \$40,000,000 IN GRID, THE COUNTY CONTRIBUTES ONLY ABOUT
3 \$7,000,000 TO THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE. AND AFTER
4 HEARING THAT THERE WAS A \$3,000,000 UNSPENT OF THE COUNTY
5 BUDGET, THAT JUST \$300,000,000, THAT JUST SEEMS ABSURD. WITH
6 THE FEDERAL CUTS AND CITY INITIATIVES SHORTFALLS THE COUNTY
7 MUST DO MORE TO SUPPORT THIS LIFE SAVING WORK. INVESTING IN
8 CVI SUPPORTS VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, REDUCES TRAUMA, LOWERS
9 CALLS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND CUTS HOSPITAL COSTS. CVI WORKS.
10 PLEASE INVEST IN IT.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'M THE DIAMOND PIECE, MS. LORETTA LORRAINE FROM
15 TRANS LATINA. MS. HOLLY, THANK YOU SO MUCH. I WEAR YOUR PIN
16 WITH PRIDE. AND I NEED ONE FROM YOU, LINDSEY. YES, GIRL,
17 BECAUSE I LOVE WEARING MY FAVORITE GIRLS AND YOU IN THE
18 MIDDLE. YOU KNOW I LOVE Y'ALL. I'M HERE TO MAKE SURE THAT
19 Y'ALL MAKE THIS MONEY COME THROUGH FOR THE TRANSGENDER
20 COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE GOT TO STAY ALIVE, MY DEAR. A LOT OF US
21 ARE BEING MURDERED AND BEING PROBLEMS. WE HAVE PROBLEMS IN OUR
22 COMMUNITY RIGHT NOW. AND THIS MAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE WON'T
23 TAKE SO MUCH, HE CRAZY ANYWAY. BUT ANYWAY, LET'S NOT TALK
24 ABOUT HIM, LET'S TALK ABOUT WHAT WE GOTTA DO OVER HERE IN L.A.
25 TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY MUCH BETTER AND L.A. MUCH BETTER. AND I



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SUPERVISORS

1 KNOW YOU CAN DO IT, MS. HOLLY, BUT I'M GOING TO BE WAITING ON
2 YOUR PEN, OKAY? AND YOU TOO. I LOVE YOU AND I WILL WEAR WITH
3 PRIDE.

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

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7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS HADIR
8 AZAB, AND I'M THE POLICY COORDINATOR AT THE COUNCIL ON
9 AMERICAN-ISLAMIC RELATIONS, GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER, AND
10 I'M ALSO HERE REPRESENTING IMMIGRANTS, RLA, ALSO A MEMBER OF
11 THE FIRST DISTRICT FOR SOLIS'S OFFICE. WE'RE HERE TO JUST
12 REITERATE OUR CONCERNS. THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IS COMPLETELY
13 FORGOTTEN IN THE BUDGET. WE ASK FOR HOUSING, WE ASK FOR PEER
14 ASSISTANCE, AND FOR THE L.A. COUNTY TO REMEMBER THAT
15 IMMIGRANTS ARE THE BACKBONE OF THIS COMMUNITY. AND IF THE
16 FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION FORGETS THEM, L.A. COUNTY CANNOT. AND
17 AS WE CONTINUE AND REMEMBER THE CONTRIBUTION THAT IMMIGRANTS
18 MAKE WITH OVER \$90,000,000,000 IN TAXES, FEDERALLY, STATE, AND
19 LOCALLY IN 2022, WE MUST REMEMBER TO RECOMMIT TO THEM AND TO
20 FUND OUR COMMUNITIES AND TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT LOST AND
21 THEY ARE NOT FORGOTTEN BETWEEN THE LINES. AND WE WILL CONTINUE
22 TO MEET WITH YOU. WE WILL CONTINUE TO SPEAK WITH YOU UNTIL
23 IMMIGRANTS ARE INCLUDED. THANK YOU.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS GRAYSON AMADEO. I AM HERE TO EXTEND
3 GRATITUDE FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING EQUITY IN OUR TGI
4 COMMUNITY AND YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE TGIWE INITIATIVE,
5 A POWERFUL STEP TOWARDS UPLIFTING TGI PEOPLE, ENSURING WE HAVE
6 ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND RESOURCES. YOUR SUPPORT
7 REFLECTS A DEEP COMMITMENT TO UNDERSTANDING THE CHALLENGES
8 FACED BY MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES AND DEDICATION TO AMPLIFYING
9 THE VOICES TOO OFTEN SILENCED. I BELIEVE THAT TOGETHER WE CAN.
10 AND TOGETHER WE ARE PAVING THE WAY FOR MORE INCLUSIVE LOS
11 ANGELES, ONE WHERE EVERYONE CAN THRIVE. THANK YOU FOR
12 LISTENING TO OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US AND FOR
13 STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH US.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS DIANA SCAMIA AND I'VE
18 CALLED L.A. COUNTY MY HOME SINCE I MIGRATED TO THE UNITED
19 STATES. IN 2017, I WAS WORKING AT A DINER IN THE COUNTY. I
20 WORKED FOR A WHOLE MONTH WITHOUT PAY. AND THE OWNER JUSTIFIED
21 IT BECAUSE HE KNEW THAT WE WERE ALL IMMIGRANTS. IF I, AN
22 IMMIGRANT THAT SPEAKS ENGLISH AND HAS A WORK PERMIT COULD TAKE
23 ADVANTAGE OF, ALL IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE VULNERABLE TO
24 VIOLATIONS, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS CURRENT ADMINISTRATION,
25 WHICH IS WHY I'M CALLING ON L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS WITH A \$2,000,000 FOR A NEW
2 WORKER JUSTICE FUND THAT WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT TO ALL WORKERS
3 EXPERIENCING WAGE AND THEFT RETALIATION. ADDITIONALLY, THIS
4 WOULD BE A TIME THAT WE INCREASE AND NOT DECREASE RESOURCES
5 FOR THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, WHICH IS WHY I'M ALSO ASKING THE
6 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO REPRESENT L.A. BY
7 \$6,000,000 SO THAT VULNERABLE FAMILIES CAN HAVE ACCESS TO
8 LEGAL SERVICES, THANK YOU.

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ESTRELLA CARANDANG
13 AND I'M HERE WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES AND FILIPINO
14 WORKERS CENTER. WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS
15 WITH A GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN
16 EXPANDED BRIEF PROGRAM. WE ASK YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY
17 INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP TO 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES
18 STAY HOUSED. WE ASK YOU TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND
19 ALLOCATE \$3,000,000 TO OLE ENFORCEMENT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS FAYE OMAN-DAK AND I'M HERE WITH
24 IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES AND PWC. WE ASK YOU TO PROTECT
25 IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND ALLOCATE \$3,000,000 TO OLE ENFORCEMENT.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **THANK YOU.**

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS GLORIA ARITA, AND I'M HERE WITH
6 IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES AND PWC. I WANT TO EXPRESS DEEP
7 CONCERN OVER THE L.A. COUNTY CEO RECOMMENDED BUDGET, A BUDGET
8 THAT FAILS TO REFLECT THE REALITY AND NEEDS OF IMMIGRANTS IN
9 THE COUNTY. NOT A SINGLE ONE OF IRLA PRIORITIES THAT INCLUDED
10 DESPITE THE FACT THAT IMMIGRANTS ARE AN ESSENTIAL PART OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE WORKERS, RENTERS, CAREGIVERS,
12 TAXPAYERS, AND NEIGHBORS, YET ONCE AGAIN WE ARE OVERLOOKED. WE
13 ASK YOU TO SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH A GUARANTEED
14 INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 LOANS AND EXPANDED BREATHE
15 PROGRAM. WE ASK YOU --

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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19 **SPEAKER:** WE ASK YOU TO --

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

24

25 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DALIA HERNANDEZ



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND I AM A SINGLE MOTHER. I LIVE WITH MY SON HERE IN THE
2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE CENTRO OF
3 JORNADEROS OR CENTER OF DAY LABORERS FROM CARESEN FOR SINCE
4 LAST YEAR. I HAD AN EXPERIENCE LAST YEAR WHERE THEY
5 DISCONTINUED MY MEDI-CAL AND I HAD DIFFICULTIES TO REESTABLISH
6 MY MEDI-CAL AND OTHER CHANGES THAT ALSO PREVENTED ME FROM
7 PROVIDING MEDICATION TO MY SON. THIS IS THE REASON THAT I'M
8 HERE TODAY TO ASK THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO HAVE PERSONNEL
9 THAT SPEAK SPANISH TO BE ABLE TO HELP US WITH DOCUMENTS AND
10 INFORMATION AS WELL AS ONLINE. AND ALSO, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK
11 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO ALSO INVEST \$20,000,000 TO BE
12 ABLE TO EXPAND THE FUND OF ASSISTANCE OR HOUSING ASSISTANCE,
13 THE FHSP FUND, TO INCLUDE THE IMMIGRANTS THAT DO NOT QUALIFY
14 FOR ASSISTANCE, LIVING ASSISTANCE. THANK YOU.

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

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18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS FERNANDO FERNANDO. I'M WITH
19 THE PWC, AND WE ARE HERE, IMMIGRANT ARE LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO
20 EXPRESS MY CONCERN OVER THE L.A. CEO SUPERVISOR BUDGET AND
21 FAILED TO REFLECT THE REALITY AND NEEDS OF IMMIGRANT IN THIS
22 COUNTY. NOT A SINGLE ONE-IRA PRIORITIES ARE INCLUDED DESPITE
23 THE FACT THAT IMMIGRANT ARE ESSENTIAL PART OF LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY. WE ARE A WORKER, RENTER, CAREGIVER, TAXPAYER,
25 NEIGHBORS. ONCE AGAIN, WE ARE OVERLOOKED. LET'S BE CLEAR NOW,



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SUPERVISORS

1 IMMIGRANTS IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE BEING TARGETED. AND THIS
2 BUDGET DOESN'T MEET AT THE MOMENT. OUR LEADERS STAY SILENT AND
3 FAILED TO ACT, AND THEY ALLOW THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION TO
4 CONTINUE THEIR --

5

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

7

8 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS GUADALUPE
11 CASTELLANOS AND I'M A DAY LABORER. I'M 65 YEARS OLD AND I'VE
12 WORKED IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SINCE THE '80S, WHICH
13 MEANS THAT'S 30 YEARS. I AM HERE TO ASK FOR A CREATION OF A
14 POSSIBLE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FOR IMMIGRANTS OF ADVANCED
15 AGE. SO AS AN IMMIGRANT, I DON'T QUALIFY FOR. I'M SORRY. NO,
16 PUT IT IN --

17

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ITZIRA FLORES.
21 [SPEAKER SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

22

23 **INTERPRETER:** AND I AM HERE TO REQUEST THAT YOU SUPPORT THE
24 IMMIGRANTS AND ALSO THE SENIORS. TO THE SENIOR PEOPLE AND ALSO
25 THE UNDOCUMENTED AND FOR YOU TO INVEST \$12,000,000. FOR THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 BREATHE PROGRAM. FOR YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS FOR THE
2 IMMIGRANTS. WITH A NEW FUND. TO HELP THE WORKERS AND PLEASE
3 INCLUDE OUR PRIORITIES IN YOUR BUDGET, WE WOULD REALLY
4 APPRECIATE THAT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SOMETIMES IT'S
5 VERY DIFFICULT FOR US IN THE COMMUNITY. SOMETIMES WE HAVE TO
6 STOP PAYING ONE THING OR ANOTHER BECAUSE OF ILLNESSES OR
7 MEDICINE. SO, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR US IN THE COMMUNITY. I
8 ASK THAT YOU PLEASE LISTEN TO US, THAT YOU PLEASE HELP AND
9 THAT GOD DOES TOUCH YOUR HEARTS THAT YOU LISTEN TO US. THANK
10 YOU.

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

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14 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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16 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS
17 IRMA DELGADO, I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO THE INCLUDE OUR
18 PRIORITIES AND THAT YOU SUPPORT OUR IMMIGRANTS AND THOSE
19 SENIOR CITIZENS THAT ARE UNDOCUMENTED BY GUARANTEEING AND
20 INVESTING \$12,000,000 INTO A PROGRAM BREATHE. THAT YOU PREVENT
21 HOMELESSNESS TO THOSE IMMIGRANT WORKERS BY FUNDING THEIR
22 LABORERS AS WELL AS INCLUDING OUR PRIORITIES IN YOUR LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY BUDGET. THANK YOU.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS



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SUPERVISORS

1 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JASON BATISTA,
2 JASON BOXER, JASON NAVA, ROMAN, JAVIER MARTINEZ, JENNIFER
3 ROBLES CRUZ, JARED KOVIT, JESUS HERRERA, JESUS MAYHE,
4 JACQUELINE ZELLAYA, JOHANNA WALLACE, JONATHAN BRAZIL, JUAN
5 HERNANDEZ, JULIET WANG, KAY BALBOA, KELLY SELDARVAR, KEVIN
6 ORANGE, LEA ZELDAR-ORDAZ, LILANI REED, LILIA DELGADO, LIZA
7 CABALAS, LORETTA LORRAINE, LUPITA MARTINEZ, LYDIA CARONDIN,
8 MARIA MARAZ, AND MARTIN MACHON. WE WILL NOW RETURN TO REMOTE
9 SPEAKERS. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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11 **MODERATOR:** ERIC PREVIN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
12 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
13 BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** OKAY THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO TAKE A MINUTE. THANK YOU
16 THE BOARD SUPERVISORS. YOU KNOW AS WE GET SO MUCH OF THE WHAT
17 YOU BUILT OVER THE DECADES LET ME SUGGEST THAT WE PRIORITIZE
18 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR THE BUDGET TEAM BECAUSE WITH ALL DUE
19 RESPECT THIS IS NOT A BUDGET THIS IS LIKE A EULOGY. I MEAN SO
20 MUCH MONEY GOES OUT EVERY YEAR AND YET THE CRISIS SORT OF LIES
21 THERE, GRAVE AND DISABLED. AND NOW WE'RE CUTTING PUBLIC
22 HEALTH. I MEAN, THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHAT'S HAPPENING, WE'RE
23 GOING TO DO SOME OF THE PLANNING FOR US. BUT RICK CARUSO WANTS
24 THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO BE HELPFUL. BUT HONESTLY, DIDN'T THEY
25 JUST GO TO BULGARIA WITH THE FILM INDUSTRY? I MEAN, AND I LOVE



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SUPERVISORS

1 BULGARIA, OBVIOUSLY THE CONSOLE IS TERRIFIC, HE OR SHE, BUT
2 THE PRIVATE SECTOR IS LIKE BRANDING THE PHOENIX WITH SNOOP
3 DOGGY DOG WHILE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE LAID OFF --

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **MODERATOR:** THE NEXT SPEAKER IS SIR BAILEY. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
8 PLEASE GO AHEAD. PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. DID YOU SAY SIR BAILEY?

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YES YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** OH, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. IF I'M ABLE TO START NOW I
17 APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU, LORD. THIS IS SIR BAILEY. I'M
18 WALKING IN THE STREETS OF ALTADENA. THANK YOU. THAT'S THE
19 FIFTH DISTRICT. THANK YOU, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
20 THANK YOU, COMMUNITY. EVERYBODY THAT'S OUT THERE, EVERYBODY
21 THAT'S ON THE LINE, LAY UP, I HOPE YOU'RE TALKING TO EVERY
22 ORGANIZATION, LETTING THEM KNOW WHAT YOU DO IS WHAT THEY DO.
23 YESTERDAY, WE ALMOST LAUGHED WHEN THE WHALES CAME BETWEEN THE
24 TWO IMPORTANT MEASURES, TRANSPARENCY AND KEEPING OUR WORD TO
25 COMMUNITY FIRST, CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INITIATIVE. HERE'S THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 OPPORTUNITY. WE'RE CALLING TO OPPOSE THE BUDGET, BUT WE'RE
2 CALLING TO CELEBRATE YOU TO TRULY CELEBRATE YOUR WORK, OUR
3 WORK. HONORABLE HORVATH SAID, YOU KNOW, CIVICS MAYBE ISN'T
4 LEARNED IN THE SCHOOLS CORRECTLY. AND WE'RE ALL IN THIS
5 TOGETHER.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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9 **SPEAKER:** WE HEARD THE FIVE GENTLEMEN, EVERYBODY.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** THE NEXT SPEAKER IS DEJA TAYLOR. YOUR LINE IS OPEN,
12 YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DEJA THOMAS WITH THE
15 L.A. FOOD POLICY COUNCIL. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT TWO, AND
16 I'M SPEAKING TO ENCOURAGE THE SUPPORTING OF RESILIENT LOCAL
17 FOOD SYSTEMS IN THIS BUDGET, FROM THE LAND TO THE FARMERS,
18 GOOD FOOD BUSINESSES, ALL THE WAY TO OUR MOST FOOD AND
19 NUTRITION INSECURE ANGELENOS. AS A GRANDDAUGHTER OF
20 SHARECROPPERS WHO MOVED TO FOOD DESERTS, I KNOW THE IMPACTS OF
21 A LACK OF INTENTION AND INVESTMENT. IN THAT VEIN, I APPLAUD
22 THE CONTINUATION OF FUNDING FOR SENIOR MEALS, BUT I DO EXPRESS
23 CONCERN ABOUT THE UNDERFUNDING OF DPH'S CHRONIC DISEASE
24 PREVENTION, DEO'S OFFICE OF RESILIENCE AND COMMUNITY
25 ENGAGEMENT, AND DPS'S BASIC INCOME PILOT. OUR STATE OF THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 FOOD REPORT SHOWS THAT DIET-RELATED DISEASES ARE ON THE RISE,
2 AND WE'VE PROVEN THAT SUPPORTING LOCAL FOOD BUSINESSES,
3 FARMERS, AND INCREASING LOCAL PURCHASING POWER ACROSS THE
4 SUPPLY CHAIN IS A RELIABLE SOLUTION. PROPERLY FUNDING DPH,
5 DEO, AND DPS ARE STEPS TO ENSURE WE REMAIN RESILIENT IN THE
6 FACE OF FEDERAL ATTACKS. THANK YOU.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** NATHAN SANDEEP, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HI, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS NATHAN SEDEEP. I'M A
13 VOLUNTEER CASEWORKER WITH PROJECT HEP C CONNECT. TODAY, I'M
14 HERE TO ASK THE BOARD TO EXPAND THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
15 PUBLIC HEALTH'S HEPATITIS C BUDGET BY \$441,000 TO FUND TWO
16 FULL-TIME STAFF POSITIONS FOCUSED ON LINKAGE TO CURE. RIGHT
17 NOW, MORE THAN TWO OUT OF THREE PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY WITH HEP
18 C REMAIN UNTREATED, EVEN THOUGH IT'S COMPLETELY CURABLE. I
19 WORK WITH MANY OF THEM INCLUDING PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED OR
20 STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MANY OF THEM FALL THROUGH
21 THE CRACKS BECAUSE WE LACK THE STAFF TO KEEP THEM CONNECTED TO
22 CARE. THIS ISN'T JUST A MEDICAL ISSUE IT'S A PUBLIC HEALTH
23 ISSUE. PEOPLE WITH UNTREATED HEP C CAN UNKNOWINGLY TRANSMIT
24 THE VIRUS TO OTHERS, INCLUDING FAMILY, PARTNERS, AND EMERGENCY
25 RESPONDERS. THAT IS WHY I SUPPORT THE MOTION PASSED BACK IN



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 JUNE 2024, WHICH DIRECTED THE DPH AND THE CEO TO EXPAND
2 STAFFING FOR HEP-C, BUT TO MOVE FORWARD, WE NEED DEDICATED
3 COUNTY FUNDING NOW. WE HAVE THE CURE FOR HEP C. LET'S MAKE
4 SURE WE HAVE THE STAFF TO DELIVER IT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

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8 **MODERATOR:** MEGAN CASTILLO. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

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12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MEGAN CASTILLA. I'M WITH THE
13 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. AND OVER 200 OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS AT
14 THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION SHOWED UP TO GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT
15 TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN THE BUDGET WAS FIRST RELEASED AND OUR
16 SENTIMENTS REMAIN THE SAME. WE ARE ASKING FOR YOU TO FUND A
17 CARE-FIRST BUDGET. WE WANT TO UNDERSCORE THE COST OF THE
18 CONTINUED BUDGET FAILURES. EVERY DEPARTMENT IS ABSORBING CUTS,
19 YET OVER 1,300,000,000 IN URGENT NEEDS REMAIN IGNORED. THE
20 COUNTY BLAMES DECLINING PROPERTY TAXES, BUT WE HAVE GOT TO BE
21 HONEST, THIS IS NOT ONLY AN ECONOMIC PROBLEM, THIS IS A MORAL
22 ONE. THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO FUND BLOATED HARMFUL SYSTEMS LIKE
23 THE SHARES IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, DESPITE THE LOOMING
24 BUDGETS, DEADLY OUTCOMES, AND DECADES OF LAWSUITS, NEARLY
25 4,000,000,000 TO LAW ENFORCEMENT WHILE OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS



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1 DIE WHILE YOUTH SIT IN CAGES INSTEAD OF OUR CLASSROOMS. THAT'S
2 NOT BUDGETING, THAT'S PORTRAYAL. SO, LET'S BE CLEAR, BALANCING
3 THE BUDGET ON THE BACKS OF BLACK, BROWN, POOR, MIGRANT, TGI,
4 AND MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES IS NOT THE ISSUE.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON
7 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

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9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JAVIER MARTINEZ AND I'M
10 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT HORIZON GOLD. WE ARE A COMMUNITY
11 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AGENCY THAT SERVICES THE L.A. HARBOR
12 AREA COMMUNITIES. LIKE MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE FIELD OF
13 COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION, WE AS A LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE
14 INTERVENTION COALITION ARE HERE TO HUMBLY ASK FOR INCREASE IN
15 DIRECT FUNDING AND DIRECT FUNDING TO THE COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
16 INTERVENTION. TO COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. WHY IS THIS
17 SO IMPORTANT TO US? ALTHOUGH WE HAVE MADE STRONG STRIDES
18 TOWARDS SAVING LIVES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND THE
19 DATA PROVES THE DIFFERENCE THAT COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
20 INTERVENTION MAKES IN COMMUNITIES IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE. THE
21 IMPORTANCE OF THE CONTINUOUS AND DIRECT FUNDING AND INVESTMENT
22 FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIFICALLY TO THE WORK OF CVI
23 AND AGENCIES THAT DO THE SPECIFIC WORK PLAYS A BIG ROLE IN
24 SAVING MORE LIVES AND IMPACTING THE LIVES OF THOSE WHO ARE
25 LIVING LIFESTYLES THAT NOT ONLY PUT THEIR LIVES AT RISK, BUT



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1 ALSO HURT COMMUNITIES AS A WHOLE. AN INVESTMENT IN CBI IS AN
2 INVESTMENT IN THE LIVES OF OUR ALLEY COUNTY RESIDENTS.

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

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6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
7 JOCELYN SALAYA. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE AFRICAN
8 COALITION AND IMMIGRANTS RLA. I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO
9 PRIORITIZE MIGRANT COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THE MOST VULNERABLE
10 IN THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. IT'S ALARMING THAT THE PROPOSED BUDGET
11 LACKS DEDICATED FUNDING FOR IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS IN A TIME
12 WHEN THESE COMMUNITIES ARE BEING INTENTIONALLY TARGETED BY
13 FEDERAL POLICIES. WE ASK YOU TO BE JUST AS INTENTIONAL IN
14 PROTECTING THEM, ENSURING CONTINUED ACCESS TO CRITICAL
15 SERVICES. AT THE AFRICAN COALITION, WE'VE HELPED MANY
16 UNDOCUMENTED INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING BLACK MIGRANTS ACCESSING
17 LEGAL AID, HOUSING, HEALTHCARE, FOOD AND EDUCATION. THESE
18 AREN'T EXTRAS. THEY'RE ESSENTIALS. AS YOU FINALIZE THE BUDGET,
19 I URGE YOU TO ENSURE UNDOCUMENTED POPULATIONS ARE NOT LEFT
20 BEHIND, PARTICULARLY BLACK UNDOCUMENTED POPULATIONS.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M LEILANI REED, AN IHSS CAREGIVER. I WANT TO
25 TALK ABOUT THE MATH. WHEN L.A. COUNTY INVESTS JUST \$0.17 FOR



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1 EVERY DOLLAR IN IHSS WAGES, THE REST IS MATCHED BY THE STATE
2 AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THAT'S A SMART RETURN. MORE CARE,
3 MORE JOBS, MORE STABILITY. A RAISE FOR CAREGIVERS ISN'T JUST
4 THE RIGHT THING. IT'S THE PHYSICALLY RESPONSIBLE THING,
5 ESPECIALLY IN THESE TIMES. LET'S NOT LEAVE MONEY ON THE TABLE.
6 PLEASE SUPPORT A CONTRACT THAT CAPTURE ALL AVAILABLE FUNDS TO
7 SUPPORT CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 LEAH ZEIDLER-ADAZ, AND I AM A COMMUNITY LAWYER WITH URBAN
13 PEACE INSTITUTE AND THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE INTERVENTION
14 COALITION. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO ASK THE BOARD TO INCREASE
15 FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS THROUGH
16 THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE. AS I HEARD YOU DISCUSS IN
17 YOUR OPENING REMARKS, THE COUNTY IS FACING UNPRECEDENTED
18 STRESS AND BUDGET CHALLENGES. THEREFORE, THE FUNDS WE HAVE
19 MUST BE ALLOCATED TO DEPARTMENTS, PROGRAMS, AND INITIATIVES
20 THAT ARE DATA PROVEN AND COST EFFECTIVE. CVI WORKERS HAVE BEEN
21 PREVENTING VIOLENCE AND RESPONDING TO CRISES IN OUR
22 COMMUNITIES FOR DECADES. STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT THEIR WORK
23 HAS SAVED THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES OVER \$150,000,000 OVER THE
24 LAST TWO YEARS. THEIR WORK ALSO SAVES LIVES. IN THE CITY OF
25 L.A., HOMICIDES AND SHOOTINGS DROP 50% IN COMMUNITIES HEAVILY



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1 RESOURCED WITH FUNDING TO CVI PROGRAMS. THE POTENTIAL OF
2 COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION TO CREATE SAFETY IN
3 COMMUNITIES AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO POLICE INCARCERATION AND --

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
8 LUPITA MARTINEZ, POLICY ADVOCATE WITH CHIRLA AND THE
9 IMMIGRANTS RLA COALITION. BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY I STAND BEFORE
10 YOU AS A PROUD DAUGHTER OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS. MY PARENTS
11 IMMIGRATED FROM AGUASCALIENTES, MEXICO, AND WE CURRENTLY
12 RESIDE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. FOR YEARS, IMMIGRANTS HAVE
13 BRAVELY RAISED THEIR VOICES TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE GAPS IN
14 COMMUNITY SERVICES. THEIR TENACITY AND SPIRIT HAVE BEEN
15 INVALUABLE AS THEY HAVE FOUGHT FOR ACCESS TO COUNTY RESOURCES,
16 AND YET WE CONTINUE TO BE A SECOND THOUGHT IN THE COUNTY'S
17 BUDGET. AS WE FIGHT, AS WE NAVIGATE THE CURRENT FEDERAL
18 CLIMATE WITH INTIMIDATION, HATE, AND ATTACKS, IT IS CRUCIAL
19 THAT WE PROTECT AND SERVE IMMIGRANT ANGELENOS. AND WE CAN DO
20 THAT BY INVESTING \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AND EXPAND THE BREATHE
21 PROGRAM FOR UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS, \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP TO
22 8,000 IMMIGRANTS TO STAY HOUSED AS WE CONTINUE TO FACE LAYOFFS
23 AND RENT INCREASES AND WE HUMBLY REQUEST TO CONTINUE FUNDING
24 TO OIA'S CASE --



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

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HEY, JESUS CHUY HERRERA, CHAMPION SERVICE I'M WITH
4 THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE INTERVENTION COALITION. I'M HERE
5 TODAY TO ASK FOR INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
6 INTERVENTION THROUGH TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVES. I URGE YOU
7 TO INCREASE THE FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION SO
8 WE CAN CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, THIS
9 DATE, MAY 7, 2002, I CHANGED MY LIFE AROUND. I STOPPED USING
10 DRUGS, STOPPED DOING VIOLENT THINGS. TAKE MY LORD AND SAVIOR,
11 JESUS CHRIST, FOR THAT. BUT, YOU KNOW, WE'RE OUT HERE. WE'RE
12 TRYING TO SAVE LIVES. NO MORE BROTHERS CRYING, NO MORE BABIES
13 DYING. OKAY, THANK YOU.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS CALLIE. I REPRESENT CHAPTER
18 TWO. I URGE YOU TO INCREASE THE FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
19 INTERVENTION SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES. WE'RE HERE
20 TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES WHO
21 NEED US AND ARE FACING SIGNIFICANT BARRIERS, POVERTY,
22 VIOLENCE, UNSTABLE HOUSING, EDUCATION, AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES.
23 THEY NEED OUR HELP AND WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT WITH THE FUNDING.
24 EVERY DAY WE WORK WITH THE YOUTH WHO ARE DOING THEIR BEST TO
25 SURVIVE. ENVIRONMENTS FILLED WITH TRAUMA, HARDSHIP. THEY LIVE



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1 IN AREAS PLAGUED WITH VIOLENCE. WITHOUT INTERVENTION, THESE
2 YOUNG PEOPLE ARE MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL EXPERIENCE,
3 EVEN WORSE, NONPROFITS LIKE OURS ARE OFTEN THE ONLY SAFETY NET
4 THAT THEY HAVE AVAILABLE. THESE ARE LIVES, CHANGING SERVICES.
5 I KNOW BECAUSE I WAS ONE OF THOSE WHEN I WAS A CHILD. WHEN YOU
6 FUND NONPROFITS, YOU FUND REAL CHANGE. THAT FUNDING HELPS PAY
7 FOR THINGS SUCH AS SCHOOL CLOTHES SO TEENS AREN'T EMBARRASSED
8 TO GO TO SCHOOL. IT COVERS SO MANY THINGS TO SUPPORT POSITIVE
9 --

10

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOE KAVETT AND I'M A
14 DIRECTOR OF CHAPTER TWO, A COMMUNITY INTERVENTION
15 ORGANIZATION. AND WE'VE BEEN AROUND FOR A WHILE AND APPRECIATE
16 THE FACES THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OVER THE YEARS AND THE
17 PEOPLE THAT KNOW THE DIFFERENCE FROM WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE
18 COMMUNITY TO THE CHANGE PRE-PANDEMIC TO AFTER AND THE VIOLENCE
19 AND HOW WE CURB IT AND THE SAVING OF THE COST OF THE MURDEROUS
20 THINGS THAT GO ON IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE PEOPLE THAT WE WORK
21 FOR AND SENDING OUR PEOPLE FROM SCHOOL TO COLLEGE INSTEAD OF
22 SCHOOL TO PRISON TO DEATH AND THE KIDS AND THE CHANGE WE HAVE
23 TO HAVE IT YOU HAVE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US IF YOU BELIEVE
24 IN US WE'RE GOING TO GET IT DONE THE PEOPLE THAT WE WORK FOR
25 WANT US TO GET IT DONE AND THEY KNOW WE NEED YOU THE



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1 COMMUNITY.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MARTIN MACHAN AND I'M A
6 CIW WITH CHANGING THE NARRATIVE BY CHAPTER TWO WITH THE LOS
7 ANGELES VIOLENT INTERVENTION COALITION. NOW I'M HERE TODAY
8 ASKING THAT NO CUTS TO THE COUNTY BUDGET BUT TO INCREASE THE
9 COUNTY BUDGET BY CUTTING THE COUNTY BUDGET, SAFETY AND LIVES
10 WILL BE AFFECTED BY THESE, BY THESE CUTS. FAMILIES WILL BE
11 LEFT STARVING AND NO ONE TO ACTUALLY JUMP IN FRONT OF THE
12 VIOLENCE THAT GOES ON IN THESE COMMUNITIES. SO, THE REASON
13 THAT I ASK YOU DO NOT CUT THESE COUNTIES' BUDGETS IN THAT YOU
14 INCREASE THE FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION SO WE
15 CAN CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES, STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND
16 CONTINUE TO BE THE PIECE IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT THEY NEED.
17 THANK YOU.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS JENNIFER ROBLES CRUZ. I'M A PROUD
22 DAUGHTER OF TWO IMMIGRANTS THAT CAME FROM OAXACA. I'M HERE TO
23 THANK YOU. I'M WITH THE ORGANIZATION TRANS LATINA IN COUNTY
24 TEN, AND I'M HERE TO THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE TG WELLNESS
25 EQUALITY CARE INITIATIVE'S \$7,000,000 INVESTMENT AND TGI LED



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1 AND TGI SERVING COMMUNITY. I AM HERE ALSO BECAUSE I AM THE
2 VOICE OF THE UNHEARD MARGINALIZED GROUPS THAT CANNOT SPEAK FOR
3 THEMSELVES AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AND FOR YOUR CONTINUED
4 SUPPORT AND TO INVEST IN US BECAUSE WE ARE IN NEED OF HELP AND
5 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE TRANS LATINA HAS HELPED ME AND HE CONTINUED
6 TO HELP THE UNHEARD VOICES OF THE MARGINALIZED PEOPLE. THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JONATHAN
12 A COMMUNITY HEALTH NAVIGATOR WITH THE TRANS LATINO COALITION
13 AND OUR RESIDENCY DISTRICT EIGHT. I'M HERE TO SPEAK AND THANK
14 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE TGI WELLNESS EQUITY AND CARE
15 INITIATIVE. AT THIS VERY MOMENT, BOTH IMMIGRANTS AND
16 TRANSGENDER, GENDER NONCONFORMING AND INTERSEX PEOPLE ARE
17 BEING ATTACKED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. IF THERE IS NO
18 PUSHBACK OR PROTECTIONS BEING INTRODUCED THIS FISCAL YEAR,
19 THINGS WILL ONLY BE GETTING WORSE FOR THESE COMMUNITIES. IT
20 TAKES THE POWER OF OUR GOVERNMENTAL FORCE TO FIGHT AGAINST THE
21 VITRIOL THAT WILL CONTINUE TO IGNITE MORE HATE CRIMES AND
22 DISSENSION AMONGST LOS ANGELENOS. VERY THANKFUL TO, GRATEFUL
23 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SECURING THE TGIWE INITIATIVE,
24 AND ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT AND HARD WORK WILL NOT SOON BE
25 FORGOTTEN. YOU HAVE TAKEN STEPS TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF ERASURE



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1 AND HAVE IMPROVED THE LIVES OF TGI PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE
2 COUNTY AND THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HOPE THAT
3 YOU CONTINUE TO DO SO AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE INITIATIVES
4 THAT FURTHER PROSPER US FOR THE TGI COMMUNITY. ONCE AGAIN,
5 THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. IT WILL NEVER BE
6 FORGOTTEN. APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU. THANK YOU.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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12 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS JESUS MONGE I AM 64
13 YEARS OLD I'VE BEEN WORKING IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SINCE
14 THE '80S, THAT BEING APPROXIMATELY 30 YEARS. OKAY. AS A LOW-
15 INCOME PERSON \$20 ADDITIONALLY ARE VERY IMPORTANT. MY RENT
16 KEEPS INCREASING AT THE END OF THE MONTH AND I ALSO, I'M LEFT
17 WITH VERY LITTLE MONEY AND I ALSO HAVE OTHER EXPENSES. OKAY. I
18 HAVE AN INJURED KNEE AND I'M ALSO GETTING OLDER. I CAN NO
19 LONGER WORK WITH THE SAME CAPACITY AS WHEN I WAS YOUNGER. AND
20 THIS IS THE REASON THAT WE ARE ASKING THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES TO SUPPORT THOSE SENIOR UNDOCUMENTED INDIVIDUALS WITH
22 A GUARANTEED INVESTMENT WITHIN THE \$12,000,000 TO EXPAND THE
23 BREATHE PROGRAM.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JUAN HERNANDEZ. I'M A
3 RESIDENT AND WORKER IN L.A. COUNTY. I RECEIVE MEDICAL AND IT
4 IS MY ONLY FORM OF ACCESS TO HEALTH INSURANCE. I'M HERE TODAY
5 TO REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE IMPROVE ACCESS TO L.A. COUNTY
6 SERVICES TO IMMIGRANTS BY IMPROVING LANGUAGE ACCESSIBILITY AND
7 GROWING COLLABORATION WITH COMMUNITY NONPROFITS. THROUGH MY
8 INVOLVEMENT WITH CARESEN AS A JORNALERO, I WAS ABLE TO APPLY
9 FOR MY HEALTH CARE COVERAGE WHEN THE ORGANIZATION PARTNERED
10 WITH THE COUNTY AND BROUGHT THE SERVICES TO ME IN A LANGUAGE I
11 CAN UNDERSTAND. ADDITIONALLY, I AM REQUESTING THAT THE COUNTY
12 PUT FINANCIAL RESOURCES INTO REPRESENT L.A. IN THE PAST, I
13 HAVE TRIED TO RECEIVE LEGAL SERVICES FROM NONPROFIT
14 ORGANIZATIONS, BUT I WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN HELP --

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS CABLE BOA. I AM HERE WITH IMMIGRANTS
19 FOR L.A. AND FILIPINO WORKER CENTER. I WANT TO EXPRESS DEEP
20 CONCERN OVER THE L.A. COUNTY CEO'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET, A
21 BUDGET THAT FAILS TO REFLECT THE REALITY AND NEEDS OF
22 IMMIGRANTS IN THIS COUNTY. NOT A SINGLE ONE OF YOU LIST
23 PRIORITIES WAS INCLUDED, DESPITE THE FACT THAT IMMIGRANTS ARE
24 AN ESSENTIAL PART OF L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE WORKERS, RENTERS,
25 CAREGIVERS, TAXPAYERS AND NEIGHBORS. YET ONCE AGAIN, WE ARE



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1 OVERLOOKED. WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH A
2 GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN EXPANDED
3 BREATHE PROGRAM. WE ASK YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY
4 INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP TO 8,000 IMMIGRANTS STAY
5 HOUSED. WE ASK YOU TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND ALLOCATE
6 \$3,000,000 TO ADD ENFORCEMENT CAPACITY TO OLE INCLUDING TEN
7 ADDITIONAL STAFF FOR OUTREACH INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT.
8 WE ARE YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KEVIN NORRIS. I'M ALSO
13 KNOWN AS TWIN. I'M THE CO-FOUNDER OF TPI. I'M HERE AS A PART
14 OF THE L.A. VIOLENCE INTERVENTION COALITION. I'M HERE TODAY TO
15 ASK FOR AN INCREASE IN FUNDING TO COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
16 INTERVENTION THROUGH TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE IN THE
17 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. AND I APPROVE THIS MESSAGE AND I
18 WANT TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS TO HOLLY MITCHELL, HILDA SOLIS
19 AND JANICE HAHN FOR SUPPORTING US SO FAR. THANK YOU.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
22 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MAYA DANIELS,
23 MAL ESCALANTE, MICHAEL VILLALOBOS, MICHAEL FALES, NIA
24 SIGHTMANS, NIA BELTRAN, NIKITA HAN, OSCAR ARAJEDA, PINK NANU,
25 POCO DUNBAR, RANDY MASCURZA, RENEE DAVIS, RICHARD SANDOVAL,



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1 RAYMOND HOSON, ROSA FLORES, ROSA ANDERSON, RUTH CAMILLA, RUTH
2 LEONARD, SHANNON CAMACHO, AND SYLVIA PERALTA. WE WILL NOW
3 RETURN TO TELEPHONIC SPEAKER. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
4 REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE.

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6 **MODERATOR:** KAREN GARCIA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. IF YOU'RE MUTED,
7 PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK DIRECTLY INTO YOUR PHONE. YOU MAY
8 BEGIN.

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10 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS KAREN GARCIA, PRONOUNCE B WITH L.A.
11 DESCENSA AND THE IMAGINE L.A. COALITION AND ALSO A LIFELONG
12 RESIDENT OF SB2. JUST AS YOU ALL HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER
13 THE BUDGET, ANGELENOS'S CONCERN IS TENFOLD WITH RISING RENTS,
14 A RISING COST OF LIVING, AND WE'RE SEEING SO MANY COMMUNITY
15 MEMBERS STRUGGLING TO STAY HOUSED, FED, AND CARED FOR. BUT AT
16 A TIME WHEN THERE ARE BUDGET PRESSURES, THERE ARE SO MANY
17 PRESSURES ON THE BUDGET, WE'RE STILL SEEING INCREASES IN LAW
18 ENFORCEMENT'S ALREADY BLOATED BUDGET. EVERY DEPARTMENT HAS TO
19 CUT 3% OF THEIR BUDGETS BUT SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL GET THE
20 \$5,000,000 INCREASE. MEANWHILE, PROBATION IS SITTING ON OVER A
21 THOUSAND VACANT POSITIONS WHICH IS NOT ONLY WASTEFUL BUT ALSO
22 AN INSULT TO OUR COMMUNITIES. THE \$4,000,000,000 82-19
23 SETTLEMENT COST THAT MAKES FAILURES WITHIN THE PROBATION
24 SYSTEM IS THE COSTLIEST IN COUNTY HISTORY AND TAXPAYERS WILL
25 NOT BE CLICKING THE BILL FOR DECADES OF ABUSE AND COVER-UPS.



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1 AND STILL, SHERIFFS AND PROBATION DEPARTMENTS, THE PRICE CAN
2 EVEN INCREASE--

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

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6 **MODERATOR:** ASA NAYA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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8 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ASA NAYA, CAMPAIGN COORDINATOR AT
9 GENDER JUSTICE L.A., PROUDLY SITUATED IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS AND
10 SERVING THE TRANSGENDER, GENDER-EXPENSIVE, AND INTERSEX
11 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU TO THE BOARD, COUNTY CEO, AND ESPECIALLY
12 TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR PASSING THE HISTORIC TGIWE
13 INITIATIVE. THANKS TO THE TGIWE STATEWIDE MODEL AND OUR
14 PARTNERSHIPS WITH PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, WE'RE ABLE TO
15 DISTRIBUTE THOUSANDS OF MASKS, HUNDREDS OF TESTS, AND FIRE-
16 RELEASE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SUPPLIES, CONTRACT CTI HEALERS
17 AND ARTISTS, AND LEAD-FREE WORKSHOPS, PROVIDE FREE HEALING
18 SERVICES, AND PARTNER WITH PROVIDERS LIKE APIT TO PROVIDE FREE
19 STI HIV TESTING EVERY MONTH TO TEACH THAT COMMUNITIES. PLEASE
20 CONTINUE FINDING THOSE WHO ARE DOING THE JOB OF REACHING THE
21 COMMUNITY YOU CAN TO CARE ABOUT. WE SUPPORT A PEOPLE'S BUDGET
22 THAT SUPPORTS ALL COMMUNITIES ESPECIALLY LED BY IMPACTED
23 VIOLENCE FACING IMMIGRANTS AND UNION WORKERS. THE NATIONAL
24 AGENDA IS MEANT TO HUMANIZE US AND SET US BACK IN TIME. AND IT
25 TAKES A RADICAL VISION, RADICAL LISTENING TO CREATE A BUDGET



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1 THAT SERVES THE PEOPLE'S NEEDS. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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5 **MODERATOR:** DANIELLE RODRIGUEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY
6 BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M SPEAKING IN REGARDS TO MEASURE J AND CFCI
9 FUNDING. MY NAME IS DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, SENIOR MANAGER AT THE
10 SOCIAL IMPACT CENTER WHO LIVES IN DISTRICT ONE. I'M A QUEER
11 MEXICAN AMERICAN ORGANIZER WHO GREW UP IN SOUTHEAST L.A. WHERE
12 MY OWN EXPERIENCES GROWING UP IN A SYSTEM IMPACTED DIVORCED
13 HOUSEHOLD FILLED WITH STIGMA THAT SHAPED MY DEEP APPRECIATION
14 FOR MY COMMUNITY. MY PARENTS WERE BOTH VICTIMS OF THE DRUG WAR
15 AND THEY FELT LIKE THEY DIDN'T HAVE A FUTURE AND THAT STORY IS
16 ECHOED BY MANY OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT WE SERVE TODAY.
17 AS A CURRENT CFCI GRANT AWARDEE, I'M ASKING YOU TO COMMIT TO
18 MAINTAINING THE CRUCIAL CFCI FUNDING, STOP INVESTING IN THE
19 SYSTEMS THAT PERPETUATE TRAUMA AND CONTINUE TO INVEST IN
20 COMPASSIONATE CARE. LET'S CLOSE THESE JAILS AND REINVEST THESE
21 UNSPENT FUNDS INTO RESOURCES THAT UPLIFT AND HEAL. INCREASE
22 THE OVERALL INVESTMENT TO MEASURE J AND CFCI FUNDING OVERALL
23 AT 10% AT THE BARE MINIMUM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.



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2 **MODERATOR:** HELEN EIGENBERG. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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4 **SPEAKER:** HI, HELEN EIGENBERG. I LIVE IN SB3 AND I'M CALLING TO
5 SPEAK ON THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET AND TO DEMAND THAT WE DO
6 BETTER AND THAT OUR PUBLIC DOLLARS TRULY REFLECT THE VALUES OF
7 JUSTICE, CARE, AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. WE NEED TO EXPEDITE
8 THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE UNSPENT CFCI DOLLARS, WHICH WE TALKED
9 ABOUT YESTERDAY. WE NEED TO CUT THE RED TAPE. WE NEED TO
10 INCREASE THE OVERALL INVESTMENT OF METHOD J, WHICH WAS VOTED
11 IN FIVE YEARS AGO, AND THE CFCI FUNDS. WE NEED COMMUNITY
12 PARTICIPATION. FOLKS WHO LIVE IN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE IMPACTED
13 KNOW WHAT THEY NEED AND THEY NEED TO BE AT THE TABLE. AND WE
14 ALSO NEED TO DECARCERATE THE GIRLS AND THE GENDER EXPANSIVE
15 YOUTH. THANK YOU.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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19 **MODERATOR:** ABREU, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** HELLO EVERYONE. MY NAME IS O'REILLY ABREU. ASIDE FROM
22 ADVOCATING FOR THE PEOPLE FOR IHS TO INCREASE INCOME AND ALSO
23 FOR THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FIELD, I'M ALSO CALLING IN TO
24 ADVOCATE FOR URBAN FARMERS. I DO THINK THAT THIS IS A GOOD
25 IDEA THAT WE HAVE AND THAT IT COULD BE BENEFICIAL IN MANY WAYS



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1 ASIDE FROM JUST PROVIDING A SOURCE OF FOOD FOR PEOPLE. IT'S
2 ALSO A WAY TO HAVE PEOPLE LIKE SENIORS IN OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE
3 SOMEWHERE TO ATTEND. MANY OF OUR SENIORS DON'T HAVE ANYWHERE
4 THAT THEY COULD PROVIDE SUPPORT OR THAT THEY COULD GO TO WHERE
5 THEY'RE STILL SEEN. AND I FEEL THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS A
6 WAY TO PROVIDE THEIR INCREASE IN LIKE WHAT THEY DO IN OUR
7 COMMUNITY AND FOR THEM TO ALSO STILL SEEING WITHIN US AND HOW
8 I MENTIONED, THERE'S MANY THINGS THAT ARE INCREASING REGARDING
9 OUR GLOBAL AWARENESS REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENT AND I THINK
10 THIS IS ALSO A PERFECT WAY TO TEACH THE CHILDREN TO TAKE CARE
11 OF NATURE. THANK YOU.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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15 **MODERATOR:** AT THIS TIME THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE.

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE'LL GO BACK TO IN-PERSON
18 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSA ANDREESSEN AND I'M AN
21 IHSS PROVIDER HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. I CARE FOR MY DAUGHTER
22 AMANDA WHO CAN'T GET OUT OF BED WITHOUT HELP, BUT TOO MANY
23 PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE GOING WITHOUT CARE BECAUSE THERE
24 SIMPLY AREN'T ENOUGH OF US. OVER 10,000,000 HOURS OF
25 AUTHORIZED CARE WENT UNUSED LAST YEAR IN L.A. COUNTY. THAT'S



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1 NOT JUST A NUMBER, IT'S SOMEONE'S MOTHER, SOMEONE'S CHILD,
2 SOMEONE ALONE. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MORE CAREGIVERS. PLEASE
3 RAISE OUR WAGES SO WE CAN STAY IN THIS WORK AND MEET THE
4 GROWING NEED. SUPPORT A CONTRACT THAT VALUES CAREGIVERS AND
5 THE PEOPLE WE SERVE. THANK YOU.

6
7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS NIKITA JAIN WITH THE LOS
10 ANGELES FOOD POLICY COUNCIL. I EXPRESS CONCERNS OVER THE
11 MISSING FUNDING FOR URBAN AGRICULTURE IN THIS BUDGET. URBAN
12 AGRICULTURE IS A KEY SOLUTION FOR SOCIAL COHESION, COMMUNITY
13 BUILDING, AND AN ACCESSIBLE SOURCE OF HEALTHY FOOD FOR FOOD
14 INSECURE FAMILIES. ACCORDING TO THE LATEST LOS ANGELES FOOD
15 POLICY COUNCIL STATE OF GOOD FOOD REPORT, DISEASES SUCH AS
16 DIABETES, HYPERTENSION, AND HIGH CHOLESTEROL ARE INCREASING IN
17 MANY POPULATIONS IN L.A. COUNTY. UNSURPRISINGLY, THE RISE OF
18 DIET-RELATED DISEASE IS THE HIGHEST IN FOOD DESERTS. URBAN
19 FARMS LIKE ALMA BACKYARD FARMS WITH LOCATIONS IN COMPTON AND
20 SAN PEDRO ARE MEETING THAT NEED TODAY BY GROWING FRUITS AND
21 VEGETABLES WHERE THESE COMMUNITIES ARE, SERVING APPROXIMATELY
22 500 PEOPLE AT THEIR FARM STAND EVERY OTHER SUNDAY. I BELIEVE
23 THAT THE WORK OF URBAN FARMS ARE THE WORK URBAN FARMS ARE
24 DOING SHOULD BE CLASSIFIED AS ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND BE
25 ABLE TO --



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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4 **SPEAKER:** HELLO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MAYA DANIELS
5 AND I REPRESENT NOT ONLY THE TRANSATINA COALITION, BUT ALSO
6 IMMIGRANTS RLA. I FIRST WANT TO SAY WE ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL TO
7 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SECURING THE TGIWE INITIATIVE, AND
8 ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT AND HARD WORK WILL NOT SOON BE FORGOTTEN.
9 YOU HAVE TAKEN THE STEPS TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF ERASURE AND
10 HAVE IMPROVED THE LIVES OF TGI PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
11 SECONDLY, I AM ALSO STILL GOING TO ADVOCATE, SURPRISE,
12 SURPRISE FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF EARLIEST POLICY PRIORITIES AND
13 ASK YOU TO MEET THE MOMENT THAT WE ARE IN. WHEN THERE IS
14 HATRED AND DISSENT COMING DOWN THE LINE, WE ASK THAT YOU HOLD
15 THE LINE. OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY, ASK, IS FOR THE BOARD TO
16 PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP TO
17 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES STAY HOUSED. SECONDLY, TO SUPPORT
18 UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST IN AN
19 EXPANDED BREATHE PROGRAM. AND LASTLY, TO INVEST IN PROTECTIONS
20 FOR OUR IMMIGRANT WORKERS TO NOT BE EXPLOITED. FREE THE 50.

21

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

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN AND FELLOW
25 INTERVENTION WORKERS. MY NAME IS NAY, I AM FROM THE SOUTH PARK



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1 COMMUNITY. I WORK WITH CHANGING A NARRATIVE BY WAY OF CHAPTER
2 TWO. I'M ALSO HERE WITH THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE INTERVENTION
3 COALITION. JUST HERE TO SAY THAT INTERVENTION DOES WORK AS THE
4 STATISTICS HAVE PROVEN SO. HOMICIDES ARE DOWN NEARLY 50% IN
5 INTERVENTION AREAS BECAUSE OF INTERVENTION WORKERS LIKE MYSELF
6 BOOTS ON THE GROUND IN THE COMMUNITY, PREVENTING THE PROBLEMS
7 BEFORE THEY EVEN START. I WANT TO JUST STRETCH, AND I'M SAYING
8 HEAVILY STRETCH, THAT DEFUNDING INTERVENTION WORKERS WOULD
9 ENSURE UNSAFE STREETS, WOULD INCREASE DEATHS, WHICH COMES WITH
10 FUNERALS, WHICH WOULD ALSO COME WITH BROKEN HOMES AND HIGHER
11 INCARCERATION RATES, WHICH WOULD ULTIMATELY CONTINUE TO
12 GENERATE SOME TRAUMA THAT WE ARE TRYING TO TAKE AWAY. LIKE
13 HILDA SAID EARLIER, 30 YEARS BACK IS WHAT THIS WILL DO FOR
14 INTERVENTION WORKERS, AND WE KNOW HOW IT WAS IN THE '80S, SO
15 LET'S TRY NOT TO DO THAT. THANK YOU.

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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19 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS RENEE DAVIS AND I'M PROUD TO BE AN
20 IHSS CAREGIVER. BUT I'M, BE HONEST. SOMETIMES I DON'T KNOW IF
21 I'LL MAKE MY RENT THIS MONTH. I'VE SKIPPED MEALS. I'VE SKIPPED
22 MY OWN DOCTOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO SAVE MONEY I CARE FOR SOMEONE
23 EVERY DAY, BUT I CAN BARELY CARE FOR MYSELF THIS ISN'T RIGHT.
24 WE ARE ESSENTIAL WORKERS. WE DESERVE TO LIVE WITH DIGNITY JUST
25 LIKE THE PEOPLE WE CARE FOR. PLEASE SUPPORT A CONTRACT THAT



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1 LIFTS US OUT OF POVERTY AND RAISE WAGES NOW. THANK YOU.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
4 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANNA MARTINEZ,
5 AKI VERSOZA, CECILIA MA, DENNIS FITTOSA, IRVINE AYALA, JOSHUA
6 JOSHUA, MARISELLE MARISELLE, PETER BERNAL, SKIP TOWNSEND,
7 TERRY J, THON TON, VALERIE VELASQUEZ, VANESSA MELENDREZ,
8 VICTOR MONTENEGRO, WILLIAM NARON, WILLIAM NARON JR., WULAN
9 HUANG, ZENA TUPAS, YORITZA GONZALEZ, YOSANIA LOPEZ, AND ZANE
10 CARTER. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. NEXT
11 SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS SHANNON CAMACHO AND I'M
14 WITH INCLUSIVE ACTION FOR THE CITY. INCLUSIVE ACTION IS ONE OF
15 THE CO-CHAIR ORGANIZATIONS AS PART OF IMMIGRANTS RLA. AND LAST
16 YEAR WE CONDUCTED COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS WITH
17 ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ACROSS ALL THE FIVE
18 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. THESE SESSIONS REITERATED THE NEED
19 FOR ADDITIONAL COUNTY INVESTMENTS IN PREVENTATIVE HOUSING,
20 ADDRESSING WAGE THEFT, AND THE EXPLOITATION OF IMMIGRANT
21 WORKERS, AS WELL AS STRENGTHENING SAFETY NETS. SINCE EARLY
22 LAST YEAR, WE HAVE MET WITH YOUR BOARD OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS
23 TO HIGHLIGHT THESE NEEDS. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE COUNTY
24 INVESTS IN POLICIES TO PROTECT AND UPLIFT IMMIGRANTS,
25 ESPECIALLY WITH THE INCREASING ANTI-IMMIGRANT ATTACKS FROM THE



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1 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT ARE HAPPENING DAILY. WE UNDERSTAND
2 THAT THE COUNTY HAS A SEA OF PRIORITIES, BUT AS ONE OF THE
3 REGIONS WITH ONE OF THE LARGEST IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS IN THE
4 COUNTRY, WE STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY MUST INCREASE ITS
5 INVESTMENT AND COMMITMENT TO OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. WE
6 THEREFORE ENCOURAGE THE BOARD ESPECIALLY TO SUPPORT OUR
7 HOUSING PROPOSAL TO SUPPORT A \$20,000,000 INVESTMENT TO
8 SUPPORT 8,000 IMMIGRANTS WHO NEED --

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MICHAEL FALES. I'M A CIW
13 WORKER, PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND I'M SPEAKING FROM MY
14 HEART. I DON'T HAVE NO SPEECH. I'M SPEAKING, I'M PUT GROUNDS
15 DOWN, BOOT ZERO. I'M OUT HERE WHERE THE GANG MEMBERS IS AT.
16 EVERY DAY WHEN I WAKE UP TO SAVE A LIFE, FOR SAFE PASSAGE AND
17 EVERYTHING. SO, ANYTHING TO ME, ANY \$5, \$10, ANY KIND OF
18 BUDGET FROM THE GOVERNMENT IS TAKEN AWAY, IT DESTROYS OUR
19 FAMILIES DOWN HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I PRESIDE IN LOS ANGELES MY
20 WHOLE LIFE. I'M JUST DOWN THE STREET FROM WHERE WE'RE STANDING
21 AT RIGHT NOW. AND ANYTHING THAT'S DONE TO THIS, TO HURT THAT,
22 MY COMMUNITY, I LOVE MY COMMUNITY. I LOVE EVERYBODY OUT HERE
23 WITH ME IN THE STREETS THAT WALK THESE STREETS. WHEN MOST
24 PEOPLE SLEEP AT NIGHTTIME, I'M THERE. I'M PICKING UP MY PHONE.
25 I'M DOING THE BEST OF MY ABILITY TO STOP THIS VIOLENCE OUT



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1 HERE. I HAVE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SPANISH COMMUNITY.
2 WE ARE TALKING AND THINGS LIKE THIS WILL DESTROY IT. IT WILL
3 SET US BACK YEARS BACK. WE WANT TO GO --

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MAYA CHAPMAN. THANK YOU FOR HAVING
8 ME AGAIN HERE TODAY. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE IN FRONT OF YOU FOR
9 THE SECOND TIME AND FOR YOU TO HEAR OUR VOICES. I WORK FOR
10 CHAPTER TWO, WHICH IS ALSO A COMMUNITY INTERVENTION
11 ORGANIZATION, BUT ON MY SHIRT REPRESENTS 31 OF US. AND
12 TOGETHER WE SAVE LIVES, AND WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES.
13 WE WERE SAVING LIVES AND WE WAS MAKING \$10,000 LESS THAN THIS
14 WHEN MY BOSS WAS MAKING, LIKE HE SAID, \$150 EVERY MONTH OR
15 SOMETHING LIKE THAT. SO, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE JUST HERE
16 JUST TO HAVE YOU GUYS TO SUPPORT US TO CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES.
17 NO DISREGARD TO OUR POLICE OFFICERS BECAUSE WE NEED THEM AS
18 WELL, BUT WE ARE ALSO IN OUR COMMUNITIES WITHOUT GUNS, WITHOUT
19 BULLETPROOF VESTS AND ALL THAT. SO, YOU KNOW, WE WANT TO
20 CONTINUE TO HELP RAISE OUR OWN CHILDREN BECAUSE THEY TRUST US
21 MORE THAN THEY TRUST THE COPS, UNFORTUNATELY. BUT GUESS WHAT?
22 WE'RE HERE AND WE SUPPORT AND Y'ALL AND WE JUST NEED Y'ALL TO
23 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY. AND I WANT
24 TO JUST SAY THANK YOU FROM ALL THE CBO'S. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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3 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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5 **INTERPRETER:** MY NAME IS SILVIA PERALTA. I LIVE IN HAWTHORNE
6 FOR SIX YEARS NOW, AND I'VE HELPED THIS ECONOMY GROW AS I SEE
7 IT EXPLOIT ME. I WORK IN EL CLEAN CAR WASH WORKER CENTER AND I
8 AM A MEMBER OF IRLA, A COALITION WITH A 100+ ORGANIZATIONS AND
9 WE DEMAND REAL POWER FOR OUR COMMUNITIES OF IMMIGRANTS. IT
10 HURTS ME TO SEE ALL OF THESE RESOURCES THAT ARE PROMISED TO US
11 WHEN PRACTICALLY WE DON'T EVEN REACH THEM. IT'S ENOUGH. WE
12 REFUSE TO BE INVISIBLE WE DEMAND TRANSFORMATION WITH THIS
13 BUDGET \$12,000,000 FOR EXPANDING BRIEF AND GUARANTEE A BASIC
14 WAGE FOR THOSE UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS. \$2,000,000 SO THAT WE CAN
15 FINALIZE THAT, SO THAT WE CAN FUND LABOR JUSTICE AND WE CAN
16 CUT OUT EXPLOITATION. \$20,000,000 SO THAT WE CAN LEAVE OUR
17 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES WITHOUT GOING OUT ON THE STREETS --

18

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

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22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS REIMOND HUSSEIN. I AM A COMMUNITY
23 ORGANIZER WITH SOUTH ASIAN NETWORK. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF THE
24 SECOND DISTRICT, HOLLY MITCHELL, LITTLE BANGLADESH, WHO
25 REPRESENT. I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE AND THANK YOU ALL FOR



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1 YOUR TIME. I WANT TO DRAW NOTICE TO THE FACT THAT THE NEW
2 BUDGET DOESN'T REALLY INCLUDE PROTECTIONS AND CONSIDERATION
3 FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES THAT HAVE LONG BEEN
4 THE BACKBONE OF THIS COUNTRY. AND IN PARTICULAR IN 2022, WE
5 HAD A \$90,000,000,000 GENERATED TO OUR ECONOMY BY IMMIGRANTS.
6 SO, IN LIGHT OF THAT, WE WANT TO SUPPORT THREE PROPOSITIONS
7 FOR THE BUDGET, ONE BEING SUPPORTING UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH
8 A GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN
9 EXPANDED BREATHE PROGRAM, PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING
10 \$20,000,000 AND TO HELP UP TO 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES STAY
11 HOUSED, AND LASTLY, PROTECT THE IMMIGRANT WORKERS WITH
12 \$2,000,000 FOR A NEW WORKER JUSTICE FUND. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR
13 TIME AND I HOPE YOU ALL THE BEST. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RUTH CAMILIA AND I SERVE
18 AS A LEGAL ANALYST WITH THE TRANS-LATINO COALITION, A TGI-
19 SERVING AND LED ORGANIZATION BASED IN DISTRICT TWO. I'M HERE
20 IN COMMUNITY AND IN SOLIDARITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND UPLIFT THE
21 TGI WEE INITIATIVE, A HISTORIC INVESTMENT IN THE LEADERSHIP,
22 RESILIENCE, AND DIGNITY OF TRANS, GENDER EXPANSIVE, AND
23 INTERSEX PEOPLE THAT YOU MADE POSSIBLE. THANK YOU. AS SOMEONE
24 WHO WORKS ALONGSIDE TGI MIGRANTS NAVIGATING THE IMMIGRATION
25 SYSTEM, I WITNESSED THE URGENT NEED FOR SERVICES THAT TRULY



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1 AFFIRM AND PROTECT FROM SAFE HOUSING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS THESE
2 AREN'T LUXURIES. THEY ARE NECESSITIES FOR SURVIVAL AND WELL-
3 BEING YOU'VE GIFTED US A LOVE LETTER TO OUR COMMUNITY A
4 RECOGNITION THAT WE DESERVE TO LIVE AND THRIVE AND HEAL WITH
5 DIGNITY. WHEN TGI PEOPLE LEAD, OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
6 TRANSFORMED. THANK YOU FOR CONTINUING TO INVEST IN OUR LIVES
7 AND FUTURES. WE APPRECIATE YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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11 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'M VALERIA VELASQUEZ, AND I'M WITH THE L.A. FOOD
12 POLICY COUNCIL. I ECHO MY COLLEAGUES' PRIOR URGINGS FOR YOU TO
13 SUPPORT A JUST FOOD SYSTEM FOR ALL MEMBERS OF OUR HUMAN FAMILY
14 IN THIS ROOM AND ACROSS L.A. I AM ALSO A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
15 DISTRICT FIVE. I AM WORRIED ABOUT THE EATON WILDFIRE RECOVERY,
16 PARTICULARLY THE NEGLECT OF FOOD BUSINESSES, MANY OWNED BY
17 WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR. PUBLIC WORKS COULD SUBJECT PROPERTY
18 OWNERS TO LIENS IF DEBRIS CLEANUP IS NOT COMPLETED AT THEIR
19 EXPENSE, WHICH CAN COST HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS BY
20 JUNE 30TH. MOST OWNERS CANNOT PAY FOR THIS. THEY FALL IN
21 BETWEEN THE CRACKS WITH NO FEMA SUPPORT AND LITTLE GRANT
22 FUNDING. THIS WILL CREATE A DOMINO EFFECT, ESPECIALLY FOR
23 OWNER AND LESSEE FOOD BUSINESSES WHO RUN ON RAZOR THIN
24 MARGINS, EVEN WHEN LIFE IS NORMAL. THE ALTADENA SMALL BUSINESS
25 COMMUNITY NEEDS HELP WITH DEBRIS REMOVAL, RELOCATION,



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1 COACHING, AND ADVISING. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO USE YOUR
2 CREATIVITY TO FIND SUPPORT AND RESOURCES AT NO EXPENSE TO
3 PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO RECONSIDER --

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS ANA MARTINEZ. I AM HERE WITH IMMIGRANTS
8 ARE LOS ANGELES AND CHIRLA THE COALITION FOR HUMAN IMMIGRANTS
9 RIGHT. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY DEEP CONCERN ABOUT THIS BUDGET
10 RECOMMENDED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CEO. NOT A SINGLE ONE OF
11 IRLA'S PRIORITIES WAS INCLUDED, EVEN THOUGH IMMIGRANTS ARE AN
12 ESSENTIAL PART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE WORKERS, TENANTS,
13 CAREGIVER, TAXPAYERS, AND NEIGHBORS. WE HAVE MORE THAN
14 \$97,000,000 IN TAXES AT THE LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LEVELS.
15 WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIOR WITH A GUARANTEE
16 INCOME AND INVEST \$12,000,000 TO EXPAND THE BREATHE PROGRAM.
17 WE ASK YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY \$20,000,000 TO HELP --

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS CECILY MA WITH CHIRLA'S HUMANITARIAN
22 DEPARTMENT. SINCE JUNE 2024, CHIRLA HAS PARTICIPATED IN OIA'S
23 CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, THROUGH WHICH WE'VE PROVIDED CRUCIAL
24 SERVICES TO NEWCOMERS AS THEY WORK TO MAKE LOS ANGELES THEIR
25 HOME. THIS HAS ALLOWED US TO EXPAND OUR SCOPE OF WORK TO



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1 INCLUDE CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE TRAUMA INFORMED CASE MANAGEMENT
2 SERVICES, INCLUDING BENEFITS ENROLLMENT, JOB READINESS, SCHOOL
3 ENROLLMENT, MEDICAL NAVIGATION, CULTURAL ORIENTATION, HEALTH
4 AND WELLNESS PROGRAMMING, AS WELL AS DIRECT CONNECTIONS TO OUR
5 LEGAL TEAM FOR PRO SE LEGAL SERVICES, TO NAME A FEW. TO DATE,
6 THIS PROGRAM HAS SERVED 933 INDIVIDUALS FROM 21 COUNTRIES
7 SPEAKING 25 DIFFERENT LANGUAGES, WITH 342 OF THEM BEING
8 CHILDREN. GIVEN THE UNCERTAINTIES IMMIGRANTS FACE TODAY,
9 ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE SEEKING ASYLUM, THESE SERVICES ARE MORE
10 IMPORTANT THAN EVER. WE REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT FOR ADDITIONAL
11 FUNDING TO HELP US WELCOME NEWCOMERS WITH DIGNITY AND
12 DEMONSTRATE THAT L.A. STANDS WITH IMMIGRANTS. THANK YOU.

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

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16 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS PETER BERNAL. I AM A COMMUNITY
17 INTERVENTION WORKER WITH TOBERMAN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER OUT IN
18 THE HARBOR AREA. CIW AS A COMMUNITY INTERVENTION WORKER IS A
19 GLORIFIED TERM FOR WHO I REALLY AM. I AM A GANG
20 INTERVENTIONIST. MY DAY IN AND DAY OUT RESPONSIBILITIES
21 INVOLVE VISITING SOME OF THE HARDEST HIT COMMUNITIES IN THE
22 HARBOR AREA, BROKERING PEACE AGREEMENTS, PLUS A LITANY OF
23 OTHER THINGS THAT I DON'T GET PAID FOR SUCH AS MENTAL HEALTH
24 SERVICES, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION, HOMELESS SUPPORT,
25 AND SO MANY SO MUCH MORE. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TODAY TO



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1 JANICE HAHN FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE IN THE HARBOR
2 AREA. ALSO, TO HOLLY MITCHELL, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES
3 YOU PRESENT IN YOUR COMMUNITY AT YOUTH SERVICE, PARTICULARLY
4 GIVING ME A SPACE TO OPERATE YOUTH ROUNDTABLES AT YOUR OFFICE
5 IN LENNOX. WE KNOW YOU GUYS DO THE WORK AND HAVE SMART
6 DECISIONS. WE'RE ASKING HERE TODAY TO JUST BE LEFT WHOLE. WE
7 HAVE BROAD SHOULDERS. WE DO THE WORKDAY IN AND DAY OUT, AS
8 TOUGH AS IT IS, AND WE CAN PERSEVERE IF WE'RE LEFT-HAULED.
9 THANK YOU.

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

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS YARITZA GONZALEZ, AND I'M
14 HERE WITH CARESCEN, THE CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER AND
15 IMMIGRANTS RLA, A COALITION, TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN OVER THE
16 RECOMMENDED BUDGET THAT FAILS TO REFLECT THE NEEDS OF THE
17 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. AS A LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDER, CARESCEN
18 SUPPORTS THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY THROUGH PROGRAMS LIKE
19 REPRESENT L.A., WHICH FUNDS CRITICAL LEGAL SERVICES. IT IS
20 CRUCIAL THAT THE COUNTY OF L.A. INCREASE FUNDING FOR REPRESENT
21 L.A. TO 6,000,000 TO MEET THE INCREASED DEMAND FOR LEGAL
22 SERVICES. IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT DURING THIS TIME WHEN
23 IMMIGRANTS CONTINUE TO FACE THREATS OF MASS DEPORTATIONS FROM
24 THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION. MOREOVER, NOT A SINGLE ONE OF
25 IRLA'S PRIORITIES WAS INCLUDED, EVEN THOUGH IMMIGRANTS ARE AN



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1 ESSENTIAL PART OF L.A. COUNTY. WHEN OUR LEADERS STAY SILENT OR
2 FAIL TO ACT, THEY ALLOW THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION TO CONTINUE
3 THEIR HARMFUL AGENDA. THEREFORE, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT
4 UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH A GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST
5 \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN EXPANDED BREATHE PROGRAM, PROTECT
6 IMMIGRANT WORKERS WITH \$2,000,000 FOR A NEW WORKERS JUSTICE
7 FUND AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP
8 UP THE FAMILY --

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

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12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD MY NAME IS DENNIS FATOSA AND I
13 WANT TO SAY THAT THE SO-CALLED LEANER BUDGET LOOKS MORE LIKE
14 POLITICAL THEATER THAN FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. YOU'RE ADDING
15 \$1,000,000,000 FOR MEASURE A FOR HOMELESSNESS, BUT LET'S BE
16 HONEST. L.A. HAS SPENT NEARLY \$6,000,000,000 IN THE LAST FIVE
17 YEARS. ENCAMPMENTS KEEP GROWING, PARKS OVERRUN, AND PUBLIC
18 SAFETY IS DECLINING. THERE'S NO AUDIT, NO OUTCOMES, NO
19 TRANSPARENCY. YOU'RE ALLOCATING NEARLY \$300,000,000 TO CARE
20 FIRST, BUT THERE'S NO EVIDENCE IT WORKS. CRIME IS RISING,
21 POLICE IS UNDERSTAFFED, AND YOU'RE NOW PUSHING TO
22 DECRIMINALIZE MORE BEHAVIOR WITH NO ACCOUNTABILITY. I'VE HEARD
23 CALLS FOR MORE SPENDING ON IMMIGRANTS. WELL, I AM AN IMMIGRANT
24 TOO AND I'M SAYING IT'S TIME TO PUT AMERICAN CITIZENS AND
25 LEGAL IMMIGRANTS HERE FIRST PRIORITIZE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS OUR



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1 SAFETY AND WORKING FAMILIES BEFORE FUNDING FAILED WOKE
2 PROGRAMS AND BLOATED BUREAUCRACY THIS ISN'T A BUDGET. IT'S A
3 POLITICAL THEATER ANGELENOS ARE DONE PAYING MORE AND GETTING
4 LESS. THANK YOU, BOARD.

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

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8 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE]

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10 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I AM WU
11 LIANGHUANG. I AM PROUD OF MYSELF AS AN IHS CARE WORKER. I WORK
12 TWO JOBS AND SOMETIMES EVEN THREE. I FEEL REALLY EXHAUSTED,
13 BUT I CAN'T AFFORD TO CUT BACK. GROCERIES, GAS, AND RENT ARE
14 JUST TOO EXPENSIVE. WE ARE ALL DEDICATED TO OUR WORK, BUT WE
15 SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WEAR OURSELVES OUT JUST TO SURVIVE. PLEASE
16 SUPPORT OUR CONTRACT NEGOTIATION SO THAT CARE WORK CAN BE
17 SUSTAINABLE. RAISE OUR WAGES SO WE CAN CONTINUE DOING THE WORK
18 WE LOVE WITHOUT HAVING TO SACRIFICE EVERYTHING. THANK YOU.

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

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22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO BOARD. MY NAME IS VANESSA MELENDREZ AND I'M
23 WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES, AS WELL AS THE FILIPINO
24 WORKERS CENTER. FIRST OFF, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO
25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE BOARD FOR



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1 YOUR REPLA FUNDING. I'M ALSO HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE L.A.
2 COUNTY CEO'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET, A BUDGET THAT LEAVES ALL OF
3 YOUR LESS PRIORITIES AND NEEDS OUT. IMMIGRANTS MAKE UP ONE-
4 THIRD OF L.A.'S POPULATION AND CONTRARY TO COMMON BELIEF AND A
5 NOT-SO-GREAT COMMENT I HEARD YESTERDAY AT THE OTHER MEETING.
6 IMMIGRANTS ACTUALLY DO PAY TAXES. THEY DO PAY INTO THE SYSTEM.
7 SO, THESE ARE OUR TOP PRIORITIES. OUR TOP PRIORITY NUMBER ONE
8 IS WE ASK YOU TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING \$20,000,000
9 TO HELP 8,000 IMMIGRANTS STAY HOUSE. WE ASK YOU TO SUPPORT
10 UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH GUARANTEED INCOME IN THE BREATHE
11 PROGRAM AND WE ASK TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT WORKERS BY ALLOCATING
12 \$3,000,000 TO ADD ENFORCEMENT CAPACITY TO OLE. THANK YOU.

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14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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16 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE. MY NAME IS WILLIAM NARRAG
17 AND I'M HERE WITH THE FILIPINO WORKER CENTER IN IMMIGRANTS FOR
18 LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO EXPRESS DEEP CONCERN OVER THE L.A.
19 COUNTY CEO'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET, A BUDGET THAT FAILS TO
20 REFLECT THE REALITY AND NEEDS OF IMMIGRANTS IN THIS COUNTY.
21 NOT A SINGLE ONE OF IRLA'S PRIORITIES WAS INCLUDED, DESPITE
22 THE FACT THAT IMMIGRANTS ARE AN ESSENTIAL PART OF LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY. WE ARE WORKERS, RENTERS, CAREGIVERS, TAXPAYERS, AND
24 NEIGHBORS, YET ONCE AGAIN, WE ARE OVERLOOKED. WE ASK YOU TO
25 SUPPORT UNDOCUMENTED SENIORS WITH GUARANTEED INCOME AND INVEST



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1 \$12,000,000 TO LAUNCH AN EXPANDED BREATHE PROGRAM. WE ASK YOU
2 TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS BY INVESTING \$20,000,000 TO HELP UP TO
3 8,000 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES STAY HOUSED. IMMIGRANTS ARE NOT
4 INVISIBLE. WE ARE YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

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8 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS IRVINE AYALA. I'M A
9 RESIDENT OF PALMDALE, AND I'M HERE PRESENTING SALVA TOGETHER
10 WITH OUR PARTNERS, IMMIGRANTS RLA. FOR FAR TOO LONG, THE
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY HAS BEEN FORGOTTEN. OUR FAMILIES ARE
12 STRUGGLING TO PAY RENT, TO ACCESS HEALTHY FOOD, AND TO RECEIVE
13 MENTAL HEALTH CARE. THIS ISN'T ABOUT CHARITY, THIS IS ABOUT
14 JUSTICE. WE'RE CALLING FOR REAL INVESTMENT TO PREVENT
15 EVICTIONS, ENSURE ACCESS TO FOOD, EXPAND MENTAL HEALTH
16 SERVICES FOR YOUTH, SENIORS, AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THE
17 RESOURCES EXIST AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY DESERVES THE SAME
18 RESPECT AND SUPPORT AS EVERY OTHER PART OF THE COUNTY. THANK
19 YOU.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JANI CARTER. I SERVE AS AN
24 EXPERIENCED TRUTH PHILANTHROPIST, CASE MANAGER AND COMMUNITY
25 INTERVENTION WORKER FOR CHAPTER TWO, CHANGING THE NARRATIVE.



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1 I'M ALSO A PROUD MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES VIOLENCE
2 INTERVENTION COALITION. I'M ASKING YOU TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR
3 COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION THROUGH THE TRAUMA PREVENTION
4 INITIATIVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. HERE AT CHAPTER TWO, WE HAVE
5 DEMONSTRATED SIGNIFICANT EFFECTIVENESS IN REDUCING VIOLENCE
6 AND PROMOTING COMMUNITY SAFETY. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTH
7 LOS ANGELES, EXPERIENCED MANY OF WHAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
8 STILL LIVING IN, POVERTY, VIOLENCE, AND LACK OF OPPORTUNITY.
9 HOWEVER, I WENT TO SCHOOL, I STUDIED THE SYSTEMS, AND I'VE
10 COME BACK NOT TO ESCAPE THE STRUGGLE, BUT TO HELP TRANSFORM
11 IT. IN ADDITION, THIS FUNDING, THE SUPPORT, IT IS NOT ABOUT
12 PROGRAMS, IT'S ABOUT DIGNITY. IT'S ABOUT LOOKING SOMEONE IN
13 THE EYE AND SAYING, YOU MATTER, YOUR LIFE HAS VALUE, YOU
14 DESERVE HEALING, AND YOU DESERVE A FUTURE. IN ADDITION, THESE
15 FUNDS ALLOW US TO HELP FAMILIES STAY IN HOUSE, PROVIDE MENTAL
16 HEALTH CARE TO PEOPLE CARRYING TRAUMA FOR GENERATIONS,
17 OFFERING FOOD AND ESSENTIALS TO THOSE WITH NOTHING LEFT. IN
18 ADDITION, GIVING OUR YOUTH A PATHWAY FROM VIOLENCE AND TOURIST
19 PURPOSE. HAVE A BLESSED DAY.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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25 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE. MY NAME IS JOSUE RUBIO



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1 AND I AM HERE WITH THE ORGANIZATION SALVA FROM THE CITY OF
2 PALMDALE. WE ARE HERE BECAUSE WE WANT SENIORS TO BE INCLUDED
3 IN THE BUDGET. AND ALSO, THAT YOU INCLUDE FOOD PROGRAMS. AND
4 ALSO, TO PROGRAMS TO HELP WITH RENT AND WITH MENTAL HEALTH
5 THAT IN THESE MOMENTS IS EXTREMELY NEEDED WITH OUR IMMIGRANT
6 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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10 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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12 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARISELA GOMEZ AND I
13 REPRESENT THE SALVA ORGANIZATION FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY. THANK
14 YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO BE HERE, TO BE ABLE TO COME AND SPEAK
15 SO THAT YOU CAN COVER ALL OF THE NEEDED RESOURCES IN THE
16 ANTELOPE VALLEY. A LOT OF FAMILIES IN OUR AREA ARE GOING
17 THROUGH MANY DIFFICULTIES TO BE ABLE TO PAY RENT. AND ALSO,
18 THEY HAVE DIFFICULTIES TO BE ABLE TO BUY THEIR NEEDS, THEIR
19 BASIC NEEDS, FOOD. AND IT'S ALSO EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO BE
20 ABLE TO HELP FAMILIES WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. WE ASK THAT
21 YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OUR HISPANIC COMMUNITY SO THAT THEY
22 DON'T CONTINUE TO BE IGNORED. AND WE ALSO ASK THAT YOU PLEASE
23 ASSIGN SPECIFIC FUNDS TO PAY RENT. AND AFFORDABLE FOOD
24 PROGRAMS. AND ALSO, TO HAVE SERVICES FOR MENTAL HEALTH IN THE
25 COMMUNITY, ALSO INCLUDING THAT THEY HAVE BILINGUAL PEOPLE TO



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1 ASSIST.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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5 **SPEAKER:** HI AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE. I'M AKI SORIANO
6 VERSOZA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER.
7 ALSO A PROUD COMMISSION OF THE L.A. COMMISSION FOR WOMEN,
8 APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND A CO-CHAIR OF IMMIGRANTS ARE
9 L.A. AND WHEN I DO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR ALL OF THE
10 PROGRAMS THAT DO SUPPORT IMMIGRANTS, THE REPLA FUNDS, AND AT
11 THIS MOMENT WE ARE AT A VERY SPECIFIC TIME WHERE IMMIGRANTS
12 ARE EVEN MORE VULNERABLE AND TARGETED BY THE FEDERAL
13 GOVERNMENT. AND THAT TARGETING IS GOING TO IMPACT SO MANY
14 DIFFERENT FAMILIES, WITH ONE IN THREE ANGELENOS WHO ARE
15 IMMIGRANTS OR PART OF AN IMMIGRANT FAMILY. SO, WE ARE REALLY
16 URGING THAT LIKE HOUSING, OUR DEMAND FOR HOUSING, \$20,000,000
17 TO KEEP 8,000 FAMILIES HOUSED IS SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE
18 PRIORITIZED, AS WELL AS A STRONG OLE OFFICE THAT PROTECTS --

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20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE ARE NO MORE
21 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK ALL THE
24 SPEAKERS, PUBLIC SPEAKERS THAT CAME AND THOSE THAT CALLED ON
25 THE LINE TODAY. AND THERE WERE A LOT OF POINTS MADE. I DO WANT



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1 TO CLARIFY FOR SOME OF THE FOLKS IN THE AUDIENCE THERE ARE
2 IMMIGRANTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEASURE A FUNDING FOR HOUSING
3 SERVICES.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THEY CAN BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS MONEY. OKAY,
8 SO I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT, I'LL SAY IT IN ENGLISH. IMMIGRANTS
9 ARE ELIGIBLE THROUGH MEASURE A FOR HOUSING SERVICES. THE
10 IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. PRIORITIES WERE ALSO INCLUDED IN OUR
11 BUDGET, INCLUDING REPLA. THERE WAS \$5,500,000 SET ASIDE FOR
12 THAT. THERE'S ALSO A GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM IN MEASURE A IN
13 THE BUDGET FOR SENIORS, ESPECIALLY FOR IMMIGRANTS. SO, YOU
14 NEED TO KNOW THAT AND I HOPE YOU'LL SPREAD THAT NEWS TO THE
15 REST OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, MADAM CHAIR, CAN I SAY
18 SOMETHING?

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND THERE IS NO IMMIGRATION REQUIREMENT. SO,
21 I THINK THERE MAY BE A FALSE NARRATIVE OUT THERE. SO, IF
22 PEOPLE NEED CLARIFICATION, THEY CAN CERTAINLY CONTACT OUR
23 OFFICE OR THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. YES, SUPERVISOR.

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANT TO
5 AGAIN, THANK EVERYONE WHO CAME TODAY. JUST SITTING HERE
6 LISTENING TO EVERY ASPECT OF OUR COUNTY'S FAMILY, THE HOME
7 HEALTHCARE WORKERS, IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. AND THEIR NEEDS AND
8 WANTS, AND THEIR NEEDS AND WANTS. LISTENING TO THE GANG
9 INTERVENTION WORKERS, I MEAN, I THINK THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE
10 IN L.A. COUNTY THAT DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE
11 NIGHT, WE HAVE PEOPLE OUT THERE RISKING THEIR OWN LIVES TO
12 KEEP PEACE ON THE STREETS AND SAVE LIVES. IT'S AMAZING WHAT
13 EVERYONE TALKS ABOUT THAT THEY DO IN THEIR OWN LIFE. AND THE
14 THEME FOR ME WAS THEY LOVE DOING WHAT THEY'RE DOING. THEY JUST
15 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ONGOING, YOU KNOW, WE CAN GET THE
16 RESOURCES TO THEM, BUT THEY ALL HAVE SUCH A PASSION AND LOVE
17 FOR THE WORK. MANY OF THEM ARE THE WORKING POOR, AND IT'S
18 ALWAYS A SHAME TO HEAR THEM, YOU KNOW, TALK ABOUT TWO AND
19 THREE JOBS JUST TO KEEP, YOU KNOW, THEIR LIVES TOGETHER. BUT I
20 JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO TOOK THE TIME TO COME HERE AND
21 SPEAK TO US. WE HEAR YOU. IT IS A GREAT BURDEN THAT EACH OF US
22 CARRY WHEN WE MAKE OUR DECISIONS AND OUR CHOICES. BUT PLEASE
23 KNOW THAT YOU DID NOT GO UNHEARD TODAY. AND WE WILL ALWAYS DO
24 WHATEVER WE CAN TO MAKE SURE WE CONTINUE TO LIFT YOU UP
25 BECAUSE YOU'RE LIFTING UP OUR CONSTITUENTS IN THE COUNTY OF



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1 LOS ANGELES. SO, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, I JUST WANTED TO ECHO MY
6 APPRECIATION. I ALSO THINK SUPERVISOR HAHN, IT'S A REFLECTION
7 OF THE DIVERSITY OF THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO RELY ON THE
8 COUNTY. THE COUNTY IS A SAFETY NET LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. SOME
9 PEOPLE CAME AND EXPRESSED EXPECTATIONS THAT ARE BEYOND OUR
10 PURVIEW. SO, I APPRECIATE PEOPLE READING THE BUDGET, BEING
11 FAMILIAR, AND REALLY UNDERSTANDING KIND OF THE PRIMARY
12 FUNCTION AND THE ROLE OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT. AGAIN, THANKS TO
13 THE BUDGET STAFF FOR THE WORK THEY DO IN SIFTING THROUGH ALL
14 OF THE NEEDS AT THE COUNTY LEVEL AND OUR 40+ DEPARTMENTS. IT
15 CONTINUES TO BE A WORK IN PROGRESS. WE KNOW WE'VE GOT LOTS OF
16 ROAD AND TESTIMONY AND DIFFICULT DECISIONS AHEAD OF US. THANK
17 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT, I WOULD JUST WANT
20 TO REITERATE FOR THOSE IMMIGRANT GROUPS THAT CAME TO SPEAK TO
21 US TODAY AND THEY REPRESENT IMMIGRANTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT
22 MAY NOT HAVE A REGULARIZED STATUS. WE DO HAVE THE OFFICE OF
23 IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS THAT WAS CREATED SOME YEARS AGO, AND THEY
24 NOW CURRENTLY HAVE A BUDGET OF \$30,000,000. AND THIS STARTED
25 BACK IN 2017 UNDER THE FIRST TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. AND IT HAS



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1 GROWN. AND THANKS TO THE COMMUNITY WHO'S BEEN PUSHING AND
2 ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO THAT. BUT WE ALSO
3 NEED YOU TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE SERVICES AVAILABLE AND WE WANT
4 TO DIRECT YOU TO THEM AND ALLOW FOR MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR
5 VOICES AND THE VOICES OF OUR COMMUNITY TO BE HEARD. SO, MUCHAS
6 GRACIAS, THANK YOU FOR COMING. BEFORE I CLOSE TODAY, I NEED TO
7 READ IN A MOTION. SO, THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT I WILL READ. I
8 MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE AND TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT
9 VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS AND COMMENTS MADE DURING
10 THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS COMMENCING ON MAY 7, 2025 AND MAKE
11 A FINDING THAT A NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS WAS GIVEN IN
12 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 29080 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE THAT SAID
13 HEARINGS COMMENCED ON THE 7TH DAY OF MAY PURSUANT TO SAID
14 NOTICE AND AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 29081 OF THE GOVERNMENT
15 CODE. I ALSO WANT TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC
16 HEARINGS FOR PURPOSES OF ORAL TESTIMONY, FINDING THAT THE
17 PUBLIC HAS BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR AND BE HEARD,
18 INCLUDING ALLOWING ADDITIONAL WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND REQUESTS
19 TO BE FILED THROUGH THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FRIDAY, MAY 16,
20 2025. I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD RECONFIRMS THAT BUDGET
21 DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 23RD AT 9:30 A.M.DO I
22 NEED A I'LL MOVE IT AND I NEED A SECOND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL SEEING NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT WE CALL THE ROLL.

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25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AYE

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

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12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 3 TO
13 0.

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THAT MOTION PASSES. MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC
16 THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S BUDGET HEARING MEETING THAT WE JUST
17 CONDUCTED. THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON
18 TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025, PROMPTLY AT 9:30 A.M. AND THANK YOU
19 VERY MUCH. WE'RE ALL COMING. MUCHAS GRACIAS. THANK YOU.

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1 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
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