



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2025

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. WELCOME TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2025. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF NEW TOOLS TO MAKE OUR MEETINGS MORE ACCESSIBLE AND USER-FRIENDLY FOR THE PUBLIC. FIRST, OUR PUBLIC COMMENT SYSTEM HAS BEEN UPGRADED. WE'VE MOVED FROM THE OLD AT&T TELECONFERENCE SYSTEM, THAT'S RIGHT, TO A MORE STABLE AND FLEXIBLE CISCO WEBEX PLATFORM. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CAN STILL CALL IN DIRECTLY, BUT NOW THERE'S ALSO A REGISTRATION OPTION THAT SENDS A DIRECT LINK TO JOIN THE MEETING ONLINE. YOU CAN FIND THIS ON OUR WEBSITE AT [BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV](https://bos.lacounty.gov). PLEASE CLICK ON REMOTE PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MORE INFORMATION. THE NEW SERVICE WILL HELP EVERYONE CONNECT AND SHARE THEIR COMMENTS MORE EASILY. SECOND, I'M PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE LAUNCHING WORLDLY AN AI-POWERED TRANSLATION SERVICE FOR BOARD MEETINGS. FOR THOSE ATTENDING IN PERSON, SIMPLY SCAN THE PROVIDED QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE OR TABLET TO ACCESS REAL-TIME TRANSLATION AND TRANSCRIPTION OF YOUR CHOSEN LANGUAGE. IF YOU ARE WATCHING ONLINE, YOU CAN ENABLE TRANSLATED CAPTIONS OR AUDIO BY SELECTING YOUR



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1 PREFERRED LANGUAGE FROM THE MENU IN THE VIDEO PLAYER IN THE
2 TOP CENTER. FOR AUDIO TRANSLATION, IN-PERSON ATTENDEES MUST
3 USE THEIR OWN HEADPHONES OR EARBUDS TO AVOID DISRUPTING THE
4 BOARDROOM. THIS SERVICE MEANS THAT EVERYONE CAN FOLLOW
5 DISCUSSION AND PARTICIPATE IN YOUR PREFERRED LANGUAGE. AND I
6 BELIEVE EDDIE, HOW MANY LANGUAGES? 60 OR 70 LANGUAGES. SO, ALL
7 LANGUAGES ARE COVERED. THESE ENHANCEMENTS ARE PART OF OUR
8 ONGOING EFFORT TO IMPROVE ACCESS, ENGAGEMENT, AND
9 PARTICIPATION WITH OUR BOARD MEETINGS. WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT
10 THESE UPDATES AND ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO TRY THEM OUT. THEY'RE
11 DESIGNED TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD MORE EASILY AND CLEARLY THAN
12 BEFORE. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S
13 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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



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

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15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY
16 REVEREND DANIEL TAMM, PRESIDENT OF INTERFAITH SOLIDARITY
17 NETWORK FROM THE 3RD DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
18 ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY MARISOL GONZALEZ, MEMBER,
19 VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK FROM THE 4TH DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE
20 ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

21
22 **REVEREND DANIEL TAMM:** HISTORY BELONGS TO THE INTERCESSORS. IF
23 YOU COME FROM A TRADITION THAT UTILIZES PRAYER IN RELATING TO
24 A DIVINE SOURCE, THE THEOLOGIAN WALTER WINK HAD THIS TO SAY,
25 INTERCESSORY PRAYER IS SPIRITUAL DEFIANCE OF WHAT IS IN THE



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1 WAY OF WHAT GOD HAS PROMISED. INTERCESSION VISUALIZES AN
2 ALTERNATIVE FUTURE TO THE ONE APPARENTLY FATED BY THE MOMENTUM
3 OF CURRENT FORCES. PRAYER INFUSES THE AIR OF A TIME YET TO BE
4 INTO THE SUFFOCATING ATMOSPHERE OF THE PRESENT. HISTORY
5 BELONGS TO THE INTERCESSORS WHO BELIEVE THE FUTURE INTO BEING.
6 IF THIS IS SO, MY FRIENDS, THEN INTERCESSION, FAR FROM BEING
7 AN ESCAPE FROM ACTION, IS A MEANS OF FOCUSING FOR ACTION AND
8 OF CREATING ACTION. BY MEANS OF INTERCESSION WE TRUMPET THE
9 FUTURE INTO BEING SO LET US PRAY. HOLY BEING SPIRIT YOU
10 REPRESENT THE CONSCIOUS SPIRITUAL PRESENCE AND POWER MANY
11 PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT RELIGIONS CALL UPON AS GOD OR THE
12 CREATOR OR HIGHER POWER. SOME PEOPLE MIGHT SIMPLY CALL YOU THE
13 LIGHT OF COMMON SENSE OR CONSCIENCE. BUT THE MORE WE TRUST IN
14 THE SPIRIT, THE MORE WE TRUST IN OURSELVES, OUR FAITH GIVING
15 US THE ENERGY, ABILITY, AND COURAGE WE NEED TO BELIEVE IN THE
16 POSSIBILITY OF CHANGE, TEACHING US THAT WE CAN MAKE A
17 DIFFERENCE FOR THE COMMON GOOD. BE WITH US TODAY, HIGHER
18 POWER, IN THIS HALL OF HUMAN POWER, AS YOUR FAITHFUL SERVANTS
19 HILDA, HOLLY, JANICE, KATHRYN, LINDSAY, AND THEIR STAVES GO
20 ABOUT THE ARDUOUS BUT UPLIFTING WORK OF THE PEOPLE. GUIDE THEM
21 AND ALL WHO ARE HERE TODAY IN THE TRUE UNDERSTANDING THAT WE
22 ARE WHOLLY LOVED UNCONDITIONALLY BY YOU, GOD. UNLEASH OUR
23 COMPASSION TO SUFFER WITH WORKERS WHO STRUGGLE TO STAY IN
24 THEIR HOMES, TO SUFFER WITH THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSED AND
25 STRUGGLING WITH THE DISEASE OF LONELINESS, TO SUFFER WITH



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1 THOSE WHO SUDDENLY LOST THEIR HOMES TO CLIMATE-FUELED
2 WILDFIRES, TO SUFFER WITH THOSE WHOSE MINDS ARE IN TORMENT AND
3 IN NEED OF HEALING TO SUFFER WITH THE EARTH, OUR COMMON HOME
4 CRIES OUT FOR CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND HEALING.
5 HOLY BEING, INSPIRE THESE YOUR FAITHFUL SERVANTS WITH TRUTH,
6 THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM, SO THAT WE MAY NURTURE THE HOPE OF
7 KINSHIP AND AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT
8 PRACTICING LOVING KINDNESS AND RESPECTING THE DIGNITY OF EVERY
9 HUMAN BEING AND THE EARTH LIBERATES US TO FIND THAT TRUE
10 JUSTICE AND PEACE FOR WHICH WE STRIVE. WE INVOKE THIS AMONG
11 ALL THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTY FOR WHOM WE WORK HERE TODAY IN
12 THE NAME OF ALL THAT IS HOLY, AMEN.

13
14 **MARISOL GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND PLACE
15 YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY
16 RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
17 I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
18 AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION
19 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.
20 THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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24 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS MORNING I AM
25 HONORED TO INTRODUCE THE REVEREND DEACON DANIEL TAMM TO THANK



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HIM FOR LEADING OUR INVOCATION TODAY. DANIEL HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO BUILDING A MORE JUST AND COMPASSIONATE WORLD THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE, FAITH LEADERSHIP, AND COMMUNITY ADVOCACY. IN THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES, HE SERVES AS A DEACON POSTULANT WITH A FOCUS ON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND SPIRITUAL CARE. HE ACTIVATES ADVOCACY ON THE BISHOP'S COMMISSION ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND HELPS LEAD THE GREEN CAUCUS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, UNITING THE CHURCH'S VOICE ON CLIMATE ACTION. HE IS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE INTERFACE SOLIDARITY NETWORK, BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS AMONG FAITH COMMUNITIES IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND ACROSS LOS ANGELES. IN ADDITION, HE CHAIRS THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE LOS ANGELES FAITH AND ECOLOGY NETWORK, PUSHING FOR A CLEAN, RENEWABLE ENERGY FUTURE BY 2035, AND ENGAGES WITH L.A. COUNTY'S FAITH COLLABORATIVE TO END HOMELESSNESS TO STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS WITH FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. DANIEL'S COMMITMENT TO SERVICE ALSO INCLUDES YEARS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT. HE WORKED FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DURING THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI'S ADMINISTRATION, FOCUSING ON HOMELESSNESS, JOBS, AND SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANTS. HE THEN JOINED L.A. SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT WHERE HE HELPED COMMUNITIES EMBRACE SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND THE CITY'S GREEN NEW DEAL. HE AND HIS WIFE NICOLE LIVE IN SHERMAN OAKS, AND THEY ARE PROUD OF THEIR SON CHARLIE, WHO RECENTLY GRADUATED FROM COLLEGE. CONGRATULATIONS. JOIN ME AGAIN IN THANKING HIM FOR HIS SERVICE



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1 AND FOR BEING HERE WITH US TODAY. THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU TO MS.
6 GONZALEZ FOR JOINING US TODAY AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF
7 ALLEGIANCE. MS. GONZALEZ JOINED THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
8 IN 2016, RIGHT OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL AND SERVED UNTIL 2020.
9 DURING HER MILITARY CAREER, SHE WAS A MARINE SECURITY GUARD
10 PROTECTING THE AMERICAN EMBASSIES IN MOLDOVA AND KENYA. AFTER
11 LEAVING THE MARINES, SHE RECEIVED HELP FROM PEER SUPPORT
12 SPECIALISTS WHO EDUCATED HER ON HER BENEFITS AND RESOURCES
13 THAT WERE AVAILABLE TO HER. SHE WAS ABLE TO OBTAIN AN
14 ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE FROM LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE IN HISTORY AND
15 SOCIOLOGY AND IS CURRENTLY PURSUING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AT
16 CHICO STATE UNIVERSITY. SINCE SHE GREATLY BENEFITED FROM A
17 PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST, SHE WANTED TO ALSO GIVE BACK TO HER
18 FELLOW VETERANS. AND AS OF LAST WEEK, MS. GONZALEZ WORKS AS A
19 PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST AT VPAM. THANK YOU, MS. GONZALEZ, FOR
20 COMING TODAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE AND THANK YOU FOR
21 YOUR DEDICATION GOING FORWARD TO HELP OTHER FELLOW VETERANS.
22 AND WE HAVE A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOU JOINING US
23 TODAY SIGNED BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO NOW I AM EXCITED TO



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RESUME OUR FAVORITE WEEKLY TRADITION, OUR PET OF THE WEEK. I WANT YOU TO MEET BLUEY, WHO'S GOING TO BE COMING IN. BLUEY IS A 10-MONTH-OLD LABRADOR MIX, DEFINITELY HAS A LITTLE BIT OF HUSKY, HE'S GOT ONE BLUE EYE. HE WAS FOUND AS A STRAY IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY BEFORE HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE AGOURA CARE CENTER. HE IS VERY, VERY SWEET AND A LOT, DEFINITELY A PUPPY ENERGY. IF BLUEY IS A PUP FOR YOU, CALL THE AGOURA CARE CENTER AT 818-991-0071 TO TAKE HIM HOME. AND AGAIN, AGOURA CARE CENTER, BUT WE HAVE A LOT OF ANIMAL CARE CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO TO ONE OF THEM. THERE ARE MANY, MANY, MANY PETS LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES, BUT THIS IS BLUEY. YOU CAN ADOPT BLUEY BY CALLING 818-991-0071. AND NOW PLEASE TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN FOR OUR PET FROM PALMDALE. THIS IS DUSK, A ONE-YEAR-OLD GERMAN SHEPHERD MIX. DON'T LET THE SUN SET ON THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADOPT THIS LOVABLE PET. CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT 661-575-2888 TO MAKE DUSK YOURS. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A SPECIAL PROMOTION AS WELL AT OUR CARE CENTERS. THANKS TO THE ANONYMOUS DONOR FEES ARE BEING WAIVED FOR THE FIRST 100 DOGS. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY WHILE IT LASTS. VISIT ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV TO CHECK OUT THE ADOPTABLE PETS WHO COULD BE YOURS. SO AGAIN, AND WE'RE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR FOSTER PARENTS AS WELL AS VOLUNTEERS AT OUR CARE CENTERS. SO, WITH THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.



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EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTERS 1 TO 2. SET MATTER 1 IS A REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON THE COUNTY'S BUDGET, INCLUDING THE LATEST FEDERAL AND STATE POLICY CHANGES WITH POTENTIAL IMPACTS TO COUNTY STAFF, CONTRACTOR PROVIDERS, AND SERVICE DELIVERY. ON SET MATTER 1, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. SET MATTER 2 IS A REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MISSIONS, INCLUDING EACH DEPARTMENT'S UTILIZATION OF THE EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION'S TOOLS AND DELEGATED AUTHORITIES. ON SET MATTER 2, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE THREE, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 3 - 21. ON ITEM 3, THIS INCLUDES ADDITIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES REVISIONS AND A MOTION BY SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HAHN TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2025, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 16, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 22 TO 67. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 29, THIS INCLUDES A



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1 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 37,
2 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
3 AGENDA. ON ITEM 50, THIS IS A REQUEST TO CONTINUE THE ITEM TO
4 THE NEXT REGULAR RECURRENCE OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2025. ONE MORE
5 PAGE. ON PAGE 52, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
6 AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
7 MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 65A,
8 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 53,
9 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON ITEM 68, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
10 REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 54, SEPARATE MATTER. ON
11 ITEM 69, ON PAGE 55, NOTICE IS A CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS1,
12 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
13 SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THAT
14 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR. THE REQUEST
15 FOR CONTINUANCES THROUGH CS2 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
18 MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THESE
19 ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY
20 THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY
23 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF
25 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH



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



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1 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL BE ITEM
4 SET MATTER 1 AND SET MATTER 2, THEN PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS
5 NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD FOLLOWED BY ITEM 16, 65A
6 AND 68. THEN ON TO GENERAL COMMENT AND FINISHING WITH CLOSED
7 SESSION. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE
8 CALL-IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

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10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE
11 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY
12 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. TO
13 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO REGISTER AND
14 JOIN THE MEETING. YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE
15 BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD,
16 YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES
17 FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS. FOR ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL
18 HAVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AND ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS
19 THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF SIX MINUTES
20 FOR THIS MEETING. WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, IF REGISTERED
21 ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME
22 WILL BE CALLED. OR IF JOINING BY TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR, YOU
23 HAVE RAISED YOUR HAND TO ASK A QUESTION. YOU WILL THEN HEAR,
24 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. YOUR AREA CODE AND THE FIRST THREE
25 DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER WILL BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE HEAR



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FROM BOTH IN PERSON AND REMOTE SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING CUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO. WE WILL BEGIN WITH SET MATTER 1, REPORT ON THE COUNTY'S BUDGET. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE, OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON A TELEPHONE TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: THANK YOU, JOE?

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS JOE NICCHITTA, CHIEF DEPUTY CEO, AND I WILL BE PROVIDING TODAY'S--

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: CAN YOU GET A LITTLE CLOSER TO THE MIC?



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1 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** YES, MA'AM. I WILL FOCUS TODAY ON WHAT'S NEW
2 OR CHANGED FROM THE LAST UPDATE. I'LL ALSO BRIEFLY DISCUSS THE
3 WORK BEING DONE BY OUR LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES AND THEN TURN THE
4 FLOOR OVER TO THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AND THEIR DEPARTMENTAL
5 REPRESENTATIVES FOR A DISCUSSION ON THE IMPACTS OF THE WHITE
6 HOUSE EXECUTIVE ORDER ON HOMELESSNESS AS REQUESTED BY THE
7 BOARD AT A PRIOR MEETING. COULD I TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE?
8 SUPERVISORS, YOU'VE SEEN THIS SLIDE BEFORE. THIS IS THE SCARY
9 SLIDE SHOWING THE MAJOR CHALLENGES WE'RE FACING ON MULTIPLE
10 FRONTS OVER THE COMING YEARS. I THINK THE TAKEAWAY FOR TODAY
11 IS THAT THESE NUMBERS AND PRESSURES WILL CONTINUE TO EVOLVE
12 AND REFINE OVER THE COMING WEEKS AND MONTHS. YES, THERE'S A
13 LOT OF NOISE IN THE BOARDROOM AS WELL, WHICH MAY BE PREVENTING
14 MY - -

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16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, I THINK IT'S THE VOLUME. CAN
17 THEY TURN UP? HIS IS NOT WORKING AS WELL AS OURS, YEAH.

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19 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. SO YEAH, SO LET ME BACK UP.
20 LET ME START OVER ON THIS SLIDE. YOU'VE SEEN THE SLIDE, IT'S
21 THE SCARY SLIDE. IT SHOWS OUR MAJOR BUDGETARY PRESSURES THAT
22 ARE FACING THE COUNTY OVER THE COMING YEARS. AND I THINK THE
23 TAKEAWAY I WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH IS THAT THESE NUMBERS ARE
24 GOING TO CONTINUE TO CHANGE AND EVOLVE IN THE COMING WEEKS AND
25 MONTHS. FOR EXAMPLE, IN OUR LAST PRESENTATION, WE PROJECTED



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1 THE IMPACT FROM THE BIG BILL OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS AT
2 \$1,200,000,000. THAT'S DECREASED SLIGHTLY TO 1,100,000,000 AS
3 DEPARTMENTS BETTER UNDERSTAND THE NUMBERS. OUR LONG-TERM
4 IMPACTS PROJECT APPROXIMATELY 1.5 TO \$2,000,000,000 IN FEDERAL
5 CUTS TO ONGOING FUNDING, WHICH OF COURSE WILL BE EXTREMELY
6 IMPACTFUL TO OUR RESIDENTS WHO RELY ON THESE FEDERALLY FUNDED
7 COUNTY SERVICES. WE ALSO CONTINUE TO TRACK NEW CASES UNDER
8 AB218, WHICH STAND NOW AT 2,900 CLAIMS. NOW I WANT TO CAUTION
9 THAT THESE ARE VERY PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES, THINGS WILL
10 CONTINUE TO CHANGE, AND I THINK UNFORTUNATELY WE'RE GOING TO
11 HAVE TO INCORPORATE DYNAMIC BUDGET CHANGES AND UNCERTAINTY
12 INTO OUR BUSINESS PRACTICES OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS. CAN I
13 HAVE THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE? SO AT YOUR LAST MEETING, THE
14 BOARD ASKED HOW THE COUNTY WAS RESPONDING TO THESE FEDERAL
15 CUTS AND POLICY CHANGES, AND I HAVE INVITED OUR ACTING BRANCH
16 MANAGER ANGELA OVALLE TO JOIN US TODAY TO SHARE DETAILS ON THE
17 SCOPE OF WORK BEING DONE AND CONVERSATIONS GOING ON AT ALL
18 LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE WITH COUNTIES
19 AND WITH CITIES AND WITH A VARIETY OF SUBJECT MATTER
20 COALITIONS. BEFORE ANGELA BEGINS, I DO WANT TO SET
21 EXPECTATIONS BY SAYING THAT WHILE WE'RE PUSHING BACK ON
22 MULTIPLE FRONTS, THE REALITY IS THAT UNLESS CONGRESS OR THE
23 ADMINISTRATION TAKES ACTION TO REVERSE OR MITIGATE THE FUNDING
24 CUTS AND POLICY CHANGES IN H.R. 1, THE COUNTY WILL SEE
25 SIGNIFICANT CUTS INTO THE NEXT DECADE. NOW WE'RE ACTIVELY



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1 SEEKING WAYS TO SHAPE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BILL, SUCH AS
2 PROVIDING INPUT ON FEDERAL AGENCY REGULATIONS TO ADVANCE THE
3 COUNTY'S PRIORITIES. NOW MUCH IS STILL TO BE DETERMINED, AND
4 MANY REGULATIONS HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN PUBLISHED YET IN DRAFT
5 FORM, SO WE'RE REALLY AT THE START OF THIS ADVOCACY JOURNEY. I
6 DO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT WE'RE NOT FOCUSED ONLY ON THE BIG BILL,
7 BUT ON OTHER THREATS TIED TO THE EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND THE
8 ROLLBACK OF POLICY CHANGES THAT SUPPORT OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS.
9 AND WE ALSO CONTINUE TO TRY TO SECURE FEDERAL FUNDING TO
10 SUPPORT COUNTY PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS. THESE INCLUDE MORE
11 THAN \$31,000,000 IN NEW APPROPRIATIONS OR EARMARKS REQUESTS,
12 BUILDING SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S REQUEST FOR MORE THAN
13 32,000,000,000 IN FEDERAL DISASTER RELIEF AND ADVOCATING FOR
14 THE DELAY OR ELIMINATION OF FEDERAL CUTS TO OUR COUNTY
15 HOSPITALS THAT ARE SCHEDULED TO START ON OCTOBER 1ST. SO LET
16 ME JUST BRIEFLY ASK ANGELA TO WALK THROUGH SOME OF THE DETAILS
17 ON OUR ADVOCACY AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL.

18
19 **ANGELA OVALLE:** THANKS, JOE. GOOD MORNING, ANGELA OVALLE. I'M
20 THE ACTING BRANCH MANAGER FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS IN THE CEO'S
21 OFFICE. I'VE BEEN ASKED TO SPEAK ABOUT SOME OF THE WORK WE'RE
22 DOING IN RESPONSE TO THE FEDERAL CUTS AS WELL AS SOME OF THE
23 OTHER BUDGET PRESSURES. SO LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS OR LAIR IS
24 ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN DEVELOPING COMPREHENSIVE ADVOCACY
25 STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS ALL OF THE BUDGET PRESSURES WE FACE.



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1 THESE INCLUDE TARGETED CAMPAIGNS LED BY YOUR LEGISLATIVE
2 AFFAIRS TEAM IN POLICY SPACES WHERE IT MAKES SENSE FOR US TO
3 LEAD, SUCH AS SEEKING FEDERAL AND STATE RESOURCES FOR DISASTER
4 RECOVERY. AS JOE MENTIONED, ADVANCING FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS
5 REQUESTS FOR COUNTY PRIORITIES AND PROJECTS, PUSHING BACK ON
6 POLICY CHANGES THAT THREATEN TO IMPOSE NEW COSTS OR
7 RESTRICTIONS ON THE COUNTY, AND ALSO FIGHTING TO PRESERVE
8 FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH,
9 HEALTH SERVICES, LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF OUR VULNERABLE
10 COMMUNITIES, AND FOOD SECURITY. SEPARATELY, ENGAGEMENT AND
11 JOINT ADVOCACY WITH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS LIKE NACO, THE
12 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, AMERICA'S
13 ESSENTIAL HOSPITALS IN THE URBAN COUNTIES OF CALIFORNIA REMAIN
14 STRONG AS THESE ORGANIZATIONS HAVE CONSISTENTLY SUPPORTED OUR
15 ADVANCED, OUR SHARED EFFORTS TO ADVANCE OUR PRIORITIES. NOW
16 GIVEN THE FEDERAL, POLITICAL DYNAMICS AND THE STATE'S FISCAL
17 OUTLOOK, COLLABORATION WITH LIKE-MINDED PARTNER AGENCIES, AS
18 WELL AS OTHER STATES AND COUNTIES ACROSS THE NATION WHO SHARE
19 OUR INTERESTS WILL BE CRITICAL TO OUR SUCCESS. SINCE THE START
20 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL SESSION EARLY THIS YEAR AND THE NEW
21 ADMINISTRATION COMING IN, OUR DC OFFICE HAS ORGANIZED MEETINGS
22 AND ROUNDTABLES TO ENGAGE AND COLLABORATE WITH CONGRESSIONAL
23 LEADERSHIP, THE COUNTY DELEGATION, WHITE HOUSE OFFICIALS, AND
24 RELEVANT FEDERAL AGENCIES. WE HAVE EXPRESSED OUR CONCERNS OVER
25 FAST-MOVING AND OFTEN UNVETTED PROPOSALS THAT ARE HAVING



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1 DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS TO THE COUNTY. WE HAVE ORGANIZED A
2 CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING WHICH WILL BE TAKING PLACE LATER THIS
3 MONTH. IT'S HOSTED BY REPRESENTATIVE KOLMOGOROV WHERE WE WILL
4 SPECIFICALLY SPEAK TO THE IMPACTS OF H.R. 1. THE DEPARTMENTS
5 OF HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND DPSS
6 WILL ALSO SPEAK TO THE IMPACTS OF THE BILL. WE ALSO CONTINUE
7 TO WORK WITH DEPARTMENTS TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSIVE MESSAGING
8 AND REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR DELEGATION MEMBERS, AS
9 WELL AS COMMITTEES OF JURISDICTION, CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP
10 AND THE WHITE HOUSE. THE STATE IS STILL ASSESSING THE IMPACT
11 OF H.R. 1, SO WE ARE IN COMMUNICATION WITH THEM ABOUT THAT.
12 WE'VE OFFERED TO ACT AS A SOUNDING BOARD TO HELP THEM COME UP
13 WITH SOLUTIONS AND ADVANCE FEDERAL FUNDING PRIORITIES.
14 SEPARATELY, WE REMAIN IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH OUR STATE
15 PARTNERS TO ALSO ADVOCATE FOR OUR BUDGET PRIORITIES IN THE
16 COMING YEAR AHEAD OF THE END OF THE SESSION. AND I THINK
17 THAT'S THE END OF MY PRESENTATION.

18
19 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** I THINK THE TAKEAWAY THERE, SUPERVISORS, IS
20 THAT WE ARE PART OF SOME NATIONAL COALITIONS. WE ARE
21 PARTICIPATING IN SOME STATEWIDE COALITIONS, AND THEN THERE ARE
22 SOME AREAS WHERE WE ARE OUT IN FRONT. AND OF COURSE, THERE'S
23 LITIGATION AS WELL WHERE WE PARTICIPATE. SO, THERE ARE A
24 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT WAYS THAT WE LOOK TO SHAPE THE
25 IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE BILLS, AND THAT'S JUST A HIGH-LEVEL



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1 OVERVIEW. AND OF COURSE, IF THERE ARE ANY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS,
2 ANGELA CAN STICK AROUND TO ANSWER THOSE. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT
3 SLIDE. SO, THIS IS TODAY'S MAIN EVENT. THIS IS A DISCUSSION
4 THAT YOUR BOARD REQUESTED ON THE IMPACTS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE
5 EXECUTIVE ORDER ON HOMELESSNESS AND HOW IT WOULD IMPACT THE
6 COUNTY. I WILL TAKE A MINUTE TO INTRODUCE IT AND THEN MY
7 DEPARTMENTAL COLLEAGUES CAN MAKE THEIR WAY UP TO THE DAIS HERE
8 TO COMMENCE THE PANEL. PROBABLY THE BEST PLACE TO START IS BY
9 REMINDING EVERYONE THAT THE ORDER ENDS PRESIDENTIAL SUPPORT
10 FOR HOUSING FIRST POLICIES. NOW, THESE ARE POLICIES AT THE
11 HEART OF THE COUNTY'S APPROACH AND HAVE PROVEN SUCCESSFUL IN
12 REDUCING HOMELESSNESS. THE ORDER ALSO EMPHASIZES INVOLUNTARY
13 TREATMENT AS A CONDITION OF HOUSING, A PREFERENCE FOR FUNDING
14 INTERIM RATHER THAN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, AND
15 MANDATORY DATA SHARING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT THAT COULD
16 JEOPARDIZE SUCCESSFUL STREET OUTREACH EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN
17 GAINING TRACTION OVER THE PAST YEARS. AND SO, WITH THAT, WE'LL
18 LEAVE THIS SLIDE UP WHILE OUR SPEAKERS ARE SPEAKING BECAUSE I
19 THINK IT FRAMES OUT THE ORDER NICELY. AND THEN I WILL TURN IT
20 OVER TO START TO SARAH MAHIN, THE DIRECTOR OF THE NEW
21 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING TO KICK OFF THE
22 DEPARTMENTAL DISCUSSION.

23
24 **SARAH MAHIN:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE
25 TODAY TO TALK ABOUT POTENTIAL IMPACTS TO OUR COUNTY'S HOMELESS



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1 RESPONSE SYSTEM FROM RECENT FEDERAL EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND
2 CHANGES IN FEDERAL FUNDING. AS JOE MENTIONED, I'M SARAH MAHIN
3 AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES
4 AND HOUSING. I'M JOINED BY MY COLLEAGUES FROM OTHER
5 DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES WHO SERVE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
6 HOMELESSNESS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE RECENTLY SUBMITTED A
7 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN RESPONSE TO A MOTION AUTHORED BY
8 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN AND PASSED AT YOUR JULY 29TH
9 MEETING. THE MOTION, TITLED RESPONDING TO PRESIDENT DONALD J.
10 TRUMP'S EXECUTIVE ORDER ON HOMELESSNESS, DIRECTED THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING AND OUR PARTNERS
12 TO REPORT BACK ON THE IMPACT OF THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER ON
13 FEDERAL FUNDING FOR HOMELESS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES IN
14 THE COUNTY. ON JULY 24TH, PRESIDENT TRUMP ISSUED AN EXECUTIVE
15 ORDER ENTITLED ENDING CRIME AND DISORDER ON AMERICA'S STREETS.
16 IT SETS FORTH THE PRESIDENT'S NEW APPROACH TO HOMELESSNESS AND
17 THE USE OF CIVIL COMMITMENTS. I'LL BEGIN BY PROVIDING AN
18 OVERVIEW OF THE DIRECTIVES WITHIN THE PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE
19 ORDER. IT DIRECTS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO SEEK REVERSAL OF
20 COURT DECISIONS IN TERMINATION OF CONSENT DEGREES THAT IMPEDE
21 CIVIL COMMITMENT OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO HAVE
22 MENTAL ILLNESS. IT PRIORITIZES DISCRETIONARY FEDERAL GRANTS TO
23 STATES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT ENFORCE LAWS THAT PROHIBIT OPEN
24 ILLICIT DRUG USE, URBAN CAMPING AND LOITERING AND TRACKS THE
25 LOCATION OF CONVICTED SEX OFFENDERS. IT INSTRUCTS THE ATTORNEY



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1 GENERAL TO ASSESS WHETHER FEDERAL RESOURCES MAY BE DIRECTED
2 TOWARDS ENSURING THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS
3 AND HAVE BEEN DETAINED ARE NOT RELEASED TO THE COMMUNITY
4 BECAUSE OF A LACK OF FORENSIC BEDS. IT ALSO DIRECTS THE
5 ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ENHANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR IN CUSTODY
6 HOUSING RELEASE PLANS FOR INMATES REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO
7 COMPLY WITH THESE PLANS TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE. IT
8 DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OR HHS
9 AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OR HUD TO INCREASE
10 ACCOUNTABILITY IN THEIR PROVISION OF HOMELESS AND THEIR
11 PROVISION OF HOMELESS ASSISTANCE AND TRANSITIONAL LIVING
12 PROGRAMS. THIS INCLUDES ENDING SUPPORT FOR HOUSING FIRST
13 POLICIES, WHICH HAVE BEEN FOR DECADES THE POLICY OF THE LAND.
14 IT INSTRUCTS HUD TO TAKE STEPS TO REQUIRE RECIPIENTS OF
15 FEDERAL FUNDING AND HOMELESSNESS ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN
16 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT OR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.
17 THE ORDER SPECIFIES THAT FEDERAL DISCUSSIONARY GRANTS FOR
18 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND RECOVERY DO
19 NOT FUND PROGRAMS THAT APPLY HARM REDUCTION OR SAFE
20 CONSUMPTION EFFORTS. FINALLY, THE EXECUTIVE ORDER REQUIRES
21 RECIPIENTS OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO COLLECT HEALTH-RELATED
22 INFORMATION WHEN IDENTIFIED AS NECESSARY BY HUD AND TO SHARE
23 THIS INFORMATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT IN CIRCUMSTANCES
24 PERMITTED BY LAW. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THIS EXECUTIVE
25 ORDER IS NOT SELF EXECUTING, MEANING IT DOES NOT REQUIRE



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1 STATES, LOCALITIES OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO TAKE ACTION
2 UNLESS AND UNTIL FEDERAL AGENCIES ISSUE FURTHER GUIDANCE. THE
3 EXECUTIVE ORDER MAY IMPACT THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
4 PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE
5 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. IT MAY ALSO INCREASE UNSHELTERED
6 HOMELESSNESS BY JEOPARDIZING GRANT FUNDING FOR EXISTING
7 PERMANENT HOUSING PROGRAMS. THIS INCLUDES HUD FUNDING TO OUR
8 LOCAL CONTINUUMS OF CARES OR COCS. IN FISCAL YEAR 2024, THE
9 LACOC, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA, RECEIVED OVER
10 \$220,000,000 IN FEDERAL FUNDS FROM HUD. 77% OF THIS FUNDING
11 SUPPORTED PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, 10% SUPPORTED RAPID
12 REHOUSING, ABOUT 5% FUNDED JOINT TRANSITIONAL AND PERMANENT
13 HOUSING PROGRAMS, AND ABOUT 1% FUNDED TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
14 ONLY. IN ADDITION TO THE L.A. COC, THE LONG BEACH COC RECEIVED
15 ABOUT \$10,800,000, THE PASADENA COC RECEIVED ABOUT \$6,500,000,
16 AND THE GLENDALE COC RECEIVED ABOUT \$3,300,000. WHILE THE FY
17 2024 NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY, OR NOFO, FOR THE COC
18 PROVIDED TWO YEARS OF FUNDING. HUD HAS STATED THAT THEY WILL
19 RELEASE AN FY 2025 NOFO THAT WOULD IMPACT FUNDING IN 2026
20 ANYWAY. THIS ADDS EXTRA ADMINISTRATIVE WORK TO OVERBURDENED
21 HOMELESS SYSTEMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING OUR LOCAL FOR
22 COCS, AND IT OPENS UP THE DOOR FOR HUD TO REDIRECT FUNDING IN
23 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS ORDER. AS I STATED, IN THE L.A. COC, 77%
24 OR \$150,000,000 OF OUR FUNDING SUPPORTS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
25 HOUSING, WHICH HAS TRADITIONALLY OPERATED UNDER A HOUSING



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1 FIRST MODEL. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER STATES THAT FEDERAL FUNDING
2 SHOULD NOT SUPPORT HOUSING FIRST PROGRAMS AND MAY IMPACT THE
3 ELIGIBLE USES OF COC FUNDS. AS A RESULT, LEADERSHIP HAS SPOKEN
4 ABOUT DESIRE TO FUND OUTREACH AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING RATHER
5 THAN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. OUR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
6 HOUSING FUNDING IS INVESTED IN MANY PROJECT-BASED BUILDINGS
7 THAT COULD FAIL IF COC FUNDING IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR
8 RENTAL SUBSIDIES. IT ALSO SUPPORTS PEOPLE WITH TENANT-BASED
9 SUBSIDIES WHO ARE RENTING UNITS AND THE OPEN MARKET AND WHO
10 COULD LOSE THEIR HOUSING. WHILE WE KNOW THAT WE WON'T KNOW AND
11 THE FEDERAL BUDGET. THIS IS A POTENTIAL FOR DISRUPTION TO
12 SERVICES. THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER COMES AMIDST FEDERAL BUDGET
13 CUTS AND LEGISLATION CURTAILING ACCESS TO SOCIAL SAFETY NET
14 PROGRAMS FOR SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. IT WILL
15 STRAIN LIMITED RESOURCES TO END HOMELESSNESS AND ALREADY
16 DRASTICALLY REDUCED FISCAL ENVIRONMENT. THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF
17 HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING IS STARTING WITH A STRUCTURAL
18 DEFICIT. THE COUNTY HAS USED ONE-TIME FUNDS TO PROVIDE
19 HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING, AND MANY OF THOSE ONE-TIME
20 FUNDS ARE EXPIRING THIS YEAR. AND WE KNOW THERE ARE MORE
21 FEDERAL AND STATE BUDGET REDUCTIONS IN OUR FUTURE. FOR
22 EXAMPLE, WE CURRENTLY DRAW DOWN MEDI-CAL REVENUE THROUGH THE
23 CALAIM SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION WAIVER TO FUND WRAPAROUND
24 COMMUNITY SUPPORTS FOR PARTICIPANTS THROUGH HOUSING FOR
25 HEALTH'S PROGRAMMING. THE CALAIM SECTION 1115 WAIVER IS ONLY



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1 EFFECTIVE THROUGH DECEMBER 2026. DUE TO MEDICAID CUTS OVERALL,
2 AND THIS ADMINISTRATION'S RESCISSION OF THE CENTERS FOR
3 MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES GUIDANCE THAT LAID THE
4 GROUNDWORK FOR THE CURRENT WAIVER THAT PROMOTED THE USE OF
5 MEDICAID FUNDING FOR HOUSING RELATED SERVICES, WE DO NOT
6 ANTICIPATE BEING ABLE TO BRING IN THIS REVENUE STARTING
7 JANUARY 2027. AND THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER ONLY FURTHER
8 COMPLICATES OUR CHALLENGING FISCAL ENVIRONMENT. I'LL NOW
9 INTRODUCE MY COLLEAGUE, EMILIO SALAS.

10
11 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU, SARAH. EMILIO SALAS, EXECUTIVE
12 DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. I'M HERE
13 TO SPEAK ABOUT THE IMPACT TO OUR HOUSING PROGRAMS, WHICH
14 INCLUDE THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM, OR SECTION 8,
15 PUBLIC HOUSING, AS WELL AS THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS THAT
16 WE DEPLOY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE
17 COUNTY. BEFORE I START, JUST WANTED TO SET SOME CONTEXT. I'VE
18 BEEN IN THIS INDUSTRY FOR OVER 35 YEARS AND CERTAINLY HAVE
19 SEEN MY SHARE OF CHALLENGES AS IT RELATES TO FUNDING OR POLICY
20 SHIFTS. BUT I'VE NEVER EXPERIENCED THIS LEVEL OF IMPACT AS IT
21 RELATES TO PRESSURES COMING FROM ALL SIDES OF THE HOUSING
22 ECOSYSTEM. WHEN YOU LOOK AT APPROPRIATIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, AND
23 WHAT WE ARE ANTICIPATING TO COME FORWARD FOR APPROPRIATIONS,
24 IT'S CERTAINLY GOING TO PUT OUR STRAIN ON OUR ABILITY TO HOUSE
25 INDIVIDUALS UNDER BOTH PUBLIC HOUSING AND SECTION 8. IN TERMS



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1 OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDERS THAT SARAH
2 MENTIONED AND OTHERS THAT HAVE ALSO COME TO FRUITION, THEY ARE
3 ALSO MAKING A SHIFT IN POLICY IN HOW WE APPROACH HOUSING AND
4 HOW WE ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. AND FINALLY, AS IT RELATES TO THE
5 ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
6 URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE SHIFTS THAT ARE HAPPENING THERE AS
7 IT RELATES TO HOW THE PROGRAM IS ADMINISTERED, HOW WE ARE TO
8 HOUSE INDIVIDUALS AND NEW REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE
9 UNDERTAKEN AS A RESULT OF THIS SHIFT. I WANT TO START WITH
10 APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM, OUR
11 LARGEST PROGRAM HERE IN THE COUNTY THAT HOUSES OVER 30,000
12 FAMILIES COUNTYWIDE, JUST WITH LACDA ALONE. THERE ARE 100,000
13 VOUCHERS COUNTYWIDE WHEN YOU COLLECTIVELY COUNT ALL 19 HOUSING
14 AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY. IN TERMS OF APPROPRIATIONS,
15 UNDER THE HOUSE AND SENATE BILLS, BOTH WOULD RESULT IN
16 SUBSTANTIVE CUTS TO OUR PROGRAM. BUT LET ME START WITH THE
17 HOUSE PROPOSAL. THE HOUSE PROPOSAL STARTS WITH FLAT FUNDING
18 FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS. THESE ARE THE PAYMENTS THAT
19 WE MAKE TO OUR PROPERTY OWNERS AND FLAT FUNDING REALLY EQUATES
20 TO A CUT BECAUSE WE ALL KNOW THAT RENTS ARE RISING. SO, IF YOU
21 GET A FLAT AMOUNT OF FUNDING, IT DOES NOT ALLOW YOU TO HOUSE
22 AS MANY HOUSEHOLDS MOVING FORWARD. WHAT'S DEVASTATING WITH THE
23 HOUSE PROPOSAL, IT INCLUDES A 28% CUT TO ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.
24 THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES ARE WHAT WE USE TO ADMINISTER THE
25 PROGRAM, TO ACTUALLY STAFF THE PROGRAM, TO BE ABLE TO HOUSE



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1 INDIVIDUALS, FOR THE INSPECTORS TO GO AND TO INSPECT THE
2 UNITS, FOR ELIGIBILITY WORKERS TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY,
3 HOUSING NAVIGATORS, ALL OF THOSE ACTIVITIES. THAT PARTICULAR
4 CUT, IF IT CAME TO FRUITION, WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO OUR
5 PROGRAM. IT WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF OVER 90 POSITIONS IN
6 THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM ALONE. NOT TO MENTION ANY OF THE SUPPORT
7 STAFF AS A STANDALONE DEPARTMENT FOR OUR HUMAN RESOURCES, IT,
8 PROCUREMENT, AND ALL OF THOSE RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES. UNDER
9 THE SENATE VERSION OF THAT SAME, FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER
10 PROGRAM, IT INCLUDES A SLIGHT INCREASE IN ADMINISTRATIVE FEES,
11 BUT FLAT FUNDING FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS. SO, ALTHOUGH
12 IT WOULD BE FAR BETTER, IT WOULD STILL EQUATE TO A CUT.
13 HISTORICALLY, WE HAVE SEEN THAT APPROPRIATIONS FALL SOMEWHERE
14 BETWEEN BOTH WHERE THE HOUSE IS AND WHERE THE SENATE IS, BUT
15 EITHER WAY, WE ANTICIPATE A SUBSTANTIVE CUT TO OUR SECTION 8
16 PROGRAM. ON THE PUBLIC HOUSING SIDE, IT IS WORSE. ON THE
17 PUBLIC HOUSING SIDE, WE WOULD STAND TO LOSE SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT
18 OF FUNDING FOR OUR OPERATING SUBSIDY. 11% CUT. OUR OPERATING
19 SUBSIDY IS WHAT PAYS FOR THE ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF OUR PUBLIC
20 HOUSING PORTFOLIO. 3,000 UNITS COUNTYWIDE IN 62 DIFFERENT
21 BUILDINGS. THAT PAYS FOR MAINTENANCE STAFF, IT PAYS FOR
22 UTILITY BILLS, THE GROUNDSKEEPING, AND THE MAINTENANCE INSIDE
23 OF THE UNITS. AS IT WAS, THAT FUNDING HAS BEEN STEADILY
24 DECREASING OVER THE YEARS, WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE HAD TO LOOK AT
25 REPOSITIONING THAT PUBLIC HOUSING PORTFOLIO. UNDER THESE



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1 SCENARIOS, THAT WOULD NEED TO BE FAST-TRACKED AND WE WOULD
2 NEED TO REPOSITION PUBLIC HOUSING MUCH QUICKER. IT CURRENTLY
3 OPERATES AT A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. SO, ANY CUTS TO THE
4 OPERATING SUBSIDY WOULD MEAN THAT THERE WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT
5 GAP IN FUNDING TO MAINTAIN THOSE UNITS. WHAT'S MORE IMPACTFUL
6 IS THE PROPOSED CUTS TO OUR CAPITAL FUND, WHICH PAYS FOR THE
7 INFRASTRUCTURE. THESE ARE THE BIG-TICKET ITEMS OF OUR
8 DEVELOPMENTS, NEW ROOFS, FLOORING, ASBESTOS REMOVAL, FIRE LIFE
9 SAFETY SYSTEMS. IF THOSE THINGS ARE CUT, THOSE WOULD BE CUT AT
10 A SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER LEVEL, A 29% REDUCTION IS WHAT'S BEING
11 PROPOSED. THAT WOULD CERTAINLY PUT A STRAIN ON LOCAL RESOURCES
12 THAT WE HAVE USED SOMETIMES TO SUPPLEMENT, LIKE CDBG,
13 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HAS BEEN USED IN THE PAST.
14 WE WOULD HAVE TO RELY ON THAT RESOURCE, WHICH BY THE WAY IS
15 ALSO BEING PROPOSED AT BEST FLAT FUNDING LEVELS. THOSE TWO
16 PROPOSALS WOULD DEVASTATE OUR HOUSING ECOSYSTEM. THERE ARE
17 OTHER PROGRAMS SUCH AS HOME AND CDBG THAT SUPPORT HOUSING
18 OPERATIONS. HOME FOR EXAMPLE UNDER THE HOUSE PROPOSAL WOULD BE
19 COMPLETELY ELIMINATED. THAT WOULD BE \$7,000,000 THAT WOULD BE
20 LOST TO SUPPORT HOUSING ACTIVITIES. AND FOR CDBG, FLAT FUNDING
21 WITH MORE JURISDICTIONS OPTING IN WOULD MEAN SOME LEVEL OF
22 CUTS TO THE COUNTY WIDE HOUSING PROGRAM. SO, WHAT'S ALSO VERY
23 PRECARIOUS IS THE POSSIBILITY OF A OF NOT HAVING
24 APPROPRIATIONS ON OCTOBER 1ST AND HAVING A CONTINUING
25 RESOLUTION. IF WE WERE TO HAVE A PROLONGED CONTINUING



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1 RESOLUTION, THAT WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACT OUR PROGRAMS. WHAT
2 TYPICALLY HAPPENS IS YOU GET FLAT LEVEL FUNDING FOR THAT
3 ENTIRE PERIOD OF TIME AND ANY RESULTING CUTS HAVE TO BE
4 IMPLEMENTED WITHIN A TRUNCATED PERIOD. SO, IF A CONTINUING
5 RESOLUTION IS PASSED SOMETIME IN MARCH OR APRIL WE WOULD ONLY
6 HAVE A FEW MONTHS TO IMPLEMENT THE ENTIRETY OF A 12 MONTH CUT.
7 SO THAT'S ANOTHER THING THAT WE'RE REALLY LOOKING OUT FOR. NOW
8 PIVOTING FROM APPROPRIATIONS, WE ALSO HAVE THE EXECUTIVE
9 ORDERS THAT SARAH MENTIONED. IT CERTAINLY WOULD PUT A STRAIN
10 ON OUR ABILITY TO FUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING. RIGHT NOW, OUR
11 AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOFA IS FOCUSED ON PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
12 HOUSING USING A HOUSING FIRST MODEL. PIVOTING FROM THAT WOULD
13 CERTAINLY BE SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO
14 RECALIBRATE THOSE FUNDS IN ORDER TO NOT PUT THEM AT RISK. AS
15 IT RELATES TO OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN, WE HAVE, AS YOU RECALL,
16 SOME COVID ERA VOUCHERS, EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS, FOLKS
17 THAT WE HOUSED DURING THE PANDEMIC TO THE TUNE OF NEARLY 3,000
18 INDIVIDUALS OR 2,000 INDIVIDUALS RATHER FOR THE COUNTY. THERE
19 WERE 4,000 IN THE CITY. THAT FUNDING IS SET TO EXPIRE AT THE
20 END OF NEXT YEAR, 2026. THAT FUNDING WAS SUPPOSED TO TAKE US
21 ALL THE WAY TO 2030, BUT THAT FUNDING HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY
22 REDUCED. I MEAN, IT'S SPENT BECAUSE OF RISING RENTAL COSTS
23 NATIONALLY. THEREFORE, WE ARE GOING TO NEED TO NOTIFY OUR
24 FAMILIES. RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE STILL 1,300 FAMILIES REMAINING
25 IN THAT PROGRAM, HALF OF WHICH ARE SENIOR OR DISABLED, THAT



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1 THEY WILL ONLY HAVE UNTIL THE END OF 2026. OUR PLAN WAS TO
2 TRANSITION THEM OVER TO THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM.
3 BUT AS YOU CAN SEE WITH THE FUNDING LEVELS BEING PROPOSED, WE
4 WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ABSORB A SIGNIFICANT TRANSITION OVER TO
5 THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM. AND AT THE CITY THAT HAS
6 DOUBLED THE AMOUNT, THEY ARE CURRENTLY IN A SHORTFALL, MEANING
7 THEY CAN'T LEASE UP ANY FAMILIES WHATSOEVER. SO, IT IS
8 CERTAINLY GOING TO PUT A STRAIN ON THE ECOSYSTEM OF THE ENTIRE
9 COUNTY. COUPLED WITH THAT, WE HAVE OTHER ACTIONS RECENTLY THAT
10 HUD HAS TAKEN ON. WE SAW THAT IN MARCH THERE WAS THE SIGNING
11 OF AN MOU WITH SECRETARY TURNER AND SECRETARY NOEM SIGNING AN
12 MOU FOR INFORMATION SHARING. THIS WAS DONE TO BASICALLY SPEAK
13 TO THE MIXED FAMILIES THAT WE HAVE WITHIN OUR HOUSING
14 PORTFOLIO. MIXED STATUS FAMILIES ARE FAMILIES THAT HAVE U.S.
15 CITIZENS THAT ARE COMPOSED IN THE HOUSEHOLD BUT HAVE PERHAPS
16 SOME INELIGIBLE MEMBERS LIVING WITHIN THAT HOUSEHOLD.
17 TYPICALLY FOR US, THERE ARE CHILDREN WHO ARE ELIGIBLE MEMBERS
18 AND THE PARENTS WHO ARE INELIGIBLE MEMBERS. MIXED STATUS
19 FAMILIES ARE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN OUR HOUSING BECAUSE THEY DO
20 NOT RECEIVE A SUBSIDY. THERE IS A PRORATION THAT IS FACTORED
21 IN SUCH THAT A SUBSIDY IS NOT EXTENDED TO MIXED-STATUS
22 FAMILIES. IN FACT, RIGHT NOW WITH OUR THE NUMBER OF MIXED-
23 STATUS FAMILIES THAT WE HAVE, IF THE 400 FAMILIES THAT WE HAVE
24 IN OUR SECTION 8 PROGRAM WERE TO BE FULLY SUBSIDIZED, WE WOULD
25 BE PAYING AN ADDITIONAL \$2,400,000 IN HOUSING ASSISTANCE



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1 PAYMENTS TO THOSE HOUSEHOLDS. BUT BECAUSE IT'S PRORATED, THE
2 FAMILIES ARE MAKING UP THAT DIFFERENCE AND PAYING THAT EXTRA
3 AMOUNT. IN OUR PUBLIC HOUSING PORTFOLIO, WE'VE GOT 50 FAMILIES
4 THAT ARE MIXED STATUS FAMILIES THAT PAY A HIGHER PORTION OF
5 THE RENT. THEY ARE THE HIGHEST RENT PAYING FAMILIES IN OUR
6 PORTFOLIO BECAUSE IT IS PRO-RATED. WE WOULD BE LOSING OUT ON
7 \$350,000 OF RENTAL REVENUE WITHOUT THOSE MIXED STATUS
8 FAMILIES. WE ALSO HAVE HAD SOME RECENT ACTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE,
9 JUST CONDUCTED AN INTERVIEW LAST WEEK, BECAUSE THERE IS WORD
10 ON THE STREET THAT HUD WILL BE IMMINENTLY ISSUING A LETTER TO
11 HOUSING AUTHORITIES ASKING THEM TO ADDRESS THE MIXED STATUS
12 HOUSEHOLDS AND TO COMMENT ON THE HUD'S ABILITY TO SHARE
13 INFORMATION AT A GREATER SCALE, PARTICULARLY FOR LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES. IT'S IRONIC BECAUSE WE HAVE ALWAYS
15 INTERNALLY TRIED TO SHARE INFORMATION WITH OUR COUNTY FAMILY
16 AS A WAY OF COORDINATING CARE, AS A WAY OF TRYING TO NOT
17 DUPLICATE EFFORTS, AND HAVE ALWAYS BEEN TOLD VEHEMENTLY BY
18 HUD, YOU CANNOT SHARE ANY OF THAT INFORMATION WITHOUT A
19 RESIDENCE RELEASE. IT IS NOT ALLOWABLE. THEREFORE, WE COULD
20 NOT DO THE GOOD WORK OF TRYING TO SUPPORT THESE FAMILIES BY
21 SHARING THAT INFORMATION. AND NOW FROM WHAT WE SEE THAT
22 INFORMATION IS GOING TO BE SHARED, DESPITE THERE BEING NO
23 CHANGES TO THE FEDERAL PRIVACY ACT. WHAT WE ARE THINKING THAT
24 INFORMATION IS GOING TO BE SHARED SO THAT FOLKS WILL THEN BE
25 IDENTIFIED. WE UPLOAD ALL OF OUR INFORMATION TO HUD SYSTEM, SO



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1 HUD HAS ALL THE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO ALL THE HOUSEHOLDS
2 THAT WE HOUSE AND THEIR STATUSES. SO, ALL OF THESE THINGS IN
3 CONCERT ARE REALLY WORKING TO PUT EXTREME AMOUNT OF PRESSURE
4 ON OUR HOUSING ECOSYSTEM. AND THE FINAL ONE IS FOR OUR
5 PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS AND FOR OUR NOFA. SINCE WE DO HAVE THIS
6 NOFA THAT FOCUSES ON THAT, THOSE ARE BECOMING MUCH MORE
7 SCARCE, SO THAT WE WILL ALREADY HAVE TO PIVOT TO A NEW MODEL,
8 BUT WE'LL PROBABLY HAVE TO FAST TRACK THAT EFFORT IN RESPONSE
9 TO THESE THREE ACTIVITIES HAPPENING SIMULTANEOUSLY. THAT
10 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION, AND WITH THAT I WILL TURN IT OVER
11 TO OUR PARTNERS OVER AT DMH.

12

13 **ELAN SHULTZ:** HI, GOOD MORNING. ELAN SCHULZ, I'M THE CHIEF OF
14 POLICY AND STRATEGY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND
15 I'M JOINED TODAY BY MS. HUNDAL.

16

17 **RIMMI HUNDAL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RIMMI HUNDAL. I'M THE
18 CHIEF DEPUTY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. I'M GOING TO
19 CONTINUE ON AND REPEAT SOME OF THE THINGS THAT MY COLLEAGUES
20 HAVE MENTIONED A FEW MINUTES AGO. AS OF RIGHT NOW, WE DO NOT
21 BELIEVE THERE ARE ANY IMMEDIATE IMPACTS TO DMH OR TO OUR
22 MENTAL HEALTH PLAN SYSTEM. THAT IS BECAUSE THE EXECUTIVE ORDER
23 DID NOT IMPLEMENT ANY IMMEDIATE CHANGES ON ITS OWN. RATHER,
24 THE EXECUTIVE ORDER INSTRUCTS FEDERAL AGENCIES TO ISSUE
25 GUIDANCE AND REGULATIONS THAT WILL IMPLEMENT THE VISION OF THE



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1 EXECUTIVE ORDER. ONCE THOSE REGULATIONS AND GUIDANCE ARE
2 ISSUED, WE WILL HAVE A MUCH BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW THE
3 DEPARTMENT OR OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM AND OUR CLIENTS WILL BE
4 IMPACTED. TODAY, I WILL BE SHARING SOME OF THE DEPARTMENT'S
5 THOUGHTS ON ABOUT HOW OUR OPERATING AND FUNDING ENVIRONMENTS
6 MAY CHANGE DUE TO THE EXECUTIVE ORDER, BUT PLEASE UNDERSTAND
7 THAT THIS MAY CHANGE RAPIDLY AS NEW FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND
8 GUIDANCE IS RELEASED. AT THIS TIME, WE ANTICIPATE THAT
9 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WILL IMPACT DMH AND OUR
10 MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM IN SEVERAL WAYS. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER
11 INSTRUCTS FEDERAL AGENCIES TO MOVE AWAY FROM THE HOUSING FIRST
12 MODEL AND MOVE TOWARDS MODELS OF HOUSING THAT REQUIRE CLIENTS
13 TO RECEIVE TREATMENT WHILE THEY ARE IN HOUSING. IT SHOULD BE
14 NOTED THAT THERE ARE UNRESOLVED LEGAL QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW A
15 MOVE FROM FEDERAL AGENCIES AWAY FROM A HOUSING FIRST MODEL
16 WILL IMPACT US IN CALIFORNIA, WHICH HAS OFFICIALLY ADOPTED A
17 HOUSING FIRST MODEL. IN FACT, THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES
18 ACT REQUIRES COUNTIES TO ALLOCATE ALL BHSA HOUSING FUNDS
19 STARTING IN MID 2026 TO HOUSING PROGRAMS THAT UTILIZE A
20 HOUSING FIRST MODEL. IT IS NOT YET CLEAR HOW THIS CONFLICT
21 BETWEEN STATE LAW AND EXECUTIVE ORDER WILL BE RESOLVED. IT IS
22 POSSIBLE THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD NO LONGER BE ABLE TO
23 LEVERAGE FEDERAL FUNDING THAT OUR HOUSING SYSTEMS CURRENTLY
24 RECEIVE. THIS MAY COMPEL THE DEPARTMENT TO REALLOCATE OUR
25 RESOURCES, INCLUDING BHSA HOUSING FUNDS, TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY



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1 SHORTFALLS IN PROGRAMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING FEDERAL
2 HOUSING RESOURCES. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME OF OUR HOUSING
3 PROGRAMS IN WHICH DMH REFERS CLIENTS WHO ARE CURRENTLY
4 RECEIVING DMH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO HOUSING PROGRAMS MAY
5 NOT BE IMPACTED BECAUSE THESE CLIENTS ARE ALREADY RECEIVING
6 TREATMENT SERVICES. HOWEVER, IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT WE WILL
7 HAVE TO ALTER OUR INTAKE AND CLIENT FLOW PROCESSES FOR OTHER
8 PROGRAMS THAT USE A MORE TRADITIONAL HOUSING FIRST MODEL.
9 EXAMPLES OF THESE PROGRAMS INCLUDE THE CONTINUUM OF CARE
10 CONTRACT WITH HACLA AND LACTA, HOMELESS AND NEST SECTION 8
11 VOUCHERS, AND TENANT-BASED SUPPORTIVE HOUSING THROUGH THE
12 HOUSING AUTHORITY OF L.A. CITY. BUT AS STATED EARLIER, MUCH OF
13 THIS WILL ALSO DEPEND ON HOW THE STATE REACTS TO THE EXECUTIVE
14 ORDER. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ALSO INSTRUCTS FEDERAL AGENCIES TO
15 STOP FUNDING HARM REDUCTION PROGRAMS. THIS IS UNLIKELY TO
16 IMPACT DMH DIRECTLY AS WE DO NOT OPERATE OR FUND SUCH
17 PROGRAMS. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ALSO SUPPORTS CIVIL COMMITMENT
18 AND INSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS
19 MENTAL ILLNESS OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER WHO ARE UNSHELTERED
20 AND UNABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES. IT IS NOT CLEAR HOW
21 THIS ELEMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WILL BE IMPLEMENTED OR
22 ACTED UPON. AS MOST CIVIL COMMITMENTS AND
23 INSTITUTIONALIZATIONS ARE GUIDED BY STATE LAWS AND
24 REGULATIONS. HOWEVER, THIS MAY RESULT IN AN INCREASE OF
25 CLIENTS BEING REFERRED INTO OUR MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTIONS AS



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1 WELL AS AN INCREASE IN CASES BEING REFERRED TO THE PUBLIC
2 GUARDIAN. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT MORE RESIDENTS WILL BE
3 PLACED IN INVOLUNTARY HOLES AND PUSHED INTO OUR CRIMINAL
4 JUSTICE SYSTEM. IF ANY OF THESE POSSIBILITIES OCCUR, THEN WE
5 CAN EXPECT TO SEE A RISE IN PRESSURE AND CLIENT FLOW TO OUR
6 LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES. WE CAN ALSO EXPECT
7 AN INCREASE IN INVESTIGATION CASELOADS FOR THE PUBLIC
8 GUARDIAN. HOWEVER, WE ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT THERE MAY BE AN
9 OPPORTUNITY FOR ALIGNMENT WITH THE WHITE HOUSE ON AN ISSUE
10 THAT HAS LONG BEEN A TOP ADVOCACY PRIORITY FOR THE COUNTY AND
11 FOR THIS BOARD, THE RELAXING OR LIFTING OF THE IMD EXCLUSION
12 RULE. THE RULE PREVENTS FACILITIES THAT ARE LARGER THAN 16
13 BEDS FROM DRAWING DOWN FEDERAL MEDICAID DOLLARS AND IS ONE OF
14 THE BIGGEST REGULATORY AND FUNDING OBSTACLES THAT COUNTIES
15 FACE WHEN ATTEMPTING TO EXPAND THEIR TREATMENT SYSTEMS. DMH
16 AND THE CEO OFFICES ARE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN ADVOCACY EFFORTS
17 WITH BOTH THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION AND MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS
18 TO RELAX OR LIFT THE IMD EXCLUSION ENTIRELY. WE BELIEVE THAT
19 IF FEDERAL MEDICAID FUNDS ARE ALLOWED TO SUPPORT SERVICES
20 DELIVERED AT THESE FACILITIES, NOT ONLY WOULD IT ALLOW US TO
21 EXPAND CAPACITY IN OUR TREATMENT SYSTEM, BUT IT WOULD ALSO
22 ALIGN WITH THE EXECUTIVE ORDER'S VISION OF GETTING PEOPLE WITH
23 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CHALLENGES OFF THE STREETS AND INTO
24 TREATMENT. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. NOW I'LL PASS IT ON
25 TO MY COLLEAGUE FROM PUBLIC HEALTH, DR. MAHAJAN.



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2 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. ANISH MAHAJAN,
3 CHIEF DEPUTY AT PUBLIC HEALTH. I'M GOING TO START WITH THREE
4 OVERARCHING POINTS AND THEN MOVE TO SOME SPECIFIC PROGRAMMATIC
5 IMPACTS AT DPH. PUBLIC HEALTH SHARES THE CONCERNS OF OUR
6 SISTER DEPARTMENTS ABOUT THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT WOULD
7 UNDERMINE WHAT WE KNOW IS ESTABLISHED AND EFFECTIVE, WHICH IS
8 HOUSING FIRST, WHICH WE'VE BEEN HEARING ABOUT THESE STRATEGIES
9 SUPPORT HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE AT IN THEIR RECOVERY
10 CONTINUUM, ENSURING ONGOING ACCESS TO TREATMENT AND ENGAGEMENT
11 IN SERVICES. THE SECOND OVERARCHING POINT IS ABOUT HARM
12 REDUCTION. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER UNDERMINES COMPREHENSIVE HARM
13 REDUCTION EFFORTS THAT ARE DEMONSTRATED TO BE EFFECTIVE AT
14 REDUCING COMMUNICABLE DISEASE RISK, INCREASING ENGAGEMENT IN
15 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT SERVICES, ALL DOING THAT
16 WITHOUT NEGATIVELY HARMING THE COMMUNITY. FINALLY, OTHER
17 PROVISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WILL INCREASE THE RELIANCE
18 ON COERCED INSTITUTIONALIZATION, WHICH IS LIKELY TO FURTHER
19 DETER INDIVIDUALS STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER FROM
20 COMING FORWARD AND ENGAGING IN CARE. LET ME MOVE NOW TO SOME
21 SPECIFIC PROGRAMMATIC IMPACTS. I'M GOING TO START WITH OUR
22 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL BUREAU AT DPH. THIS
23 EXECUTIVE ORDER, AS I MENTIONED, UNDERMINES COMPREHENSIVE HARM
24 REDUCTION APPROACHES AND IT REINFORCES A STIGMA ON PEOPLE
25 STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. THE ORDER DIRECTS



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1 DISCRETIONARY GRANTS THAT ARE ISSUED BY ONE OF THE AGENCIES AT
2 HHS CALLED THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
3 ADMINISTRATION, ALSO KNOWN AS SAMHSA. THIS IS THE FEDERAL
4 AGENCY THAT FUNDS SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES. IT SAYS,
5 THIS NEW GUIDANCE THAT CAME OUT SAYS THAT IT WOULD FUND ONLY,
6 QUOTE, EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS AND DO NOT FUND PROGRAMS THAT
7 FAIL TO ACHIEVE ADEQUATE OUTCOMES, INCLUDING SO-CALLED, QUOTE,
8 HARM REDUCTION OR QUOTE, SAFE CONSUMPTION EFFORTS THAT ONLY
9 FACILITATE ILLEGAL DRUG USE AND ITS ATTENDANT HARM. SO, ON THE
10 FACE OF IT, IT SOUNDS INNOCUOUS, AND IT MEANS THAT EVIDENCE-
11 BASED SYRINGE EXCHANGE SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN BACKED BY
12 DECADES OF RESEARCH AND BACKED UP BY THE CDC BECAUSE THERE'S
13 DECADES OF RESEARCH PROVING ITS EFFICACY AND EFFICIENCY, ARE
14 SAYING THAT THESE ARE PART OF COMPREHENSIVE HARM REDUCTION
15 SERVICES AND CANNOT BE FUNDED USING FEDERAL FUNDS. HERE IN
16 L.A. COUNTY, SAPC AT DPH RUNS THE ENGAGEMENT AND OVERDOSE
17 PREVENTION HUBS THAT PROVIDE HARM REDUCTION, SYRINGE SERVICES,
18 NALOXONE, OUTREACH, REFERRALS, AND MEDICAL CARE AS A
19 COMPREHENSIVE HARM REDUCTION PACKAGE. OUR STRATEGIES HAVE BEEN
20 SUCCESSFUL AND WE'VE SEEN DOWNWARD TRENDS IN OVERDOSES. WITH
21 THE LARGEST DECREASES IN OVERDOSE DEATHS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 IN 2024, WE SAW A 22% REDUCTION IN OVERALL OVERDOSE AND
23 POISONING DEATHS, AND A 37% REDUCTION IN FENTANYL-RELATED
24 OVERDOSES. AT L.A. COUNTY, WE RECEIVE \$700,000 ANNUALLY FROM
25 THE CDC'S OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION GRANT THAT SUPPORTS OUR



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1 HUBS. NOW, THE GUIDANCE I MENTIONED FROM SAMHSA DESCRIBES SOME
2 ONGOING ALLOWABLE HARM REDUCTION ACTIVITIES. SO NOT ALL HARM
3 REDUCTION IS PROHIBITED BY THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER. AND SO, IT
4 TURNS OUT THAT THE FEDERAL FUNDING THAT WE ARE UTILIZING FROM
5 THE CDC AND IN OTHER PARTS OF DPH COMPORTS WITH THE ALLOWABLE
6 ACTIVITIES THAT SAMHSA HAS LAID OUT. SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT
7 WILL BE PRESERVED AND CONTINUING. WE DO NOT USE FEDERAL FUNDS
8 FOR THE HARM REDUCTION SERVICES THAT ARE NOT ALLOWED UNDER THE
9 EOP. WE ACTUALLY USE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING TO FUND THAT.
10 FINALLY, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT L.A. COUNTY DOES NOT FUND
11 SAFER CONSUMPTION SITES, SO THE PRECLUSION OF FUNDING FOR
12 THESE EVIDENCE-BASED STRATEGIES IN THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER WILL
13 NOT HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT ON WHAT WE DO. HOUSING FIRST BEING
14 UNDERMINED IS LIKELY TO STRAIN OUR RECOVERY BRIDGE HOUSING AND
15 OUR RECOVERY HOUSING THAT WE ALL FEEL WE NEED MORE OF. IT'S
16 LIKELY TO STRAIN IT. THE SHIFT TOWARD COERCION AND INVOLUNTARY
17 SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT IS LIKELY, AS I SAID, TO DETER
18 INDIVIDUALS STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER FROM COMING
19 FORWARD AND ENGAGING IN TREATMENT. CALIFORNIA ALREADY HAS A
20 NUMBER OF MECHANISMS FOR INVOLUNTARY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE,
21 LPS, AOT, CARE COORDINATE, THERE'S A NUMBER OF THINGS, AND IT
22 FEELS TO US THAT FEDERAL MANDATES COULD BE DUPLICATIVE AND
23 COUNTERPRODUCTIVE AS IT RELATES TO COMMITMENT. THE EO DIRECTS
24 THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PRIORITIZE GRANT FUNDING FOR DRUG
25 COURTS. THIS MAY POTENTIALLY INCREASE FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR DRUG



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1 COURTS, WHICH ARE VOLUNTARY AND MAY ACTUALLY BE SOMETHING
2 BENEFICIAL AND WOULD BENEFIT US IN THE COUNTY AND BENEFIT THE
3 PARTICIPANTS IF THERE'S EXPANDED OPTIONS FOR THAT. SO THAT'S A
4 SMALL POSITIVE IN THE EXECUTIVE ORDER. FINALLY, THE DATA
5 SHARING WE JUST HEARD WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT IS LIKELY TO,
6 AGAIN, SORT OF WEAKEN THE TRUST OF PEOPLE COMING FORWARD FOR
7 SERVICES AND COMING TO USE OUR SERVICES. I'M GOING TO MOVE NOW
8 QUICKLY TO HARM REDUCTION THAT WE'RE FUNDING THROUGH OUR
9 DIVISION OF HIV AND STD PROGRAMS. OUR DIVISION OF HIV AND STD
10 PROGRAMS ARE FUNDING HARM REDUCTION, FUNDING HIV AND STI
11 SCREENING AMONG PERSONS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, INCLUDING
12 AT OUR EOP HUBS I MENTIONED JUST NOW. DHSP INVESTS
13 APPROXIMATELY \$200,000 IN CDC HIV PREVENTION AND ENDING THE
14 HIV EPIDEMIC FUNDING ANNUALLY FOR HARM REDUCTION SERVICES THAT
15 ARE DELIVERED BY OUR COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERS AS PART OF
16 OVERALL HIV CONTROL EFFORTS. THE HARM REDUCTION SERVICES HELP
17 PREVENT HIV AND HEPATITIS C, IT HELPS PROMOTE SEXUAL HEALTH,
18 AND OVERALL HELPS CONNECT INDIVIDUALS STRUGGLING WITH RISKS
19 FOR THESE INFECTIONS WITH SUD TREATMENT AND CARE. WE'RE SEEING
20 BASICALLY AN OVERALL STIGMATIZATION OF PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH
21 SUD AND WHO MAY HAVE CO-OCCURRING CHALLENGES WITH INFECTIOUS
22 DISEASES AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS. FINALLY, IN OUR
23 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL DIVISION, WE'VE WORKED HARD OVER
24 THE YEARS TO WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS IN HOUSING TO SHARE DATA,
25 AND THOSE DATA SYSTEMS ARE AT RISK AS FEDERAL FUNDING IS



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1 REDUCED. WE USE THOSE DATA SYSTEMS TO MONITOR FOR OUTBREAKS OF
2 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AMONG HOMELESS, PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
3 HOMELESSNESS, AND AS A KEY PART OF HOW WE CAN RESPOND QUICKLY
4 TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AMONG
5 VULNERABLE GROUPS LIKE THAT. I THINK I'LL LEAVE IT THERE.

6

7 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** THANKS. SUPERVISORS, THAT'S THE END OF OUR
8 PRESENTATION, SO WE'LL TURN IT OVER TO YOU FOR QUESTIONS.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.
11 WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HANH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WELL, THERE'S A LOT
14 IN THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER TO NOT LIKE, AND THOSE WERE ALL VERY
15 THOROUGH REPORTS. BUT FOR THE PUBLIC LISTENING, THERE'S A LOT
16 OF PEOPLE THAT ARE, AT LEAST THIS GUY'S DOING SOMETHING,
17 RIGHT? WE ALSO FEEL LIKE MAYBE THERE'S NOT ENOUGH
18 ACCOUNTABILITY IN OUR HOMELESS PROGRAMS. AND THE PUBLIC IS
19 FEELING A LITTLE BIT LIKE, IS THIS AN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX
20 THAT'S NOT ACTUALLY SOLVING THE PROBLEM? SO, SARAH, I WAS
21 GOING TO TALK WITH YOU AND MAYBE EMILIO, YOU CAN FILL IN, AND
22 MAYBE EVEN DR. GHALY, IN TERMS OF THE HOUSING FIRST. THAT'S
23 THE ONE THAT HITS ME THE BIGGEST. AND FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE,
24 RIGHT, IT WASN'T ALWAYS THE LAW OF THE LAND. I FEEL LIKE IT
25 WASN'T, EVEN WHEN I FIRST RAN FOR OFFICE, IT WAS PRETTY MUCH,



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1 IF WE'RE GOING TO GIVE YOU A HOUSE OR A ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD,
2 YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOME STUFF. YOU'VE GOT TO GET INTO A DRUG
3 TREATMENT PROGRAM. YOU'VE GOT TO SHOW THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO
4 IMPROVE YOURSELF, PULL YOURSELF UP BY YOUR OWN BOOTSTRAPS.
5 WELL, I THINK EVERYBODY FOUND OUT THAT REALLY DIDN'T WORK
6 BECAUSE WHEN YOU'RE ON THE STREETS SURVIVING TRYING TO MAKE IT
7 THROUGH A NIGHT YOU KNOW HOMELESSNESS LEADS TO ALCOHOL ABUSE
8 AND DRUG ABUSE BECAUSE YOU'RE REALLY TRYING TO SURVIVE AND I
9 THINK THE PEOPLE THAT WERE SMARTER DECIDED THAT'S NOT REALLY
10 WORKING. YOU CAN'T GET YOUR LIFE TOGETHER WHEN YOU'RE LAYING
11 ON THE SIDEWALK ALL NIGHT LONG. SO LET'S DO HOUSING FIRST. BUT
12 I THINK LISTENING TO ALL OF YOU, YOU KNOW, IF EITHER SARAH OR
13 EMILIO OR I WOULD THINK DR. GHALY WOULD ALSO SAY IF HOUSING
14 FIRST WASN'T AVAILABLE, WE'D PROBABLY SEE A LOT MORE PEOPLE IN
15 OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS, RIGHT? SO MAYBE WHY TO THE PUBLIC, MAYBE
16 WHO'S NEVER REALLY PAID ATTENTION TO THIS, HOUSING FIRST,
17 BECAUSE I THINK IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A STRATEGY GOING
18 FORWARD, WE GOT TO BRING THE PUBLIC ALONG WITH US, BECAUSE
19 THEY'VE GOT, THEY'VE BEEN A LITTLE FATIGUED OUT THERE TOO.
20 WHAT ABOUT HOUSING FIRST MAKES SENSE? AND THEN ALSO SARAH, IT
21 WAS A LITTLE CONFUSING TO ME. WHEN I'M READING IT, IT SOUNDS
22 LIKE THEY'RE BANNING, THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER BANS ALL FEDERAL
23 DOLLARS THAT GO TO HOUSING FIRST PROGRAMS. BUT THEN IT SEEMS
24 LIKE YOU QUANTIFIED A LITTLE BIT BY SAYING UNLESS WE GET
25 FURTHER GUIDANCE, WE DON'T NEED TO CHANGE ANYTHING. SO, I WAS



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1 A LITTLE CONFUSED ABOUT THAT. AND THEN ALSO, IS THIS GOING TO
2 AFFECT OUR HOME KEY PROJECTS? BECAUSE THOSE ARE PROJECT-BASED
3 VOUCHERS, I THINK, EMILIO. AND IS IT GOING TO AFFECT, BECAUSE
4 I THINK OUR HOME KEY PROJECTS ARE OUR BEST BET, RIGHT? WE GOT
5 THE WHOLE HOTEL. WE CAN DECIDE WHO GOES IN, WHEN THEY GO IN,
6 HOW LONG THEY CAN GO IN. I STILL FEEL LIKE THAT'S OUR BEST
7 STRATEGY, BUT I WASN'T QUITE SURE ON HOW THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER
8 FIGURED THAT. SO, A LITTLE BIT MORE JUST TO THE PUBLIC. WHY
9 DID WE ALL CHANGE THIS POLICY INSTEAD OF HAVING SOMEONE EARN
10 THEIR RIGHT TO HAVE A ROOF OVER THEIR HEAD?

11

12 **SARAH MAHIN:** SURE. THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR.
13 I'LL TAKE THE SECOND QUESTION FIRST AND THEN I'LL GO BACK TO
14 HOUSING FIRST. SO JUST EXPLAIN HOW THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WORKS A
15 LITTLE BIT. IT SETS FORTH DIRECTION FROM THE PRESIDENT TO
16 FEDERAL AGENCIES AND TO THE SECRETARIES AT HUD AND HHS. SO,
17 WHAT WE'RE WAITING TO SEE IS HOW THOSE DEPARTMENTS, THOSE
18 FEDERAL AGENCIES TAKE THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER AND TRANSLATE IT
19 INTO THEIR FUNDING RFPS, NOTICES OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY, SO
20 THAT WE CAN UNDERSTAND THEN HOW IT WILL IMPACT FUNDING THAT
21 COMES TO US.

22

23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** IT DOESN'T EXACTLY BAN THAT \$250 MILLION FROM
24 ANYTHING THAT SPEAKS OF HOUSING FIRST.

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1 **SARAH MAHIN:** CORRECT, BUT IT SETS FORWARD, IT INSTRUCTS THE
2 HUD SECRETARY TO PRIORITIZE JURISDICTIONS THAT DO NOT USE
3 HOUSING FIRST AND THAT BAN PEOPLE FROM SLEEPING IN PUBLIC
4 SPACES AND INCENTIVIZES ENFORCEMENT. SO, IT DOES THIS, AND SO
5 WE'RE WAITING AGAIN TO SEE HOW THIS WILL COME THROUGH THE
6 VARIOUS DIFFERENT FUNDING STREAMS, MOST NOTABLY THE CONTINUUM
7 OF CARE FUNDING. AND WE KNOW THAT HUD IS GOING TO BE RELEASING
8 THE APPLICATION FOR THAT. AND SO, AT THAT POINT, WE'LL
9 UNDERSTAND EXACTLY HOW THIS WILL APPLY TO EXISTING, WHAT ARE
10 CONSIDERED RENEWAL GRANTS, VERSUS NEW GRANTS, AND
11 UNDERSTANDING HOW MUCH IMPACT IT WILL HAVE ON OUR EXISTING
12 USES OF THE FUNDING, AS OPPOSED TO US SEEKING NEW FUNDING TO
13 BRING IN. WE HISTORICALLY GO AFTER NEW FUNDING. WE DO NOT
14 ANTICIPATE THAT L.A. WILL BE COMPETITIVE FOR NEW FUNDING, AND
15 WE WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE'LL IMPACT OUR EXISTING GRANTS AND
16 USES OF THE FUNDING. SO, WE ARE CAUTIOUS WHILE WE WAIT FOR
17 THAT TO COME DOWN. AND WE DO ANTICIPATE HUD HAS STARTED TO
18 RELEASE INFORMATION SIGNALING THAT THOSE APPLICATIONS WILL BE
19 COMING SOON.

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND WHY IS HOUSING FIRST? WHY IS THAT?

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23 **SARAH MAHIN:** AND THEN HOUSING FIRST, YEAH. SO, HOUSING FIRST
24 WAS ADOPTED AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AS FEDERAL POLICY UNDER THE
25 GEORGE W. BUSH ADMINISTRATION. AND IT WAS REALLY AFTER SAMHSA



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1 RECOGNIZED HOUSING FIRST AS AN EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE,
2 MEANING IT WENT THROUGH THOROUGH RESEARCH AND DATA REVIEWS TO
3 CONFIRM THAT IT IS AND VALIDATES THAT IT IS AN EFFECTIVE
4 PRACTICE, PARTICULARLY FOR PEOPLE WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS
5 AND WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU HAVE
6 TO ADDRESS PEOPLE'S IMMEDIATE NEEDS. THEY'RE LOOKING FOR
7 SHELTER, THEY'RE LOOKING FOR HOUSING, THEY'RE LOOKING FOR
8 SAFETY SO THAT THEN THEY CAN ENGAGE IN SERVICES LIKE MENTAL
9 HEALTH TREATMENT SERVICES, EMPLOYMENT. AND SO, IT HAS REALLY
10 DEMONSTRATED TIME AND TIME AGAIN THAT IT IS AN EFFECTIVE
11 APPROACH.

12
13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHY CAN'T THEY GET ALL THAT STUFF WHILE
14 THEY'RE LAYING ON THE STREET?

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16 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH, AND WE USE HOUSING FIRST. OUR LARGEST
17 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM IN L.A. COUNTY IS RUN BY
18 HOUSING FOR HEALTH USING THE INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT
19 SERVICES. WE'VE GOT 25,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSED FOR THAT
20 PROGRAM. THAT PROGRAM HAS A 94% RETENTION RATE AFTER ONE YEAR,
21 85% AFTER TWO YEARS. AGAIN, DEMONSTRATING THAT WE HAVE STRONG
22 EFFICACY. I ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT HOUSING FIRST DOES NOT MEAN
23 HOUSING ONLY. WE BRING TREATMENT TO PEOPLE WHERE THEY LIVE. WE
24 WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH OUR SISTER DEPARTMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT
25 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SAPC TO MAKE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE



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1 BEFORE THEY GET INTO HOUSING, WHILE THEY'RE IN THE PROCESS OF
2 GETTING INTO HOUSING AND THEN ONCE THEY'RE IN HOUSING BECAUSE
3 WE WANT THAT PEOPLE TO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AT ANY POINT
4 ALONG THE WAY AND WE KNOW THAT FOR MOST PEOPLE IT'S GOING TO
5 BE MOST SUCCESSFUL AFTER THEY GET INTO HOUSING BUT WE WANT
6 THAT TREATMENT TO BE AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THEIR PATH
7 AND RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF IT.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, WE DO GIVE THOSE SERVICES ON THE STREET?

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11 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY WE DO WE BRING THOSE SERVICES WHEREVER
12 THEY LIVE.

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14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SO, IT'S NOT HOUSING FIRST BEFORE WE HELP
15 YOU. IT'S SORT OF LIKE --

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17 **SARAH MAHIN:** IT'S BOTH ENDS. WE CAN WALK AND CHEW GUM AT THE
18 SAME TIME, RIGHT? WE CAN CONNECT PEOPLE TO SERVICES, ENGAGE
19 THEM IN THAT WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY WORKING WITH THEM ON GETTING
20 THEM INTO PERMANENT HOUSING. AND THOSE TWO THINGS DON'T NEED
21 TO BE EXCLUSIVE. THEY CAN HAPPEN TOGETHER AND WE CONTINUE TO
22 EVOLVE AND IMPROVE OUR PRACTICE IN THIS.

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24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BUT THE BEST MINDS SORT OF BELIEVE THAT THEY
25 DO A LOT BETTER WHEN THEY'RE IN A NICE SAFE PLACE, CLEAN BED,



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1 SHOWER, FOOD. I MEAN, MOST PEOPLE RESPOND BETTER TO HELP WHEN
2 THEY'RE INSIDE.

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4 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY, AND AFTER A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP.

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6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR PEOPLE. SO,
7 IT'S A POLICY THAT WE WANT TO KEEP FIGHTING FOR OR NOT?

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9 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY, IT IS. IT'S AN EFFECTIVE PRACTICE
10 THAT WE WANT TO CONTINUE AND I THINK THAT WE KNOW OUR VALUES
11 IN L.A. COUNTY AND WE KNOW THAT OUR VALUES ARE ABOUT
12 EMPOWERING PEOPLE, ABOUT PROMOTING DIGNITY, ABOUT GETTING
13 PEOPLE INTO HOUSING, BUT ALSO ABOUT GETTING PEOPLE CONNECTED
14 TO TREATMENT AND TO SERVICES. AND SO, WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO
15 BOTH THINGS.

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. WELL, I CERTAINLY THINK
18 THAT WE OUGHT TO REALLY UP OUR LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY AND MAKE
19 SURE THAT OUR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, OUR OLD AND NEW MEMBERS OF
20 CONGRESS, UNDERSTAND HOW VALUABLE HOUSING FIRST IS AND THE
21 DEVASTATING EFFECTS IT COULD HAVE IN SO MANY AREAS,
22 PARTICULARLY ON OUR, I THINK ON OUR HOSPITALS AND OUR
23 EMERGENCY ROOMS, IF IN FACT, WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO
24 CONTINUE THAT. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK LAIR FOR
 4 GIVING US AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT'S TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW AS THE
 5 CONGRESS AND THE SENATE RECONVENE. AND I HAVE, I MEAN, I DON'T
 6 HAVE A LOT OF FAITH THAT THEY'RE GOING TO RESOLVE ANY
 7 APPROPRIATIONS BILLS. TYPICALLY, WHAT THEY DO IS GO INTO A CR.
 8 SO WE'RE GOING TO BE FLAT FUNDED AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO SAY
 9 EXACTLY AS YOU SAID, EMILIO, THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
 10 SOMEHOW COME UP WITH A PLAN AND STRATEGY. SO, WE SHOULD BE
 11 THINKING ABOUT THAT VERY SERIOUSLY. I DON'T SEE THIS CONGRESS
 12 MOVING IN THE DIRECTION THAT THIS COUNTY HAS BEEN MOVING IN.
 13 IN FACT, THE BIG BETTER BILL THAT'S BEEN TALKED ABOUT IS A BIG
 14 UGLY BAD BILL, AND IT'S AN ASSAULT ON PEOPLE OF POVERTY. SOME
 15 OF US GREW UP WHEN THE 1965 CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION AND
 16 LYNDON B. JOHNSON AND THEY PROCLAIMED THE WAR ON POVERTY.
 17 WELL, THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING. THEY'RE CREATING POVERTY, BUT
 18 THEY'RE ALSO GOING AFTER THE MOST VULNERABLE. AND I KNOW THAT
 19 AT LEAST IN MY AREA, WE HAVE SEEN THESE IMPACTS SINCE COVID.
 20 SO, WE HAVEN'T EVEN MADE, I THINK, OUR ABILITY TO ACHIEVE
 21 ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE THAT REALLY NEED IT. NOW, WE'RE TAKING
 22 EVERYTHING AWAY, INCLUDING FAMILIES THAT HAVE MIXED HOUSES,
 23 WHERE HUD IS NOW GOING TO BE USED AS A SLEDGEHAMMER TO FORCE
 24 PEOPLE OUT OF THEIR HOUSING. AND IT'S GOING TO BE SENIORS,
 25 IT'S GOING TO INCREASE MORE PEOPLE ON THE STREETS, UNHOUSED



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1 PEOPLE, AND IT WILL CREATE MORE CRIME. IN ADDITION, IF THESE
2 PEOPLE DON'T GET ANY ASSISTANCE THROUGH DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
3 HEALTH OR PUBLIC HEALTH OR ANY ONE OF OUR AGENCIES HERE, THERE
4 WILL BE AN INCREASE IN OUR JAIL SYSTEM. AND I THINK
5 APPROPRIATELY SPEAKING, THE NEXT TIME WE HAVE A DISCUSSION ON
6 THIS MATTER, THE BUDGET, WE OUGHT TO BE HAVING THE SHERIFF
7 TALK ABOUT WHAT THE IMPLICATIONS ARE AND WHAT THAT IMPACT WILL
8 BE ON THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, WHICH I DON'T THINK WILL BE CALLED
9 THE JUSTICE SYSTEM BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO NOW CRIMINALIZE
10 HOMELESSNESS. AND ALSO, I JUST FEEL THAT WE DO NEED TO KIND OF
11 LIFT UP OUR VOICES MORE. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT EACH OF YOU, IN
12 THE CONTEXT THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE GOING OUT AND TALKING TO
13 THE PUBLIC, AND I KNOW YOU'RE DOING THAT, SOME OF YOU ARE
14 DOING THAT RIGHT NOW IS TO REALLY MAKE CLEAR TO THEM WHAT IS
15 COMING THEIR WAY AND TO BE PREPARED AND WE CAN'T WAIT. WE'RE
16 ALREADY BEHIND. THIS THING STARTED IN JANUARY. THERE WAS
17 ALREADY A MAP, A PLAN THAT THE REPUBLICANS AND THIS
18 ADMINISTRATION WERE PUTTING FORWARD, AND IT'S IN AN 800 PAGE
19 DOCUMENT THAT LAYS OUT EXACTLY WHAT THESE DEPARTMENTS SHOULD
20 BE DOING. SO, I DON'T HAVE ANY DOUBT THAT THE DEPARTMENTS
21 ALREADY HAVE THEIR REGULATIONS IN PLACE, AND YOU'LL PROBABLY
22 BE GETTING THOSE SOON. AND IN FACT, WHAT YOUR BIGGEST FEAR IS
23 GOING TO BE IS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO PUT IT IN WRITING. AND
24 WHAT I FEAR IS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO CLAW BACK THE GRANTS THAT
25 WE HAVE BEEN RELYING ON FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. EVEN THINGS



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1 THAT WE JUST PLANNED FOR THREE YEARS AGO, THEY'RE GOING TO
2 CLAW BACK. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THE PUBLIC REALLY FULLY
3 UNDERSTANDS THAT. SO, SOME OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE
4 UNDERTAKING AND THAT WE'VE ALREADY PUT FORWARD, INCLUDING
5 REDUCTION HARM SERVICES ON SKID ROW AND MACARTHUR PARK. I WANT
6 TO ASK PUBLIC HEALTH, WHERE DO YOU SEE THIS GOING AND
7 ESPECIALLY AS WE OUTLINED AIM, CALAIM MONEY BECAUSE THAT WAS
8 SUPPOSED TO HELP US THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO HELP
9 PROVIDE THESE SERVICES. SO JUST QUICKLY, COULD YOU TELL ME
10 WHAT THAT MEANS SINCE WE JUST OPENED UP THIS NEW HUB, HARM
11 REDUCTION CENTER ON SKID ROW, CROCKER STREET?

12

13 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** YEAH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE ARE HOPEFUL
14 THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO USE ALTERNATE SOURCES OF FUNDING TO
15 KEEP THOSE EXACT SERVICES GOING AND ALL OF OUR HARM REDUCTION
16 SERVICES GOING UTILIZING ALTERNATE SOURCES OF FUNDING NOT
17 FEDERAL FUNDS.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO, WHAT EXACTLY DOES THAT MEAN? WHERE WILL
20 YOU GET THAT?

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22 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** WELL, YOU KNOW, AS YOU KNOW SUPERVISOR, WE
23 ARE UTILIZING OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS, AND YOU KNOW, IT DOES,
24 AGAIN, I WILL PUT A PLUG IN THAT, YOU KNOW, OPIOID SETTLEMENT
25 FUNDS OUGHT TO BE UTILIZED FOR EXACTLY THESE KINDS OF PURPOSES



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1 TO HELP US STEM WHAT WE NEED IS PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FOR
2 SUBSTANCE USE. SO OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS ARE AN IMPORTANT
3 SOURCE. THE CFCI FUNDING SOURCE IS ALSO THERE, AND WE'VE BEEN
4 UTILIZING THAT AS WELL.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUT IT'S LIMITED. SO, GIVEN WHAT YOU THINK
7 YOU MIGHT HAVE THERE ON HAND, WHAT IS THE BALANCE THAT WE
8 REALLY NEED? BECAUSE MY SENSE IS I KNOW THERE ISN'T SUFFICIENT
9 FUNDS IN THE OPIOID FUND OR CFCI. SO, WHAT ARE WE REALLY
10 LOOKING AT? WE'RE LOOKING AT A REDUCTION OF SERVICES AND
11 PEOPLE. AND I HAVEN'T HEARD THAT FROM EVERYBODY HERE IN TERMS
12 OF REDUCTION IN YOUR WORKFORCE.

13

14 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** YEAH, I WOULD JUST ADD, SUPERVISOR, YOU'RE
15 ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. I MEAN, IN FACT, WE WERE IN A STANCE OF
16 GROWING OUR INVESTMENTS, OR WANTING TO GROW OUR INVESTMENTS TO
17 MATCH THE NEED, AS YOU'RE POINTING OUT, AND NOW WE'RE IN A
18 PHASE, NOW WE'RE FACED WITH TRYING TO PRESERVE WHAT WE CAN
19 JUST TO SAY ALSO THAT THE MEDICAID RESTRICTIONS THAT WILL GO
20 INTO EFFECT IN 2026 WILL CERTAINLY IMPACT THE SUBSTANCE USE
21 TREATMENT SYSTEM WE'RE PROGNOSTICATING MAYBE A 15% REDUCTION
22 IN UTILIZATION WHICH WILL MEAN A REDUCTION IN MEDICAID DOLLARS
23 COMING TO OUR PARTNERS WHO PROVIDE CRITICAL SUBSTANCE USE
24 TREATMENT AND SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY. WE'RE ALSO VERY
25 CONCERNED ABOUT OUR SUBSTANCE USE BLOCK GRANT, WHICH IS ABOUT



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1 \$60,000,000 FROM SAMHSA ANNUALLY. THE PRESIDENT HAD PROPOSED
2 TO CONSOLIDATE BLOCK GRANTS, WHICH BASICALLY MEANS THEY'RE
3 GOING TO REDUCE THEM, AND THERE MAY BE FURTHER RESTRICTIONS
4 PUT ON THAT. SO, YOUR POINT IS WELL TAKEN, SUPERVISOR, THANK
5 YOU.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT A REDUCTION IN
8 VACCINES AND OTHER KINDS OF IMMUNIZATIONS. YOU KNOW, WHAT, TWO
9 WEEKS, TWO YEARS AGO, WE HAD A CRISIS WITH EMPOCS. WHAT DOES
10 THAT MEAN FOR US MOVING FORWARD? AS YOU WON'T HAVE THE ABILITY
11 MAYBE TO CALCULATE DATA WHERE THE PROBLEMS ARE, CAN YOU
12 EXPLAIN THAT TO THE PUBLIC?

13

14 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** YES, ABSOLUTELY. SO, YOU KNOW, WE'VE WORKED
15 CLOSELY AT THE BOARD'S DIRECTION, REALLY, TO WORK CLOSELY WITH
16 ALL OF OUR PARTNERS, CITY AND COUNTY, ON SHARING DATA AND
17 COORDINATING WHERE IT MAKES SENSE TO COORDINATE. AND FEDERAL
18 DOLLARS HAVE HELPED BUILD THAT INFRASTRUCTURE. AND ONE PIECE
19 OF THAT INFRASTRUCTURE IS THE HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION
20 SYSTEM, ALSO KNOWN AS HMIS. THIS IS A DATA SOURCE WHERE DATA
21 ON PEOPLE'S HEALTH IS ALSO INCLUDED. AND SO, WE'RE ABLE TO USE
22 THAT DATA AT DPH, OUR COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL DIVISION,
23 TO TRY TO IDENTIFY HOT SPOTS OF INFECTION OCCURRING AMONG
24 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS SO THAT WE CAN DEPLOY
25 RESOURCES RIGHT AWAY TO TRY TO CONTROL AND LIMIT THE SPREAD.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WORRY ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF EVIDENCE-BASED,
3 BECAUSE THE NEW DIRECTOR OF HHS HAS A DIFFERENT BASELINE, IN
4 MY OPINION. WHAT DO YOU THINK?

5

6 **DR. ANISH MAHAJAN:** WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT APPEARS TO
7 BE A VEERING AWAY FROM SCIENCE AND DATA IN RECOMMENDATIONS
8 PARTICULARLY AROUND VACCINATION THAT WE'RE ALL READING ABOUT
9 RIGHT NOW FROM OUR FEDERAL PARTNERS. SO, WE ARE VERY CONCERNED
10 ABOUT IT. WE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ARE WORKING
11 CLOSELY WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AS
12 WELL AS SPECIALTY CARE SOCIETIES LIKE THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF
13 PEDIATRICS AND THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICS AND
14 GYNECOLOGY, BOTH SPECIALTY SITES WHO'VE RECENTLY COME FORWARD
15 WITH RECOMMENDATIONS OF THEIR OWN, FOR EXAMPLE, ABOUT COVID
16 VACCINATION THAT DIFFER SOME FROM WHAT THE FDA HAS APPROVED SO
17 FAR. AND THOSE ARE EVIDENCE-BASED, TO YOUR POINT, EVIDENCE-
18 BASED APPROACHES THAT WE ARE COORDINATING WITH AND WORKING
19 CLOSELY WITH OUR STATE PARTNERS IN DEVELOPING OUR OWN
20 RECOMMENDATIONS.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I HAVE A QUESTION FOR DMH. YOU
23 TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE IMD EXCLUSION AND THERE MAY BE
24 SOME HOPE THERE. WHAT IS THAT? SPELL THAT OUT. WHAT DOES THAT
25 MEAN FOR US?



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2 **ELAN SHULTZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE QUESTION. SO, THE
3 EXECUTIVE ORDER, AS OUR COLLEAGUES HAVE NOTED, TALKS ABOUT
4 SETTING A DIRECTION FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT WOULD
5 INCREASE CIVIL COMMITMENTS AND ALSO INCREASE POSSIBLY
6 INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT OPTIONS. OUR DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH THE
7 CEO AND BOTH MR. NICCHITTA AND MS. OVALLE EARLIER SPOKE TO THE
8 CONVERSATIONS THAT THE COUNTY LEADERS INCLUDING DR. WONG WHO
9 IS IN WASHINGTON D.C. RIGHT NOW, HAVE BEEN HAVING WITH
10 ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS FROM THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION, AS
11 WELL AS OUR COLLEAGUES AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, ABOUT LIFTING
12 OR EASING THE IMD EXCLUSION. OUR ARGUMENT, OR ONE OF THE
13 ARGUMENTS THAT WE ARE MAKING IS THAT THIS IS ONE AREA WHERE
14 THE COUNTY ACTUALLY IS IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE EXECUTIVE ORDER.
15 LET ME BE I SEE THE QUIZZICAL LOOK, GIVE ME A SECOND HERE,
16 WHICH IS THAT WE ALSO HAVE A LONGSTANDING BOARD POLICY TO
17 RESULT TO LIFT OR REFORM THE IMD EXCLUSION RULE. WE BELIEVE
18 THAT ONCE THE EXCLUSION RULE IS LIFTED, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO
19 BRING IN MORE FEDERAL DOLLARS AND LEVERAGE THOSE DOLLARS TO
20 EXPAND OUR LOCAL SYSTEM OF BEDS. THIS BOARD FOR MANY, MANY
21 MONTHS HAS BEEN RECEIVING REPORTS ABOUT THE SHORTAGES OF BEDS
22 IN CERTAIN PARTS OF OUR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SYSTEM. IN
23 PARTICULAR, WE HAVE HIGHLIGHTED AT DMH THE NEED FOR AN
24 EXPANSION OF OUR SUBACUTE BEDS. THOSE ARE BEDS FOR PEOPLE WHO
25 DO NOT NEED TO BE IN A HOSPITAL, BUT DO NEED LONG-TERM CARE



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1 FOR MANY, MANY MONTHS TO STABILIZE ON PSYCHIATRIC MEDS AND
2 WITH THERAPY AND OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES. WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH
3 OF THOSE BEDS IN OUR SYSTEM TODAY, BUT LIFTING THE IMD
4 EXCLUSION, WE BELIEVE, WOULD BRING IN THE VITAL FEDERAL
5 RESOURCES THAT WOULD ALLOW FOR THOSE FACILITIES TO BOTH
6 EXPAND, THE ONES THAT ARE HERE TODAY, AND ALSO FOR THE
7 CREATION OF NEW FACILITIES. BECAUSE ONE OF THE BIGGEST
8 CHALLENGES THAT THOSE BUSINESSES HAVE, THOSE FACILITIES HAVE,
9 IS SETTING UP A FINANCIAL MODEL TO OPERATE. AND TO OPERATE A
10 16, RIGHT NOW THEY CAN OPERATE UP TO 16 BEDS. IT IS
11 INEFFICIENT. IT IS INEFFICIENT FROM A FUNDING STANDPOINT. AND
12 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN HIGHLIGHTING TO OUR
13 COLLEAGUES AND LEADERS IN DC IS THAT IT IS ALSO INCREDIBLY
14 INEFFICIENT FROM A STAFFING STANDPOINT. AND RIGHT NOW, WITH
15 OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND A NATIONAL
16 WORKFORCE SHORTAGE, WE ACTUALLY NEED TO ENSURE THAT WE BOTH
17 HAVE THE FUNDING AND ARE MAXIMALLY UTILIZING OUR AVAILABLE
18 STAFF. WE SIMPLY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH STAFF TO OPERATE MANY SMALL
19 FACILITIES. WE NEED SOME CONSOLIDATION.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I WANTED TO ASK EMILIO AND SARAH
22 ABOUT THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF VOUCHERS AND OUR ABILITY TO
23 OBVIOUSLY BUILD MORE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. AND WE HAVE
24 SOME THINGS CURRENTLY ON CALENDAR THAT MIGHT BE COMING INTO
25 PLAY IN THE NEXT TWO, THREE YEARS. ARE THESE AT RISK? THOSE



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1 DOLLARS --

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3 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. YES,
4 THOSE WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY AT RISK. WHENEVER WE ACCOUNT FOR OUR
5 FUNDING YEAR TO YEAR, THE VERY FIRST THING WE TRY TO ACCOUNT
6 FOR ARE THE SET-ASIDE COMMITTED VOUCHERS FOR PERMANENT
7 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. IF WE FALL DEEP ENOUGH INTO A SHORTFALL,
8 IT THEN COMPROMISES OUR ABILITY TO COMMIT THOSE VOUCHERS TO
9 THOSE DEVELOPMENTS, SINCE THEY ARE COMMITTED YEARS IN ADVANCE.
10 SO, WE ALWAYS ACCOUNT FOR THEM. THEY ARE OUR FIRST PRIORITY
11 FROM YEAR TO YEAR. BUT IF THE FUNDING FALLS TO LEVELS THAT ARE
12 NOT SUSTAINABLE, THEN IT COULD PLACE THOSE AT RISK.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE PROJECT THAT'S
15 ONGOING AT THE GENERAL HOSPITAL CAMPUS. THERE'S POTENTIALLY
16 300 UNITS OF 100% AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT CAN POTENTIALLY NOW
17 BE SACRIFICED OR CUT. IS THAT WHAT I'M HEARING?

18

19 **EMILIO SALAS:** THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. NOW THERE ARE SOME
20 THINGS OR SOME ACTIONS THAT WE CAN TAKE LOCALLY, SUCH AS
21 SCALING BACK OR STOPPING OUR LEASING ACTIVITY NOW IN
22 ANTICIPATION OF THOSE CUTS. IT HAS AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT IN THAT
23 WE WOULD HAVE TO SHUT OFF THE FLOW OF VOUCHERS NOW, BUT IT
24 MIGHT BE THE PRUDENT THING TO DO JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY
25 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE COMING YEARS.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WELL, I'M SURE MY COLLEAGUES WILL ALSO TALK
3 ABOUT THAT AS WELL BECAUSE THEY HAVE SIMILAR PROJECTS THAT WE
4 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON NOW FOR SEVERAL YEARS. AND THEN FOR
5 SARAH, I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND FOR H.R. 1, PEOPLE
6 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE LARGELY EXEMPT FROM THE MEDICAID
7 WORK REQUIREMENT. IS THAT CORRECT?

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9 **SARAH MAHIN:** NO, THAT'S NOT MY UNDERSTANDING. THEY ARE NOT
10 EXEMPT. AND SO THAT WILL BE SOMETHING THAT WE WILL HAVE TO
11 WORK REALLY CAREFULLY ON TO BE. AND IT'S GOING TO HAVE A MAJOR
12 IMPACT ON PEOPLE'S ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE. IT ALSO HAS IMPACT
13 ON PEOPLE WHO ARE UNDOCUMENTED, WHICH WAS A RECENT EXPANSION
14 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I ACTUALLY THINK OUR HOMELESS
15 SYSTEM DID A TERRIFIC JOB OF GETTING PEOPLE CONNECTED TO MEDI-
16 CAL. AND THEN WE GOT PEOPLE ENROLLED IN CALAIM AND HAVE BEEN
17 USING CALAIM TO HELP FUND OUR SERVICES. AND SO, THIS IS GOING
18 TO BE A MAJOR SHIFT EVERY SIX MONTHS, HAVING TO DO
19 REDETERMINATIONS AND TO BE PROVING THAT PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR
20 WORK OR THEY'RE DOING OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES SO
21 THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO GET ACCESS TO THEIR HEALTHCARE.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** DO YOU PLAN ON LOOKING AT THE USE OF MEASURE
24 A FUNDING TO HELP SUPPLEMENT SOME OF THESE CUTS THAT WE'VE
25 BEEN TALKING ABOUT HERE?



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2 **SARAH MAHIN:** WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO THINK REALLY STRATEGICALLY
3 ABOUT HOW WE USE OUR MEASURE A FUNDING. WE DO HAVE A
4 STRUCTURAL DEFICIT WITH MEASURE A. AND SO WE HAVE SOME HARD
5 CHOICES AHEAD OF US THIS COMING YEAR. AND ONE OF THE CORE
6 VALUES AND PRINCIPLES THAT WE'VE USED WITH MEASURE A IS THAT
7 BECAUSE IT'S OUR MOST FLEXIBLE FUNDING SOURCE, WE USE IT
8 STRATEGICALLY TO BRING DOWN OTHER DOLLARS TO FILL GAPS, AND
9 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF GAPS IN FRONT OF US. SO, WE'LL
10 HAVE TO THINK VERY CONSIDERABLY AROUND HOW WE USE THESE FUNDS.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** RIGHT. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU BECAUSE
13 YOU ARE ALL VERY PASSIONATE INDIVIDUALS THAT REPRESENT OUR
14 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. AND I'M NOT FULLY AWARE THAT THE PUBLIC
15 ALWAYS APPRECIATES THAT, BUT I DO. AND I KNOW MY CONSTITUENTS
16 DO BECAUSE WE WORK WITH EACH OF YOU IN YOUR CAPACITIES. AND I
17 WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND THAT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO BE
18 RESILIENT AND FIGHT BACK BECAUSE THIS IS NOT THE WAY AMERICA
19 SHOULD BE GOING AND L.A. COUNTY SHOULD LEAD THE WAY. SO AGAIN,
20 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND LET'S GET MOVING.
21 LET'S PUT OUR BOXING GLOVES ON, SO TO SPEAK. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANK YOU. I SHOULD JUST CORRECT ONE THING.
24 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THANK YOU FOR THE ASSIST HERE.
25 PEOPLE WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE WORK



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1 REQUIREMENT. SO THAT IS A SUBSET.

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

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I ECHO
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S COMMENTS ABOUT YOU ALL AND YOUR COMMITMENT.
7 AND I FEEL COMPELLED TO ALWAYS START BY SAYING ELECTIONS HAVE
8 CONSEQUENCES AND OOH, ARE WE SUFFERING THE CONSEQUENCE. SO
9 JUST TO CLARIFY THIS LAST POINT, I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS
10 SAID, ARE HOMELESS PEOPLE EXEMPT FROM WORK REQUIREMENTS? THEY
11 ARE NOT. PEOPLE EXPERIENCING SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS ARE. OKAY,
12 JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT. AND I WANTED TO EXPLAIN MY REACTION IN
13 YOUR CONVERSATION, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, WITH REGARD TO
14 IMD WAIVER. WE HAVE ALL LOBBIED DC SINCE I FIRST GOT ELECTED.
15 THE REACTION YOU SAW FROM ME IS YOU STATED THAT THE EXECUTIVE
16 ORDER EMBRACES INVOLUNTARY PLACEMENT, AND THAT'S NOT OUR
17 VISION OF WHAT OUR FACILITIES WOULD LOOK LIKE IF WE WERE GIVEN
18 AN IMD WAIVER. WE HAVE HEARD FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT, AND WE
19 UNDERSTAND OUR NEED IS OF SUBACUTE BEDS. AND SO MY CONCERN,
20 GIVEN THIS ADMINISTRATION, WHO DOES APPARENTLY WHATEVER THEY
21 WANT TO DO, IS THAT THEY WOULD TIE A WAIVER TO THE TYPE OF BED
22 WE WOULD BUILD. THAT'S WHAT I WAS REACTING TO. I DON'T KNOW
23 THAT WE WOULD BE INTERESTED AS A COUNTY FOR AN IMD WAIVER IF
24 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD DICTATE THAT THEY WOULD REQUIRE
25 INVOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS AND DICTATE WHAT KIND OF FACILITIES IT



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1 WOULD BE. SO THAT WAS MY REACTION.

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3 **ELAN SHULTZ:** WELL, I APPRECIATE THE CLARIFICATION. AND TO BE
4 SPECIFIC, IMD, THAT TERM DOES NOT ON ITS OWN REQUIRE A
5 FACILITY TO BE LOCKED. AND FORGIVE ME FOR PERHAPS BEING A
6 LITTLE TOO GLIB, BUT IN THE MOST GENERAL TERMS, WE AGREE THAT
7 WE DO NEED MORE TREATMENT LOCATIONS.

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9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WITHOUT QUESTION. WITHOUT QUESTION.

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11 **ELAN SHULTZ:** YEAH, BUT YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. AND THE BOARD
12 HAS LONGSTANDING POLICY SPECIFICALLY ABOUT IMD REFORM, AND
13 LIKE YOU SAID, NOT SUPPORTING ADDITIONAL INVOLUNTARY.

14

15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND SO, IF YOU SAID THE EXECUTIVE
16 ORDER TALKS ABOUT INVOLUNTARY PLACEMENT, YOU KNOW, I WAS A
17 LITTLE SUSPECT ABOUT THEM TRYING TO HELP US DO ANYTHING GIVEN
18 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT'S IN THE EXECUTIVE ORDER. SO THAT WAS THE
19 REACTION YOU SAW. THAT CONCERNED ME. I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL
20 THE INFORMATION THAT YOU ALL SHARED. I HOPE THAT ANGELA OR
21 SOMEONE COULD SHARE THIS WITH OUR L.A. COUNTY CONGRESSIONAL
22 DELEGATION TO HEAR AND UNDERSTAND THE DIRECT IMPACT IT WILL
23 HAVE ON OUR SHARED CONSTITUENCY. I THINK THAT'S REALLY
24 IMPORTANT. YOU KNOW, AS YOU GOT VERY SPECIFIC IN TERMS OF THE
25 PERCENTAGES OF PROGRAM CUTS AND HOW PEOPLE WILL BE IMPACTED. I



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1 HOPE THAT WE'LL DO THAT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
2 TALKING ABOUT HOUSING FIRST. I THINK HOUSING FIRST, FOR
3 WHATEVER STRANGE REASON, REALLY GETS NOT ONLY A BAD RAP, IT'S
4 BEEN INACCURATELY REPRESENTED. I'M NOT SURE WHY. I WAS PROUD
5 TO CARRY SB1380 IN 2016 TO MAKE CALIFORNIA, A HOUSING FIRST
6 STATE, CO-AUTHORED THE MOTION WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN 2022,
7 MAKING SURE THAT HOUSING FIRST WAS THE PRIORITY FOR L.A.
8 COUNTY AND THAT WAS BASED ON RESEARCH, WHAT WORKED. AND I WANT
9 TO REMIND US ABOUT YOU KNOW A NOT-SO-DISTANT HISTORY ABOUT A
10 FEDERAL POLICY THAT SAID IF YOU EVER HAD A DRUG CHARGE, THAT
11 YOU WOULD NOT QUALIFY FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS, WHICH INCLUDED
12 HOUSING. I WANT US TO REMIND US OF A NOT-TOO-DISTANT HISTORY
13 WHEN PEOPLE WHO WERE SUFFERING FROM SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER
14 WERE INCARCERATED AS OPPOSED TO IT BEING TREATED AS A PUBLIC
15 HEALTH ISSUE. AND SO, IN THE '80S, WHEN WE HAD OVER
16 INCARCERATION, PARTICULARLY IN MY COMMUNITY, THAT WAS A RESULT
17 OF THOSE POLICIES THAT THOUGHT ABOUT HOUSING IN A DIFFERENT
18 WAY. AND SO, IF HOUSING FIRST IS REVERSED, MY FEAR IS THAT WE
19 WILL GO BACK TO THAT ERA WHEN PEOPLE ARE INCARCERATED AND
20 PEOPLE WHO HAVE THOSE CHARGES THEN CAN'T COME OUT AND TAKE
21 ADVANTAGE OF PUBLIC BENEFIT PROGRAMS TO KEEP THEMSELVES HOUSED
22 AND THEIR CHILDREN FED. SO WHEN WE SAY PIVOT, PIVOT BACK TO
23 WHAT? THAT WASN'T LONG AGO HISTORY, THAT WAS VERY RECENT
24 HISTORY THAT CERTAIN POPULATIONS AND CERTAIN COMMUNITIES WILL
25 BE DISPROPORTIONATELY HARMED. AND PERHAPS THAT'S THE WHOLE



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1 FOCUS OF THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. PERHAPS
2 THAT'S WHAT IT'S ABOUT. HOW DO WE CONTINUE TO, HOW DO THEY
3 CONTINUE TO LEVY THEIR WHITE SUPREMACIST POLICIES THAT VIOLATE
4 THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE OF COLOR AND POOR PEOPLE. AND CERTAINLY,
5 WHAT I HEARD TODAY ARE CONCRETE EXAMPLES OF THAT, SO I DON'T
6 WANT TO GO BACK. WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO MAKE L.A. COUNTY THE
7 BEST IT CAN BE, AND PIVOTING BACK TO THOSE POLICIES IS NOT THE
8 WAY TO DO THAT. I TOO AM CONFUSED ABOUT THE STATEMENT YOU MADE
9 ABOUT THE EXECUTIVE ORDER. THAT YOU USED A TERM THAT I MISSED
10 WHEN I WROTE MY NOTES, BUT I GOT THE IMPRESSION WAS THAT IT'S
11 PERMISSIVE UP UNTIL EITHER THE FEDERAL REGS ARE WRITTEN OR THE
12 STATE AGENCIES TAKE ACTION, CLARIFY FOR ME.

13
14 **SARAH MAHIN:** IT IS NOT SELF-EXECUTING. OKAY, WHAT DOES THAT
15 MEAN? SO THAT MEANS THAT IT DOES NOT REQUIRE ANY STATES,
16 LOCALITIES, ANYONE TO TAKE ANY ACTION UNTIL FEDERAL AGENCIES
17 ISSUE FUTURE GUIDANCE. SO, IT'S REALLY SPECIFIC TO FEDERAL
18 FUNDING AND THE USES OF FEDERAL FUNDING. AND IT WILL END. AND
19 SO, WE'RE WAITING FOR THE GUIDANCE THAT WILL COME OUT RELATED
20 TO THOSE FEDERAL FUNDING FOR HOW IT WILL AFFECT THOSE FEDERAL
21 FUNDING.

22
23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO SEPARATE FROM THE HOUSING FIRST
24 ELIMINATION, YOU KNOW, IT'S MY SENSE THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE
25 DOLLARS WE USE TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS ARE EITHER GENERATED AT



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1 THE STATE OR LOCAL LEVEL. AND SO, GIVEN THAT, IS IT YOUR
2 PERSPECTIVE THAT OUR HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING INFRASTRUCTURE
3 CAN ACTUALLY WITHSTAND THESE FEDERAL CUTS?

4

5 **SARAH MAHIN:** NO, AND WE'RE FEELING THE PAIN RIGHT NOW OF
6 REDUCTIONS IN FUNDING FROM MOST NOTABLY THE STATE LEVEL AT
7 THIS FISCAL YEAR. OUR HOMELESS SYSTEM DID REALIZE A DECREASE
8 IN FUNDING OF STATE FUNDING THIS YEAR, AND IT IS IMPACTING OUR
9 ABILITY TO MAINTAIN THE CURRENT LEVEL OF SERVICES THIS FISCAL
10 YEAR, AND WE KNOW THAT WHAT'S COMING NEXT FISCAL YEAR IS GOING
11 TO BE EVEN MORE CHALLENGING. WHAT EMILIO TALKED ABOUT WITH THE
12 EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS, THAT'S 7,000 HOUSEHOLDS THAT WE
13 PLACED INTO PERMANENT HOUSING USING THESE VOUCHERS ACROSS OUR
14 REGION. AND THIS FUNDING WE EXPECTED TO CONTINUE TILL 2030.
15 WELL, NOW IT'S ENDING AT 2026. IT'S UNFATHOMABLE TO THINK
16 ABOUT HOW WE ABSORB THIS. AND THAT IS THE CHALLENGE THAT'S IN
17 FRONT OF US RIGHT NOW. IT'S PRETTY MONUMENTAL.

18

19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I'M GLAD THAT YOU MADE THAT FINER
20 POINT. AND I THINK LAST POINT I'LL MAKE WITH REGARD TO HOUSING
21 FIRST. AND FOR PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND KIND OF THE DEFINITION OF
22 WHEN WE SAY PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, THE SUPPORT OF THE
23 MEAN, THE WAY THAT WORD IS OPERATIONALIZED IS THOSE ARE THE
24 SERVICES ON SITE. AND SO, TO HAVE SERVICES THAT PEOPLE NEED ON
25 SITE INCREASES THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL AND



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1 THEY WILL BE UTILIZED. THAT'S NOT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND. AND
2 SO IF THIS IS A PIVOT BACK TO, I DON'T KNOW WHAT, BUILDING
3 HOUSING THAT DOESN'T HAVE THE SERVICES, I'M NOT SURE HOW ANY
4 REASONABLE THINKING PERSON COULD ASSUME THAT SOMEONE COULD
5 TRULY GET THE HELP THEY NEED TO HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES AT THE
6 FREQUENCY WITH WHICH THEY MAY NEED IT, IF IT'S NOT BUILT INTO
7 THEIR HOUSING MODEL. AND SO, I GUESS THE PIVOT BACK TO IS WE
8 BUILD HOUSING THAT DOESN'T HAVE SERVICES AND THEN WE LET
9 PEOPLE CYCLE IN AND OUT OF IT, WHICH IS REAL NO SOLUTION TO
10 HOMELESSNESS. IS THAT WHAT WE WOULD PIVOT BACK TO?

11

12 **EMILIO SALAS:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT COULD
13 HAPPEN WHEN SOMETHING LIKE THAT TAKES PLACE. WHEN YOU LOOK AT
14 OUR VASH PROGRAM, FOR EXAMPLE, AND WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE
15 CHALLENGES WITH HAVING ENOUGH CASEWORKERS TO HELP OUR VETERANS
16 TO REMAIN HOUSED. WHEN YOU SEE A SHORTAGE OF CASEWORKERS, YOU
17 SEE PEOPLE DROPPING OFF ON THE BACK END AND LOSING THEIR
18 HOUSING FOR SIMPLE THINGS LIKE NOT TURNING IN THEIR
19 ELIGIBILITY PAPERWORK, FOR SKIPPING OUT ON THE UNIT BECAUSE
20 THEY'VE NOT HAD THAT CONTACT WITH THE CASEWORKER. SO THAT'S
21 WHAT WOULD HAPPEN ON A MUCH LARGER SCALE.

22

23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** RIGHT, AND I WONDER IF WE GO BACK TO A
24 PRE-HOUSING FIRST MODEL, MANY OF THE TEMPORARY HOUSING
25 PROGRAMS THAT WOULD THEN REQUIRE DRUG TESTING, REQUIRE THAT



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1 YOU PRAY BEFORE YOU GET A MEAL THAT HAD ALL THESE REQUIREMENTS
2 THAT HOUSING FIRST GOT RID OF. AND SO, THEN WE GET INTO THIS
3 CATCH-22 THAT IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE A DIRTY DRUG TEST, THEN YOU
4 GET PUT OUT. SO THAT'S NOT A SOLUTION TO HOMELESSNESS. THAT'S
5 NOT A SOLUTION TO SUPPORTING PEOPLE WHO SUFFER FROM MENTAL
6 ILLNESS OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. YOU KNOW, TO THINK ABOUT
7 THE NUMBER OF TIMES PEOPLE HAVE TO GO THROUGH TREATMENT TO
8 HAVE A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME. AND SO, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DRUG
9 TEST AND PUT PEOPLE OUT LIKE THOSE PROGRAMS DID FOR MANY, MANY
10 YEARS, I DON'T KNOW HOW ANYONE EXPECTS US TO GET AHEAD OF THE
11 CURVE IN FINDING A SOLUTION TO GETTING PEOPLE OFF THE STREET
12 AND HOUSED IF WE REVERT BACK TO PRE-HOUSING FIRST POLICIES.
13 AND I'M AFRAID TO THINK WHERE THIS ADMINISTRATION WOULD TAKE
14 US IN TIME IN TERMS OF HOW PEOPLE WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS,
15 AS YOU SAID, WITH THEIR INTEREST IN VOLUNTARY PLACEMENT AND
16 PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE. WE WANT THE SHERIFF TO
17 COME AND TELL US THE IMPACT. I DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT IT COULD
18 BE CALCULABLE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU ALL.

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

21

22 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU. WHEN WE ASKED FOR THIS TO
23 COME FORWARD, I KNOW THAT WE'RE SORT OF IN THIS SPACE, AS
24 YOU'VE SAID, ON WAITING FOR THE WHITE HOUSE EXECUTIVE ORDER TO
25 COME WITH SOME OF THE MORE SPECIFIC TERMS AND DIRECTIVES, BUT



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1 IT'S HELPFUL FOR US TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS COMING OUR WAY, SO
2 I'M GLAD WE'RE HAVING THIS CONVERSATION AT THIS STAGE. THAT
3 BEING SAID, DO YOU HAVE A SENSE OF THE TIMELINE BEING
4 SOMETHING THAT WE CAN MAKE ADJUSTMENTS IN SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET?
5 LIKE, WHAT IS, DO WE HAVE A MORE PRECISE TIMELINE OR ANY
6 ESTIMATE AROUND WHEN THERE MIGHT BE MORE DIRECTION THAT
7 ACTUALLY CREATES THESE IMPACTS?

8

9 **SARAH MAHIN:** I'LL JUST SAY, I THINK RIGHT NOW, THE ONE THAT
10 WE'RE PAYING THE CLOSEST ATTENTION TO IS THE CONTINUUM OF CARE
11 WE DO NOT KNOW WHEN HUD DOES NOT TELL YOU WHEN THEY'RE GOING
12 TO RELEASE IT BUT THEY HAVE BEEN STARTING TO SHARE INFORMATION
13 WHICH INDICATES THAT THEY WILL THEY'RE PREPARING TO RELEASE
14 THAT NOFO AND I HAVE TALKED WITH ALL FOUR CONTINUUMS OF CARE,
15 OUR LOCAL CONTINUUMS OF CARE, AND THEY ARE PREPARING
16 MITIGATION STRATEGIES AROUND HOW THEY'RE GOING TO RESPOND IN
17 LIGHT OF THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER.

18

19 **EMILIO SALAS:** AND IF I MAY, SUPERVISOR, THERE ARE OTHER
20 ACTIONS ALSO THAT HUD IS CONTEMPLATING SUCH AS WORK
21 REQUIREMENTS FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER HOLDERS AND OR TIME
22 LIMITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ASSISTANCE. WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO
23 DO IS LEAN IN TO HAVE AN ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT WITH HUD TO SAY, IF
24 YOU ARE GOING IN THIS DIRECTION, ENGAGE WITH US TO SEE THE
25 BEST POSSIBLE WAY TO IMPLEMENT SOMETHING SO THAT WE CAN



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1 ACTUALLY HAVE SOME LEVEL OF FEEDBACK IN THAT PROCESS.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY.

4

5 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** SUPERVISOR. WE'LL HAVE TO BE DYNAMIC WITH
6 THE DEPARTMENTS. I THINK AS THESE CHANGES CONTINUE TO COME
7 FORWARD, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO SNAP NECESSARILY TO A BUDGET
8 PHASE, AND SO WE HAVE TO WORK WITH THEM ON AN ONGOING BASIS.

9 AND WE'VE ALREADY MET WITH OUR ALLEGED TEAM IN D.C. HAS

10 ALREADY MET WITH HUD AND WITH HSS TO TRY TO GET SOME

11 INFORMATION ON TIMING IN PARTICULAR, AND THEY'RE PLAYING IT

12 VERY CLOSE TO THE VEST. SO, WE DIDN'T GET ANYTHING OUT OF THAT

13 MEETING USEFUL AT THIS POINT, BUT I KNOW OTHERS ARE TALKING TO

14 THEM AS WELL. SO, WE'RE HOPING TO GET, LIKE EMILIO SAID, NOT

15 JUST A SENSE OF TIMING, BUT A COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH US AS

16 THEY GO THROUGH THE REGULATION PROCESS.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT. I THINK

19 THAT'S EXACTLY THE POINT THAT WE DON'T KNOW WHEN IT'S COMING,

20 AND TRYING TO FIT IT INTO WHAT OUR PROCESS IS, ISN'T GOING TO

21 WORK. SO, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE ACTION AS THAT ACTION

22 COMES AT US. AND SO, I'M GRATEFUL THAT YOU ALL ARE WORKING

23 COLLABORATIVELY AND TRYING TO KEEP ON TOP OF THAT PROACTIVELY,

24 WHICH ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE MAGNITUDE OF CRISIS WE'RE ALREADY

25 FACING AND THE EMERGENCY WE'VE DECLARED, WE'RE GOING TO NEED



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1 THAT KIND OF SWIFT RESPONSE. SO, I'M GLAD YOU'RE PREPARING FOR
2 THAT. YOU TOUCHED ON SOME OF WHAT I WAS PLANNING TO ASK, BUT I
3 THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO BE STRETCHING
4 FUNDING FROM DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER
5 SOURCES OF FUNDING LIKE MEASURE A AND OTHER, YOU KNOW, ALL OF
6 THE SOURCES OF FUNDING THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AS WE'RE YOU
7 KNOW, STANDING UP THIS NEW DEPARTMENT WE KNOW THAT THE
8 COMBINATION OF THE WORK FROM VARIOUS DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS IS
9 GOING TO HAVE TO COME INTO PLAY THERE AND WE CAN'T JUST DO
10 BUSINESS AS USUAL, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE THINKING ABOUT
11 REDUCED FUNDING, NOT ONLY FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, ALSO
12 FROM THE STATE THAT WE'RE ALREADY CONTENDING WITH, YOU KNOW,
13 CHOICES AROUND, ARE WE GOING TO PRIORITIZE INTERIM VERSUS
14 PERMANENT HOUSING? ARE WE GOING TO, ARE THERE PROGRAMS THAT
15 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CONSIDER CUTTING? I KNOW THAT WE'RE
16 LOOKING AT CHOICES THAT WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO MAKE, BUT
17 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE THEM GIVEN THE REALITY THAT WE'RE
18 FACING. SO, HAVE, I KNOW THAT THESE CUTS HAVEN'T COME AND THEY
19 WILL PROBABLY DICTATE SOME OF THOSE CHOICES, BUT HAVE YOU MADE
20 DETERMINATIONS AROUND PRIORITIZING INTERIM VERSUS PERMANENT,
21 OR ARE THERE PROGRAMS THAT YOU'RE ALREADY LOOKING AT THAT
22 WOULD BE SORT OF THE FIRST TO CONSIDER IF WE ARE HAVING TO
23 SCALE BACK?

24
25 **SARAH MAHIN:** SO, FOR THE, WE HAVE STARTED THE MEASURE A



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1 SPENDING PLAN FOR FY26/27. WE PRESENTED AT THE HOMELESS
2 DEPUTIES LAST WEEK, WE'LL BE AT ECRA THIS COMING WEEK, AND
3 BEGINNING THESE CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR REGION TO REALLY
4 IDENTIFY WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE. AND WE WANT TO BE DEVELOPING
5 A RUBRIC THAT HELPS US TO IDENTIFY THIS AND MAKE THE TOUGH
6 CHALLENGES. WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE THINGS THAT WE HAVE
7 HISTORICALLY PRIORITIZED. THERE ARE OBLIGATIONS THAT WERE
8 REQUIRED TO MEET, LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. SO THOSE ARE THINGS THAT
9 HAVE ALWAYS SORT OF RISEN TO THE TOP. WE HAVE THEN PRIORITIZED
10 THE PERMANENT HOUSING BECAUSE THAT IS THE SOLUTION TO
11 HOMELESSNESS. THAT IS ALSO A COST-EFFECTIVE SOLUTION COMPARED
12 TO INTERIM HOUSING. SO, WE HAVE PRIORITIZED OUR PERMANENT
13 HOUSING INTERVENTIONS AND KEEPING PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSED THAT
14 WE HAVE ALREADY PLACED IN HOUSING, AND THEN LOOKING AT OUR
15 INTERIM HOUSING. SO THAT IS HISTORICALLY HOW WE HAVE
16 PRIORITIZED IT, BUT WE ARE VERY MUCH RIGHT NOW IN THE PROCESS
17 OF HAVING THIS CONVERSATION WITH OUR COMMUNITY TO ESTABLISH
18 WHAT OUR PRIORITIES WILL BE.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** SO, I KNOW THAT I'M A LITTLE BIT NERVOUS
21 TO HEAR THAT BECAUSE I KNOW WE HEARD FROM THE LEADERSHIP TABLE
22 THAT THEY HAD MEETINGS WITH HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE THAT THEN CAME,
23 THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS CAME TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THEIR
24 RECOMMENDATIONS THEN CAME TO THIS BOARD. SO, ARE WE STARTING
25 THAT PROCESS ALL OVER AGAIN OR ARE WE JUST USING WHAT WAS



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1 ALREADY DONE TO?

2

3 **SARAH MAHIN:** WE USE THAT AS A STARTING POINT. ALWAYS WANT TO
4 USE IT AS A STARTING POINT AND CONTINUE THE CONVERSATIONS. BUT
5 WE ARE STARTING THE NEXT CYCLE AND DEVELOPING A SPENDING PLAN.
6 AND SO, I'LL BE HONEST, THE CONVERSATION THIS YEAR IS EVEN
7 LESS ABOUT WHAT ARE YOU PRIORITIZING, BUT IT'S WHAT CAN WE
8 CUT? THAT IS THE REALITY THAT WE'RE IN. AND TRYING TO
9 UNDERSTAND THAT AMIDST ALL OF THESE HARD DECISIONS, WHAT ARE
10 THE THINGS THAT REALLY ARE GOING TO RISE TO THE TOP AND WHAT
11 ARE THE THINGS THAT WE CAN LET GO IN OUR FISCAL ENVIRONMENT.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** AND ARE YOU ACTIVELY WORKING WITH OTHER
14 DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE WE KNOW THIS IS BIGGER THAN MEASURE A
15 DOLLARS. SO, ARE YOU, HOW ARE YOU DOING THAT?

16

17 **SARAH MAHIN:** YES, ABSOLUTELY, WE ARE WORKING WITH OTHER
18 DEPARTMENTS. WE HAD DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEPARTMENTS
19 OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES
20 ACTUALLY JOIN US AT THE HOMELESS DEPUTIES MEETING LAST WEEK
21 AND GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF ALL OF THEIR FUNDING FOR HOMELESSNESS
22 AND WHERE THAT'S GOING, NUMBER OF SLOTS, NUMBER OF BEDS THAT
23 IT'S FUNDING, AND WHAT PROJECTED DECREASES OR INCREASES ARE
24 ANTICIPATED OVER NEXT FISCAL YEAR. BECAUSE WE REALLY NEED TO
25 BE THINKING, AS YOU MENTIONED, NOT JUST ABOUT MEASURE A, NOT



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1 JUST ABOUT FEDERAL FUNDING, BUT ABOUT ALL OF THE FUNDING
2 THAT'S AVAILABLE TO US AND HOW CAN WE OPTIMIZE ALL OF THE
3 FUNDING TO DELIVER THE MOST HOUSING AND SERVICES THAT WE CAN.

4
5 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** YEAH, I KEEP CONTENDING WITH THIS
6 NOTION. I THINK AS SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID, THE PUBLIC'S
7 EXPECTATION AFTER PASSING MEASURE A IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO
8 HAVE MORE MONEY FLOODING A SYSTEM TO PROVIDE SOLUTIONS. AND
9 WHAT WE'RE ACTUALLY FACING IS BECAUSE OF THE CUTS FROM THE
10 STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, WE'RE GOING TO BE, IT'S A GOOD
11 THING WE PASSED MEASURE A BECAUSE NOW WE'RE FUNCTIONING WITH
12 LESS. AND WE ARE NOW LOOKING AT OUR LOCAL RESOURCES EVEN MORE
13 CLOSELY TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE ACTUALLY DELIVERING WHAT
14 WE'RE EXPECTING. AND I KNOW THAT'S WHAT YOUR DEPARTMENT HAS
15 BEEN PRIORITIZING AND STANDING EVERYTHING UP TO. AND I KNOW
16 YOU ACKNOWLEDGED EARLIER, BUT I JUST THINK IT'S WORTH NOTING,
17 YOU KNOW, THE STATISTICS YOU OFFERED ON HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND
18 THE SUCCESS RATE THAT HAS BEEN SEEN THERE, I THINK, IS
19 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT AS WE'RE THINKING ABOUT HOW DO WE
20 OPTIMIZE SERVICES WITH HOUSING TO ACTUALLY DELIVER THOSE
21 SOLUTIONS. SO, I'M GLAD THAT WE'RE TAKING THIS ACTION AT THIS
22 TIME, DESPITE THE FACT THAT I'M NOT GLAD WITH THE, I'M
23 CERTAINLY DISAPPOINTED WITH THE SET OF CONDITIONS THAT WE'RE
24 FACING WHILE WE'RE HAVING TO MAKE THESE CHANGES, BUT IT'S THE
25 RIGHT MOMENT FOR US TO BE DOING THIS GIVEN THE CHALLENGES THAT



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1 WE'RE FACING. THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'LL BE BRIEF BECAUSE A
4 LOT OF MY QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ASKED, BUT JOE, FIRST OF ALL,
5 THANK YOU FOR THE SLIDE ON THE BUDGET CRISIS IN THE MAKING. I
6 MEAN, THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE OUT OF OUR CONTROL. FOR
7 EXAMPLE, THE FIRES AND PROBATION RECEIVERSHIP AND AB218. AND
8 THESE ARE TRULY GOING TO HAVE SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL IMPACTS ON
9 THIS COUNTY. YOU KNOW, I LOOK AT THAT LABOR, I SEE LABOR AND I
10 KNOW WE'VE GOT LABOR IN THE AUDIENCE AS A KEY RESOURCE FOR
11 THIS COUNTY THAT IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER GIVEN THE
12 CONSTRAINTS THAT ARE BEING PUT ON US. SO, I VIEW THAT AS AN
13 INVESTMENT AND I THINK, THAT IS A PRIORITY. I KNOW THAT IS A
14 PRIORITY OF THIS BOARD AS IT RELATES TO HOW WE ARE GOING TO
15 WORK WITH LABOR AND OBVIOUSLY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I MEAN
16 THIS I THINK THE MOST FRUSTRATING THING THAT I'M HEARING IS
17 THAT WE NEED TO PREPARE, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'RE PREPARING
18 FOR BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE NEXT SHOE IS GOING TO
19 DROP. AND I THINK THAT CLARITY IS IMPORTANT AND I THINK IT'S
20 IMPORTANT FOR US TO PROVIDE INPUT, EVEN IF IT'S NOT TAKEN, BUT
21 AT LEAST PROVIDE THE DATA THAT WE HAVE IN TERMS OF THE MODELS
22 THAT WE PUT INTO PLAY TO SHOW IN FACT THAT WHAT WE'RE DOING IS
23 WORKING. YOU KNOW, I USE THE HOUSING FIRST MODEL. IF YOU ASK
24 FIVE PEOPLE TO DEFINE HOUSING FIRST, YOU'RE GOING TO GET FIVE
25 DIFFERENT DEFINITIONS OF HOUSING FIRST. YOU KNOW, I HAVE



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1 CONSTITUENTS WHO ARE APPALLED THAT WE DO HOUSING FIRST. THEY
2 THINK IT IS SIMPLY PUTTING SOMEONE IN AN APARTMENT AND WALKING
3 AWAY. AND NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. SO, I THINK
4 WE, I KNOW, WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF EDUCATING THE PUBLIC
5 ABOUT WHAT HOUSING FIRST IS. AND I WILL SAY, HAVING SAT ON
6 LAHSA, I WAS FRUSTRATED THAT THERE ARE SOME THAT DO NOT DO
7 HOUSING FIRST THE WAY I BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE DONE. IT'S
8 IMPORTANT TO GET IN THERE IMMEDIATELY TO PROVIDE THE RESOURCES
9 TO GAIN THE TRUST OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MANY, ARE
10 SERVICE RESISTANT. AND SO, ONE OF THE COMPLAINTS I HEARD FROM
11 CLIENTS WAS THAT THEY DIDN'T SEE A SOCIAL WORKER FOR TWO
12 WEEKS. AND A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN TWO WEEKS, WHICH ALSO IMPACTS
13 OUR ABILITY TO GET PEOPLE THAT ARE WILLING TO BE PART OF OUR
14 HOUSING FIRST MODEL. BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T GET THE HELP IN
15 THERE IN TWO WEEKS, A LOT CAN HAPPEN TO THAT UNIT IN TWO
16 WEEKS. SO, WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY AS WELL TO MAKE SURE THAT
17 WHEN WE TALK HOUSING FIRST, THAT WE ARE ACTUALLY WALKING IT AS
18 WELL AND HOLDING OUR PROVIDERS ACCOUNTABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT
19 THEY ARE IN THERE ON DAY ONE TO BE THERE TO PROVIDE THOSE
20 RESOURCES. I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT, BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT WE
21 NEED TO BETTER EXPLAIN WHAT HOUSING FIRST IS. AND IT'S NOT AN
22 EITHER OR, TO ME IT'S AN AND. I KNOW THERE ARE PROGRAMS, DOOR
23 OF HOPE IN MY DISTRICT THAT HAS LIKE A 97% SUCCESS RATE OF
24 PEOPLE NOT ENDING UP BACK OUT ON THE STREET, THAT IS NOT A
25 HOUSING FIRST MODEL, BUT THERE WAS A POINT IN TIME WHEN THEY



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1 WERE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ANY COUNTY FUNDING BECAUSE IT WAS A
2 HOUSING FIRST MODEL ONLY AS IT WAS PROVIDED ON THE FUNDING
3 SIDE. SO, I WOULD ARGUE THAT I SUPPORT HOUSING FIRST, BUT I
4 ALSO SUPPORT OTHER MODELS AS WELL, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK IT IS
5 AN EITHER OR I THINK IT IS AN AND ON THAT POINT. BUT EMILIO,
6 CAN I JUST GET ONE CLARIFICATION FROM YOU? YOU TALKED ABOUT
7 THE FAMILY VOUCHERS, THE 1,300 FAMILY VOUCHERS THAT WERE DUE
8 TO EXPIRE. THE FUNDING WAS DUE TO EXPIRE IN 2030, I BELIEVE
9 YOU SAID, BUT YOU SAID THAT NOW YOU BELIEVE IT'S GOING TO
10 EXPIRE IN 2026 AND I WAS A LITTLE CONFUSED BECAUSE YOU SAID IT
11 WAS BECAUSE OF THE FLAT FUNDING. DID THE FUNDING GO DOWN OR I
12 MEAN OR DOES THE COST OF HOUSING IN L.A. COUNTY IMPACT THE
13 FUNDING THEREFORE IT'S NOT GOING AS FAR. THEREFORE WHAT WAS
14 PROJECTED FOR 2030 WE THOUGHT WE COULD GO BACK AND GET MORE
15 FUNDING TO FILL THAT GAP. I GUESS MY QUESTION IS, IS THE COST
16 OF HOUSING HERE AND THE INVENTORY OF HOUSING HERE IMPACTING
17 OUR ABILITY TO STRETCH THE DOLLARS THAT NEED TO BE PROVIDED
18 FOR HOUSING?

19
20 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION AND THAT
21 CLARIFICATION, SUPERVISOR. YOU NAILED IT. IT'S THE LATTER. IT
22 IS THE FACT THAT THE FUNDING RAN OUT A LOT SOONER THAN WAS
23 EXPECTED DUE TO THE NATIONAL RISE IN RENTS ACROSS THE ENTIRE
24 COUNTRY, IN SOME MARKETS MUCH MORE THAN MOST. BUT CERTAINLY,
25 THE FUNDING HAS RUN OUT A LOT FASTER THAN WAS ANTICIPATED.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, DO YOU HAVE A MODEL OR DO YOU
3 HAVE YOU DONE LIKE FOR LACK OF A BETTER TERM AN ACTUARIAL TO
4 HELP US UNDERSTAND WHAT HOUSING COST WOULD BE OPTIMUM FOR US
5 TO REALLY BENEFIT FROM THE FEDERAL DOLLARS? I MEAN, IS IT,
6 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, LET'S SAY IT'S \$2,300 A MONTH, BUT WE KNOW
7 THAT AT \$1,200 A MONTH, WE COULD HOUSE X AMOUNT MORE PEOPLE.
8 DO WE HAVE A DOLLAR AMOUNT OR A SWEET POINT THAT WE CAN USE TO
9 LOOK AT IN TERMS OF WHAT RENT COSTS SHOULD BE IN ORDER FOR US
10 TO OPTIMIZE THE FEDERAL DOLLARS?

11

12 **EMILIO SALAS:** THAT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION. THERE ARE SO MANY
13 VARIABLES INVOLVED THAT IT WOULD BE HARD TO DETERMINE WHAT
14 THAT SWEET SPOT WOULD BE, ESPECIALLY SINCE WE HAVE FAMILIES,
15 SINGLE INDIVIDUALS, SENIORS. SO, IT'S THE FULL GAMUT. IT'S A
16 HUGE RANGE.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** RIGHT, AND THEN LAST BUT NOT
19 LEAST, I'LL JUST SAY ON THE IMD WAIVER, I'VE BEEN PUSHING THIS
20 EVEN BEFORE I WAS ELECTED. I TRULY DO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS
21 SOMETHING THAT IS LONG OVERDUE. WHEN ALL OF YOU, YOU'VE GOT
22 FIVE DIFFERENT BUILDINGS WITH FIVE DIFFERENT PROVIDERS, ALL 16
23 BEDS. IT'S NOT EFFICIENT, IT'S NOT THE BEST USE OF OUR
24 FUNDING, BUT IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT HOSPITALIZATION. I'M GLAD
25 THAT YOU TOUCHED ON THAT. IT'S ABOUT THE ABILITY TO MOVE THAT



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1 MONEY TO BOARD AND CARES, WHICH ARE ALREADY UNDERFUNDED, WHICH
2 MANY ARE SELLING THEIR PROPERTY BECAUSE THEY'RE GETTING OUT OF
3 THE BUSINESS. AND THEN THE ONES, NOT ALL, BUT SOME THAT ARE
4 GOING TO GO INTO THE BUSINESS MAY NOT PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF
5 CARE OR QUALITY OF CARE THAT WE EXPECT BECAUSE OF THE DOLLAR
6 AMOUNT THAT THEY ARE RECEIVING. SO THE IMD WAIVER, WHILE
7 HOSPITALIZATION IS IMPORTANT, AND I WOULD ARGUE THAT CARE
8 COURT SHOWS US THAT IN FACT, EVEN AT THE STATE LEVEL, THEY'RE
9 RECOGNIZING THAT MAYBE CONSERVATORSHIPS AND HOSPITALIZATION,
10 ALTHOUGH THE CARE COURT DOESN'T DO HOSPITALIZATION, BUT THAT
11 THAT DOES PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE THAT
12 HAVE BEEN ON THE STREET FOR A LONG TIME, THAT ARE SEVERELY
13 MENTALLY ILL, THAT NEED TO GET STABILIZED, THAT WOULD BENEFIT
14 FROM SHORT-TERM CARE. IT'S NOT THE WAY MEDICINE IS NOW, AND
15 YOU KNOW THIS, THE DAYS OF BEING HOUSED IN A MENTAL HEALTH
16 FACILITY FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, IT DOESN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN
17 THAT WAY. MEDICINE THE WAY IT IS, THE DIAGNOSTICS THAT WE
18 HAVE, THERE IS THE ABILITY TO STABILIZE AND THEN GET THEM INTO
19 THE NEXT LEVEL DOWN OF HOUSING. SO, YOU KNOW, I ALWAYS SAY
20 THAT THE REASON WHY THE IMD WAIVER CAME INTO PLAY IS TO
21 ELIMINATE MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITALS. YOU KNOW, THE HOUSING OF
22 INDIVIDUALS FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME WAS PROVEN NOT TO BE
23 EFFECTIVE AND WAS ACTUALLY, I WOULD ARGUE, INHUMANE. SO, THIS
24 FORCED THOSE HOSPITALS TO MOVE, TO GO OUT OF BUSINESS IN
25 ESSENCE. BUT I BELIEVE WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUT IN PLAY



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1 IN THIS COUNTY A SYSTEM OF CARE THAT SHOWS THAT IN FACT WITH A
2 WAIVER, YOU CAN BRING PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS, NOT EVEN JUST
3 OFF THE STREETS, BUT PEOPLE IN GENERAL, AND PROVIDE THEM WITH
4 A LEVEL OF CARE, AND THEN LONG-TERM CARE THAT IS COST SAVINGS
5 FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE I KNOW PEOPLE THAT HAVE
6 BEEN 51.50 SEVEN TIMES IN ONE MONTH. WHAT COSTS? NOT ONLY ON
7 THE PHYSICAL SIDE, BUT ON THE FISCAL SIDE. SO, I BELIEVE IT
8 COULD BE, I DON'T WANT TO SAY A COST SAVINGS, I WOULD EVEN
9 PUSH REVENUE NEUTRAL, I DON'T KNOW, BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THE
10 WAY WE'RE DOING IT NOW IS NOT EFFECTIVE. SO, I WILL CONTINUE
11 TO WORK WITH YOU ON THAT BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THAT IT'S AN
12 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO WHAT YOU DID WITH THE HOUSING MODEL
13 THAT YOU PUT IN PLAY FOR THE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.
14 WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY, WITH 10,000,000 RESIDENTS,
15 SHOW WHAT CAN BE DONE EFFECTIVELY. DID YOU WANT TO SAY
16 SOMETHING, ELAN?

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18 **ELAN SHULTZ:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVOLVEMENT
19 AND YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS. YOU KNOW, YOU, SUPERVISOR, HAVE
20 BEEN INVOLVED IN THESE CONVERSATIONS REGARDING IMD REFORM AND
21 THE IMPORTANCE OF EXPANDING OUR CARE NETWORK WITH THE NEW TASK
22 FORCE YOU SET UP AT NACA. WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT AND WE
23 CONTINUE TO, WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON THIS WITH
24 YOU TOO, HOPEFULLY ONE DAY RESOLVING IT.

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SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: YEAH, AND THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND WHAT I'VE SAID IS THAT WHILE WE HAVE THE LARGEST COUNTIES ACROSS THIS COUNTRY ARE FACING THE EXACT SAME PROBLEM. AND SO, YOU KNOW, L.A. COUNTY IS ONE OF MANY THAT IS PUSHING FOR THIS REFORM. SO, I AGAIN THANK YOU ALL FOR AN INCREDIBLE PRESENTATION. WE COULD GO ON ABOUT THE SAMHSA AND WHAT'S GOING ON THERE, AND WE'LL TALK OFFLINE ABOUT THAT. BUT I AM GRATEFUL TO ALL OF YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION TODAY. SO, WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANNABEL LORETTA, BYRON JOSE, CHI CHI NAVARRO, DR. EZRA LEE MOHAMMED, MIGUEL TOHOM, AND PATRICIA ALASTAIR. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS SET MATTER 1, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818-645, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN AND WELCOME BACK FROM THE EXTENDED, YOU KNOW, RESPITE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK STAFF FOR PUTTING TOGETHER A VERY COMPREHENSIVE, IF NOT DISTURBING, YOU KNOW, PRESENTATION ABOUT



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1 THE VARIOUS NIGHTMARES THAT WE ARE FACING. I DID HAVE ONE KIND
2 OF BIG IDEA THOUGH, WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, HOUSING FIRST, OF
3 COURSE, YOU DON'T WANT PEOPLE IN THE ER, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT
4 THERE'S A SHIFT AND PEOPLE ARE POSSIBLY REJECTING IT A LITTLE
5 BIT AS THE GIVE THEM A HOME. BUT ONE THING THAT I THINK IS
6 VERY IMPORTANT IS REINTEGRATION, BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE TO BE
7 RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR HOMELESS PEOPLE. NOW, OF COURSE, NOT
8 EVERYBODY HAS A WEALTHY MIDWESTERN FAMILY THAT SENT SOMEONE
9 OUT, WHO FELL OFF THE ROOF. BUT YOU KNOW, THIS IS WHERE IHSS
10 IS THE RIGHT MODEL, WHERE MAYBE WE CAN REFRAME SOME OF THE
11 SERVICES TO AVOID SUCH BUREAUCRATIC NIGHTMARE WHERE WE JUST
12 HATE PEOPLE TO TAKE THE PEOPLE BACK. YOU KNOW, AND I KNOW THAT
13 THAT'S NOT, THAT'S NOT A BRAND-NEW IDEA, BUT THIS IS A GOOD
14 IDEA. OR, YOU KNOW, UNCHARACTERISTICALLY.

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16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** AND BY THE WAY --

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20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
21 SPEAKERS WHO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR SET
22 MATTER 1 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
23 FOR THOSE WHO WILL ADDRESS THE BOARD IN PERSON, PLEASE NOTE
24 THAT A CHIME WILL AUTOMATICALLY SOUND WHEN YOUR TIME HAS
25 EXPIRED. FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER. I WAS IMPRESSED WITH
3 THIS PRESENTATION HERE. I LIKE TO COMMENT ABOUT WHAT PRESIDENT
4 TRUMP DID, WHAT HE IS DOING. IF YOU WALK INTO WASHINGTON,
5 D.C., IT IS BEAUTIFUL. NO ONE'S SLEEPING ON THE STREET, NO
6 HOMELESSNESS AT ALL. AND HE'S GOING TO DO THIS THROUGHOUT
7 CALIFORNIA, ESPECIALLY IN THESE CITIES. HE SAYS THAT THEY'RE
8 GOING TO GET MENTAL TREATMENT, THEY'RE GOING TO HELP FOR JOBS
9 AND GET HOUSING, AND THOSE WHO DON'T WANT TO DO THAT, THEY CAN
10 JUST STAY SOBER IN PRISON. NOW, AS FAR AS TALKING ABOUT LACDA
11 AND SHARING INFORMATION, ILLEGALS HAVE NO BUSINESS LIVING IN
12 HUD-SUBSIDIZED HOUSING. THEY HAVE TO LEAVE WITH THEIR FAMILY.
13 THAT'S THE WAY IT IS. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE SO MANY HOMELESS
14 AMERICANS ON THE STREET, 80 BLOCKS OF HOMELESS ON SKID ROW.
15 OKAY, NOW SHARING INFORMATION, THEY'RE DOING THAT, LOSS LACDA,
16 AND THEY'RE SHARING TENANT INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT
17 ADMINISTRATORS. SO YES, THEY ARE DOING IT. LYNN ANDERSON.

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

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21 **LORETTA LORRAINE:** HELLO, I'M MS. LORETTA LORRAINE. HOLLY
22 MITCHELL, HOW YOU DOING? LOVE YOU. AND MS., I LOVE YOU ALL.
23 AND I'M GOING TO TELL YOU, WE'RE NOT IN WASHINGTON WEARING
24 L.A. WE DO HAVE A CRISIS GOING ON WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF
25 TRUNK. I KNOW THAT WE CAN DO MAKE IT BETTER BECAUSE THIS IS



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1 L.A. L.A. HAS ALWAYS BEEN BEAUTIFUL AND FOR THE PEOPLE. I'M
2 HERE FOR MY TRANSGENDER LADIES THAT WE DO NEED HOMES. I
3 UNDERSTAND WE ALL NEED HOMES BECAUSE THE CRISIS IS GOING SO
4 BAD WHAT'S GOING IN L.A. BECAUSE THEY'RE FORGETTING ABOUT THE
5 PEOPLE. THE PEOPLE ARE WHO WE ARE. WHAT'S GOING ON IN
6 WASHINGTON AIN'T GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH L.A. L.A. IS L.A. L.A.
7 HAS ALWAYS BEEN BEAUTIFUL. IT'S GOT POWER, A WOMAN OF POWER
8 LIKE Y'ALL THAT CAN DO A DIFFERENCE AND CAN MAKE IT SO HAPPEN
9 FOR ALL RACES AND ALL GENDERS AND ALL Y'ALL CAN DO. THANK YOU
10 LADIES AND I LOVE YOU ALL. AND I NEED A PIN FROM YOU OVER
11 THERE, THE LAST LADY. HELLO, MISS LADY HAHN, I DO NEED A PIN.

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

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15 **BYRON JOSE:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, I THINK MISS LORRAINE WOULD LIKE
16 A PIN FROM YOUR OFFICE. GOOD MORNING, BYRON JOSE WITH THE
17 TRANS-LATINA COALITION. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
18 CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR HAVING THIS ROBUST DISCUSSION, AND WE
19 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE NEW DIRECTOR OF THE HOUSING
20 DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THE DIFFERENT
21 NEEDS OF ALL POPULATIONS, SPECIFICALLY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS,
22 BLACK COMMUNITIES, AND TRANSGENDER-EXPANSIVE AND INTERSEX
23 COMMUNITIES. AS WE LOOK FORWARD TO OUR BUDGET, WE LOOK FORWARD
24 TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THIS BOARD TO ENSURE THAT WE CONTINUE
25 OUR CARE FIRST FRAMEWORK, AND WE CONTINUE TO USE OUR LOCAL



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1 DOLLARS, EXPANDING MEASURE J, ENSURING THAT MEASURE A FUNDS
2 GET, YOU KNOW, ALLOCATED CORRECTLY, AND MAKING SURE THAT OUR
3 COMMUNITIES ARE BEING UPLIFTED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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7 **CHICHI NAVARRO:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY
8 NAME IS CHICHE NAVARRO. I AM A POLICY INTERN WITH THE
9 TRANSLATINA COALITION AND I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF SUPERVISORS'
10 POLICE DISTRICT 1. TODAY I URGE THE BOARD TO MAKE HOUSING
11 FIRST THE FOUNDATION OF OUR HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE IN LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY. HOUSING FIRST MEANS PROVIDING STABLE HOUSING
13 WITHOUT BARRIERS. IT'S PROVEN COST EFFECTIVE AND RESTORES
14 DIGNITY. THE TRANSLATINA COALITION SERVES TRANSGENDER, GENDER
15 NONCONFORMING AND INTERSEX PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY IMMIGRANTS AND
16 MIXED STATUS HOUSEHOLDS WHO ARE UNIQUELY VULNERABLE TO HOUSING
17 LOSS AND DISCRIMINATION. WE NEED COUNTY LEADERSHIP THAT
18 DOESN'T LEAVE IMMIGRANT FAMILIES OR OUR COMMUNITY BEHIND. AS
19 YOU HAVE WITNESSED, THIS FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS ATTACKING OUR
20 COMMUNITIES, SPECIFICALLY TGI FOLKS, AND IT'S UP TO YOU TO
21 ENSURE THAT HOUSING FIRST IS SOMETHING THAT IS INSTITUTED INTO
22 OUR EVERYDAY LIVES. I URGE YOU ALL TO PLEASE NOT LEAVE THE
23 MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE BEHIND. THAT MEANS TGI PEOPLE, THAT
24 MEANS WOMEN, THAT MEANS FOLKS OF COLOR, BLACK AND BROWN, THAT
25 MEANS INDIGENOUS FOLKS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.



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

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4 **DR. ESRORULEH MOHAMMAD:** GOOD MORNING, I'M DR. ESRORULEH
5 MOHAMMED, CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, YES. CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST
6 AND AUTHOR OF THE BUREAU OF CARE TO CUSTODY CEMETERY PIPELINE
7 AND THE B2C3A PIPELINE PREVENTION MODEL, WHICH WAS ENTERED
8 INTO YOUR PUBLIC RECORD THIS APRIL. ON THE BUDGET, MY REQUEST
9 IS SIMPLE. PLEASE INCLUDE THE NEUTRAL PRIOR WORK
10 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT WHERE CONCEPTS OVERLAP. AND PLEASE POST THE
11 FULL BUDGET DECK AND A SHORTCHANGE LOG SO THE PUBLIC KNOWS
12 WHAT'S CURRENT AND WHAT'S CORRECTED. BUDGETS ARE NOT JUST
13 DOLLARS. THEY'RE REPRESENTATIONS OF HOW MUCH WE VALUE
14 COMMUNITY, FAMILY, CHILDREN, LIFE. CLARITY TODAY CREATES A
15 LEGACY OF CONFIDENCE TOMORROW. THANK YOU.

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT
18 CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. THE REPORT WILL BE
19 RECEIVED AND FILED.

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THIS IS A RECEIVE AND
22 FILE. HEARING NO OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

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24 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO SET
25 MATTER 2, REPORT ON THE COUNTY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PEOPLE



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1 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MISSIONS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
2 JOINING US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU
3 ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON A TELEPHONE TO COMMENT ON
4 THIS ITEM. SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS
5 SERVICES AND HOUSING WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION.

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7 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SARAH MAHIN, STILL THE
8 DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WHO'S SITTING NEXT TO YOU.

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12 **SARAH MAHIN:** AND I AM SITTING NEXT TO GITA O'NEILL, WHO IS THE
13 INTERIM CEO AT LAHSA. SO VERY HAPPY TO HAVE GITA HERE. AND
14 THEN ALSO COMING UP IS JEREMY GRAY WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE. AND
15 GEETA AND JEREMY WILL BE WITH ME FOR DISCUSSION AND ANY
16 QUESTIONS AFTER MY PRESENTATION. SO, MY PRESENTATION WILL
17 PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE COUNTY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF PEOPLE
18 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MISSIONS AND A BRIEF UPDATE ON THE
19 FORMATION OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND
20 HOUSING, OR HSH. ON JANUARY 10, 2023, THE BOARD VOTED TO
21 PROCLAIM A LOCAL EMERGENCY ON HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY. THE
22 NEXT SLIDE SHOWS THE 4 PEH MISSIONS. TODAY'S PRESENTATION WILL
23 PRIMARILY FOCUS ON MISSION ONE, ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION. BUT
24 FIRST, I'M GOING TO GIVE A BRIEF UPDATE ON THE EMERGENCY
25 DECLARATION'S DELEGATED AUTHORITIES. IF WE MOVE FORWARD TWO



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1 SLIDES, IT SHOWS A HIGH-LEVEL SNAPSHOT ON THE USE OF EXPEDITED
2 PROCESSES AND DELEGATED AUTHORITIES FROM FEBRUARY 7, 2023
3 THROUGH JULY 1, 2025. WE'RE GOOD? OKAY. THERE WE GO. THERE'S
4 THE SLIDE THAT SHOWS A HIGH-LEVEL SNAPSHOT ON THE DELEGATED
5 AUTHORITIES. SO, THESE DATA AND OTHER DETAILED INFORMATION
6 RELATED TO THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITIES ARE PROVIDED IN
7 MONTHLY REPORTS TO YOUR OFFICES. AS OF JULY 1ST, 719 DELEGATED
8 AUTHORITY REQUESTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED ACROSS EIGHT
9 DEPARTMENTS. THE MOST COMMON REQUEST CONTINUES TO BE HIRING.
10 THE NEXT SLIDE HIGHLIGHTS THE USAGE OF THESE DELEGATED
11 AUTHORITIES. THIS INCLUDES THE HIRING OF 2,200 COUNTY
12 EMPLOYEES WHO EXPERIENCED AN AVERAGE HIRING TIME DECREASE OF
13 71% FROM 288 DAYS TO 84 DAYS UNDER THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION.
14 STARTING THIS MONTH, WE'VE ADDED REPORTING ON DEMOGRAPHICS AND
15 THE USE OF THE EMERGENCY HIRING AUTHORITIES. 44% OF EMERGENCY
16 HIRES HAVE BEEN HISPANIC OR LATINX, 19% BLACK, AFRICAN
17 AMERICAN, 17% WHITE, AND 12% ASIAN. 65% OF EMERGENCY HIRES
18 HAVE BEEN FEMALE. THE COUNTY HAS ALSO LEVERAGED THESE
19 DELEGATED AUTHORITIES TO EXPEDITE THE EXECUTION OF OVER
20 \$706,000,000 IN CONTRACTS AND TO ACCEPT 19 FUNDING AWARDS OF
21 ALMOST \$154,000,000. WHERE WE SEE THE IMPACT OF THESE
22 AUTHORITIES, HOWEVER, ISN'T ON OUR INTERNAL PROCESSES, BUT
23 IT'S IN THE SPEED WITH WHICH WE'RE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD OUR
24 MOST IMPACTFUL INNOVATIONS, INCLUDING THE EMERGENCY
25 CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER AND PATHWAY HOME. AND WITH THAT,



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1 I'D LIKE TO SHIFT OUR UPDATE TO THE FIRST PEH MISSION,
2 ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION. I'M PLEASED TO START WITH AN UPDATE ON
3 OUR LAUNCH AND EXPANSION OF THE EMERGENCY CENTRALIZED RESPONSE
4 CENTER OR ECRC. THE BOARD ADOPTED A MOTION IN SEPTEMBER 2024
5 DIRECTING THE CREATION OF A CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER TO
6 COORDINATE SUPPORT TO UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES
7 ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN DECEMBER, JUST FOUR MONTHS
8 LATER, THE ECRC WAS OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED. THE CORE DAY-TO-DAY
9 FUNCTIONS OF THE ECRC ARE TO OVERSEE OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR
10 UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS, TO SUPPORT PLANNED ENCAMPMENT
11 EFFORTS, TO RESPOND TO INQUIRIES FROM PARTNERS ABOUT
12 ENCAMPMENTS AND UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS, AND TO ASSIST
13 OUTREACH TEAMS IN MEETING THE NEEDS OF THEIR CLIENTS BY
14 PROVIDING LINKAGES TO COUNTY AND OTHER SERVICES. SINCE
15 LAUNCHING THE ECRC, WE HAVE MADE PROGRESS ON SEVERAL KEY
16 MILESTONES, INCLUDING SECURING A PHYSICAL SPACE IN THE HALL OF
17 RECORDS, HIRING AN ECRC DIRECTOR AND TEAM WHO MANAGES REQUESTS
18 FROM ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND SERVICE PLANNING AREAS,
19 INTEGRATING HOST OPERATIONS INTO ECRC, AS WELL AS A RANGE OF
20 PARTNERS ON SITE, INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH,
21 PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, MILITARY VETERANS
22 AFFAIRS, AS WELL AS LAHSA, SHERIFFS, AND THE CITY OF LOS
23 ANGELES. SINCE LAUNCHING, THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL NOTABLE
24 CRISES AND COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCIES FOR WHICH THE ECRC HAS
25 COORDINATED OUR UNSHELTERED RESPONSE. THESE INCLUDE THE



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1 JANUARY WILDFIRES, AS WELL AS ALL SUBSEQUENT WILDFIRES, ICE
2 RESPONSE COORDINATION, ALASKAN EARTHQUAKE TSUNAMI RESPONSE,
3 AND EXTREME HEAT ACTIVATIONS. TO SUPPORT THE WORK, THE ECRC
4 USES THREE DISTINCT REQUEST SYSTEMS, WHICH ARE HIGHLIGHTED ON
5 THIS SLIDE. SINCE ITS LAUNCH, THE ECRC TICKETING SYSTEM HAS
6 RECEIVED 632 TICKETS FROM GOVERNMENT PARTNERS AND CLOSED 59%
7 OF THOSE TICKETS. ECRC ASSUMED MANAGEMENT OF LA-HOP REQUESTS
8 ON AUGUST 1, 2025. SINCE THAT TIME, WE'VE RECEIVED 966
9 REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC. MOST REQUESTS
10 COME FROM CONCERNED CITIZENS OR SELF-REFERRALS. DESPITE THIS
11 BEING THE PEAK SEASON FOR LA-HOP REQUESTS, OUR AVERAGE TIME TO
12 ASSIGN THOSE REQUESTS HAS REDUCED FROM FIVE TO TWO DAYS. AND
13 OUR AVERAGE TIME TO CLOSE REQUESTS HAS REDUCED FROM TEN TO
14 FIVE DAYS. OUR THIRD SYSTEM IS THE HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT
15 AUTOMATED REPORTING SYSTEM, OR HEARS, WHICH RECEIVED 575
16 REQUESTS FOR UNINCORPORATED AREAS SINCE THE ECRC LAUNCHED. OF
17 THOSE, MORE THAN 80% HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AND THE AVERAGE TIME
18 TO COMPLETE OPERATIONS IS 44 DAYS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT I'VE
19 TALKED ABOUT THREE DATA TRACKING SYSTEMS HERE, AND WE USE
20 MANY, MANY MORE. WE'RE VERY EXCITED THAT HSH AND THIS BOARD
21 HAS GIVEN US AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT WAYS THAT WE CAN
22 CONSOLIDATE AND IMPROVE OUR DATA SYSTEMS IN THE FUTURE, TO
23 SIMPLIFY OUR DATA ENTRY, OUR TRACKING, AND REPORTING, AND TO
24 TRULY USE DATA TO DRIVE CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT. MOVING ON TO
25 THE NEXT SLIDE. AND BEFORE I MOVE ON WITH MORE ENCAMPMENT



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1 RESOLUTION UPDATES, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THIS PICTURE, WHICH
2 WAS TAKEN TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN OUR PATHWAY HOME AND HOST TEAMS
3 REMOVED THE 1,000TH RV FROM OUR PUBLIC STREETS SINCE LAUNCHING
4 THE RV ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION PROGRAM TWO YEARS AGO. THIS IS A
5 MAJOR MILESTONE AND WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THIS
6 BOARD'S LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT WITH RESOURCES TO GET THE JOB
7 DONE. PATHWAY HOME HAS NOW CONDUCTED 62 OPERATIONS IN 20 OF
8 OUR 88 CITIES AND 15 OF OUR MOST IMPACTED AREAS. SOME
9 HIGHLIGHTS ON THE NEXT SLIDE INCLUDE HAVING BROUGHT IN MORE
10 THAN 1,700 INDIVIDUALS INTO PERMANENT HOUSING, HAVING REMOVED
11 OVER 1,000 IN OPERABLE RVS AND PERMANENTLY HOUSING 395 PEOPLE,
12 49% OF WHICH CAME FROM UNINCORPORATED AREAS WITH MANY MORE TO
13 COME. PATHWAY HOME FUNDING HAS ALSO DIRECTLY SUPPORTED AN
14 ADDITIONAL 113 PARTICIPANTS OF THE INSIDE SAFE PROGRAM BASED
15 ON THEIR ADJACENCY TO CITY PROPERTY. THIS WORK IS ONLY
16 POSSIBLE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THIS BOARD, THE COLLABORATIVE
17 PARTNERSHIPS WE SHARE WITH OUR CITY AND UNINCORPORATED LEADERS
18 AND THE SERVICE PROVIDERS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK ON THE
19 FRONT LINES EVERY DAY. OUR HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICES, AND OUR
20 HOSTS, ARE FEATURED ON THE NEXT SLIDE. HOST FOCUSES ON
21 CONDUCTING OUTREACH, INTERIM HOUSING PLACEMENTS, CLEAN UP
22 OPERATIONS AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THANKS TO INCREASE
23 SUPPORT FROM THIS BOARD, WE ARE PLEASED TO SHARE THAT
24 OPERATIONS ARE HAPPENING FASTER. THIS CALENDAR YEAR, EVEN
25 THOUGH THE VOLUME OF REQUESTS HAS INCREASED, THE AVERAGE



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1 RESPONSE TIME TO COMPLETE A REQUEST HAS REDUCED IN HALF, FROM
2 80 TO 40 DAYS. OF THE MORE THAN 1,000 RVS THAT HAD BEEN
3 REMOVED TO OUR ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION EFFORTS, 80% HAPPENED
4 DURING A HOST OPERATION. SO MANY THANKS TO THE RV OUTREACH
5 SPECIALISTS OUT THERE WORKING TO GET THESE UNSAFE STRUCTURES
6 OUT OF CIRCULATION AND TO GET THEIR INHABITANTS SAFELY INSIDE.
7 SINCE THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION WAS DECLARED IN JANUARY 2023,
8 THE HOST TEAMS HAVE RECEIVED ALMOST 2,000 REQUESTS. TODAY,
9 THEY ARE ACTIVELY MANAGING 110. I AM ALSO PLEASED TO SHARE
10 THAT PROGRESS IS NOW VIEWABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGH A
11 DASHBOARD ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE, WHICH SHOWS HOW OUR HOST
12 OPERATIONS ARE DISTRIBUTED GEOGRAPHICALLY AND HOW MANY CLEANUP
13 OPERATIONS ARE PENDING. WE ARE COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY AND
14 ACCOUNTABILITY ACROSS THE BOARD. OUR NEXT SLIDE FOCUSES ON OUR
15 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MAYOR'S INSIDE SAFE PROGRAM, WHICH HAS
16 NOW SERVICED ALL 15 COUNCIL DISTRICTS. WE HAVE COLLABORATIVELY
17 CONDUCTED 106 OPERATIONS WITH THE INSIDE SAFE TEAM, RESULTING
18 IN ALMOST 5,000 PEOPLE LEAVING UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS OVER
19 THE LAST 2 1/2 YEARS. THE INSIDE SAFE PROGRAM HAS PERMANENTLY
20 HOUSED A THOUSAND PEOPLE IN PART THROUGH CITY AND COUNTY
21 FUNDED PROGRAMS LIKE TIME LIMITED SUBSIDIES, MASTER LEASING,
22 AND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. IN ADDITION, THE COUNTY HAS
23 ORGANIZED OVER 50 ON-SITE AND REGIONAL SERVICE CONNECTION
24 EVENTS FOR BOTH INSIDE SAFE AND PATHWAY HOME PARTICIPANTS. I'M
25 PLEASED TO REPORT OUR REGION'S OVERALL PROGRESS AT REDUCING



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1 UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS AS EVIDENCED BY THE GREATER L.A.
2 HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS. IN ADDITION, I'M PLEASED TO SHARE SOME
3 SPECIFIC METRICS ON PATHWAY HOME'S IMPACT ON KEY PRIORITIES
4 FOR THIS BOARD, WHICH ARE HIGHLIGHTED ON THE NEXT SLIDE.
5 PATHWAY HOME HAS AN IMPACT ON EQUITY. NINETY PERCENT
6 OPERATIONS HAVE OCCURRED IN COMMUNITIES DISPROPORTIONATELY
7 IMPACTED BY HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY AS MEASURED THROUGH THE
8 ARDI EQUITY INDEX AND 69% OF PATHWAY HOME PARTICIPANTS ARE
9 MEMBERS OF GROUPS THAT ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY
10 HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY. WE'VE HAD IMPACT ON OUR
11 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WITH 40% OF PATHWAY HOME OPERATIONS
12 HAVING BEEN CONDUCTED IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND 96% OF RV
13 REMOVALS HAVING OCCURRED IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND LAST BUT
14 NOT LEAST, WE'VE HAD IMPACT ON THE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE
15 USE CONNECTIONS. 9% OF PARTICIPANTS IN PATHWAY HOME HAVE
16 RECEIVED SCREENING THROUGH SAPC. OF THOSE, 60% WERE
17 SUCCESSFULLY ADMITTED TO SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT
18 SERVICES AND 21% OF PATHWAY HOME PARTICIPANTS ARE CONNECTED TO
19 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. NEXT, I'D LIKE TO UPDATE
20 YOU ON PROGRESS IMPLEMENTING THE THIRD ROUND OF THE STATE
21 ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION GRANT FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVED IN
22 JANUARY 2025. WE HAVE UNTIL APRIL 2028 TO SPEND ALL
23 \$52,000,000 OF THIS GRANT, AND WE'VE ALREADY EXPENDED 24% OF
24 IT. WE PROMISED TO CONDUCT ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION OPERATIONS IN
25 SEVEN ZONES AND WE HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED 14 OPERATIONS IN ALL



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1 ZONES FOCUSING ON THE NEIGHBORHOODS LISTED ON THIS SLIDE,
2 WHICH INCLUDE INGLEWOOD, UNINCORPORATED WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT,
3 WILLOWBROOK, AND DEL AIRE, AS WELL AS THE CITIES OF SANTA FE
4 SPRINGS, SOUTHGATE, LOS ANGELES, AND LYNWOOD. WE HAVE SECURED
5 100% OF THE PROMISED 212 MOTEL ROOMS, AND WE HAVE ALREADY
6 ENROLLED 60% OF THE PEOPLE WE PROMISED TO ENROLL IN THE
7 PROGRAM. WE'RE WELL AHEAD OF SCHEDULE AND WE'RE GOING TO KEEP
8 GOING AS WE CONTINUE TO REFINE AND IMPROVE FISCAL
9 SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PROGRAM, PATHWAY HOME IS FOCUSED ON FOUR
10 CORE COMPONENTS THIS YEAR. FIRST, WE ARE RIGHT SIZING OUR
11 INTERIM HOUSING FOOTPRINT BASED ON NEED. THIS INCLUDES
12 EXAMINING OUR CURRENT MOTEL-BASED INTERIM HOUSING PORTFOLIO TO
13 SEE WHERE WE HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO REDUCE CAPACITY BASED ON
14 UNSHELTERED PROGRESS AND SPECIFIC COMMUNITIES AND ABILITY TO
15 LEVERAGE EXISTING CONGREGATE INTERIM HOUSING SETTINGS. SECOND,
16 WE ARE WORKING HARD TO STRENGTHEN OUR CORE INTERIM HOUSING
17 SERVICE PRACTICES. L.A. COUNTY HAS ORGANIZED 17 TARGETED
18 TRAINING SESSIONS FOR THE 22 INTERIM HOUSING PARTNERS ACROSS
19 BOTH PATHWAY HOME AND INSIDE SAFE PROGRAMS. WE WANT TO IMPROVE
20 OUR INTERIM HOUSING PROVIDERS' UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO
21 NAVIGATE PEOPLE TO SERVICES AND TO ACHIEVE HOUSING OUTCOMES.
22 THIRD, WE ARE FOCUSED ON IMPROVING PERMANENT HOUSING
23 THROUGHPUT BY EXAMINING SMARTER STRATEGIES TO FILL VACANCIES
24 AND THE COUNTY'S PERMANENT HOUSING PORTFOLIO AND TO STRENGTHEN
25 PATHWAY HOMES INTEGRATION WITH THE INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT



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1 ICMS AND FLEXIBLE HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL FHSP PROGRAMS. THAT
2 PARTNERSHIP IS ALSO CRITICAL TO OUR FOURTH AREA OF IMPROVEMENT
3 WORK, WHICH FOCUSES ON UTILIZING ENCAMPMENT TO HOME
4 STRATEGIES, WHERE PEOPLE MOVE DIRECTLY FROM AN ENCAMPMENT INTO
5 PERMANENT HOUSING, SKIPPING OVER INTERIM HOUSING, WHICH IS
6 COSTLY AND LIMITED. TAKEN TOGETHER, WE BELIEVE THESE FOUR
7 IMPROVEMENTS WILL RESULT IN A MORE COST-EFFECTIVE AND
8 SUSTAINABLE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION EFFORT AS THE COUNTY
9 CONFRONTS A CHALLENGING FISCAL ENVIRONMENT NOW AND INTO THE
10 YEARS AHEAD. NEXT, I'M GOING TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ABOUT SOME
11 OF THE EXCITING AND CHALLENGING WORK WE ARE ENGAGED IN AS WE
12 SET UP THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. AS
13 WE MOVE INTO THE NEXT SLIDE, I WANT TO REITERATE MY FIVE
14 PRIORITIES THAT I'VE BEEN SHARING WEEKLY UPDATES ON WITH YOUR
15 OFFICES. FIRST, I WANT TO TALK ABOUT OUR WORK SUPPORTING LAHSA
16 AND PLANNING FOR THE TRANSITION OF RESOURCES FROM LAHSA TO THE
17 NEW DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE EMBEDDED COUNTY STAFF AT LAHSA TO HELP
18 GET COUNTY FUNDED LAHSA CONTRACTS EXECUTED WITH SERVICE
19 PROVIDERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 25/26. AS OF FRIDAY, 175 CONTRACTS
20 WERE FULLY EXECUTED AND WE ARE WORKING HARD TO EXECUTE ALL
21 REMAINING CONTRACTS. IN ADDITION TO EXECUTING CONTRACTS,
22 COUNTY STAFF HAVE STARTED WORKING WITH LAHSA TO REVIEW ALL
23 COUNTY FUNDING AND TO ASSESS IMPACTS OF TRANSITIONING THE
24 FUNDING BACK TO THE COUNTY AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. WE
25 ARE ALSO ENHANCING COMMUNICATIONS WITH LAHSA STAFF AND



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1 CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDERS WHICH INCLUDES HOSTING
2 INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR LAHSA STAFF AND HAVING REGULAR
3 MEETINGS WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT INCLUDE BOTH LAHSA AND
4 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO PROVIDE UPDATES AND TO ANSWER
5 QUESTIONS. WE KNOW THAT CHANGE CAN BE HARD AND THERE IS A LOT
6 OF CHANGE HAPPENING RIGHT NOW. MY TEAM AND I ARE COMMITTED TO
7 AS SMOOTH A TRANSITION AS POSSIBLE FOR LAHSA STAFF, SERVICE
8 PROVIDERS, PARTICIPANTS, THE CITY OF L.A., AND ALL MEMBERS OF
9 THE L.A. CONTINUUM OF CARE. TO ALL PARTNERS, I SAY, WE STAND
10 HERE WITH YOU. SECOND, I AM PRIORITIZING OUR WORK TO IMPROVE
11 COLLABORATION THROUGH BETTER COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNITY
12 ENGAGEMENT. I'LL SPEAK MORE TO OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WORK
13 IN A MOMENT. THIRD, I'M WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE
14 AND OTHER COUNTY PARTNERS TO BUILD THE NECESSARY
15 INFRASTRUCTURE TO LAUNCH THE DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 1ST. I AM
16 INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL TO ALL THE COUNTY PARTNERS WHO ARE
17 PARTICIPATING IN THE WORK STREAMS TO STAND UP THIS DEPARTMENT.
18 THEY ARE MOVING MOUNTAINS. FOURTH, WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH
19 YOUR OFFICES TO IMPROVE OUR PARTNERSHIPS WITH CITIES AND
20 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THIS INCLUDES GETTING MEASURE A
21 LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS INTO CONTRACTS SO THAT OUR CITIES AND
22 COGS CAN DELIVER SOLUTIONS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. FINALLY,
23 WE'RE BEGINNING TO ENGAGE IN CONVERSATIONS ABOUT HOW TO
24 STRENGTHEN SYSTEM GOVERNANCE. THERE APPEARS TO BE UNANIMOUS
25 AGREEMENT THAT THE HOMELESS SYSTEM HAS TOO MANY GOVERNING AND



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1 COORDINATING BODIES WITHOUT CLEARLY DELINEATED ROLES AND
2 RESPONSIBILITIES. I LOOK FORWARD TO COLLABORATING WITH YOUR
3 OFFICES TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS AND
4 TO CONTINUE TO REFINE OUR REGION'S HOMELESS ECOSYSTEM INTO ONE
5 THAT MAKES SENSE TO ALL OF US AND MOST IMPORTANTLY FOR THE
6 PEOPLE WHO WE SERVE. BEFORE WE DIVE INTO AN UPDATE ON HSH, I
7 WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO ONCE AGAIN ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS
8 DEPARTMENT IS GETTING CREATED AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE'RE
9 FACING A VERY CHALLENGING FISCAL ENVIRONMENT. IT IS IMPORTANT
10 TO NOTE THAT THIS FISCAL REALITY IS ALSO HAPPENING AT THE SAME
11 TIME THAT WE'RE DEVELOPING OUR MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN FOR
12 FY26/27. AS I'VE SAID BEFORE AND WILL CONTINUE TO SAY, WE ARE
13 FACING A MASSIVE DEFICIT FOR THE COMING YEAR, AND WE WILL NEED
14 TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS ABOUT HOW TO FUND OUR PROGRAMS AND
15 SERVICES. CEO NOTIFIED ME THAT H.I. ALONE HAS A \$302,000,000
16 STRUCTURAL DEFICIT THIS FISCAL YEAR, AND IT'S GROWING. STATE
17 CUTS THIS YEAR HAVE HIT L.A.'S HOMELESS SYSTEM HARD. AS WE
18 DISCUSSED EARLIER TODAY, WE ARE STILL DETERMINING THE IMPACTS
19 OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIONS ON HOMELESSNESS, BUT WHAT WE
20 KNOW IS THAT THERE ARE MASSIVE FEDERAL CUTS AND MORE TO COME.
21 AND AS WE FACE THIS LOSS OF SIGNIFICANT STATE AND FEDERAL
22 FUNDS, IT IS CRUCIAL EVEN MORE THAN EVER THAT WE STRETCH EVERY
23 DOLLAR FURTHER. HSH IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH CEO ON DEFICIT
24 REMEDIATION, AND WE ARE WORKING HARD WITH OUR PARTNERS TO
25 IDENTIFY THE BEST PATH FORWARD. OUR REGION MUST MAKE VERY HARD



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1 CHOICES ABOUT HOW WE INVEST OUR LIMITED RESOURCES AND HOW WE
2 WILL FILL HUGE GAPS IN OUR SYSTEM THAT THREATEN PEOPLE AND
3 HOUSING TODAY, PEOPLE WHO ARE ON OUR STREETS, AND PEOPLE WHO
4 ARE AT RISK OF FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS. NOW I'D LIKE TO
5 SHIFT YOUR ATTENTION TO A QUICK OVERVIEW OF OUR TIMELINE,
6 WHICH IS ON THIS SLIDE. THE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE TAKING PLACE
7 RIGHT NOW ARE IN OUR CURRENT PHASE OF 1A AND WHAT IS COMING
8 AHEAD TO ESTABLISH OUR NEW COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS
9 SERVICES AND HOUSING. WITH THE EXPERT HELP OF THE
10 IMPLEMENTATION TEAM AND CEO'S OFFICE, WE HAVE DEVELOPED A
11 PROJECT GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE FOR CREATING THE NEW DEPARTMENT
12 THAT INCLUDES EXECUTIVES AND SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS FROM ALL
13 THE RELEVANT COUNTY ENTITIES TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THE
14 RESOURCES AND THE AUTHORITIES NEEDED TO GET THE JOB DONE. THE
15 NEXT SLIDE HIGHLIGHTS SOME OF THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS. WE'VE
16 LAUNCHED A PROJECT WEBSITE TO KEEP EVERYONE UP TO DATE AND
17 WITH ACCESS TO TRANSPARENT INFORMATION. TO DATE, WE HAVE HAD
18 OVER 18,000 VIEWS AND 10,000 ACTIVE USERS ON THIS WEBSITE. THE
19 CEO HOMELESS INITIATIVE AND DHS HOUSING FOR HEALTH TEAMS ARE
20 INTEGRATED, AND WE'RE FOCUSED ON FORMING AN EFFECTIVE
21 ADMINISTRATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE TO ENSURE SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH,
22 BEGINNING WITH THE UPCOMING RECRUITMENT OF TOP LEVEL
23 ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT. CONTINUING OUR LIST OF PRIORITIES
24 FOR THIS CALENDAR YEAR, WE ARE DEVELOPING ORDINANCES FOR
25 COUNTY CODE, TITLE II, WHICH WILL ESTABLISH THE AUTHORITY FOR



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1 THE NEW DEPARTMENT AND TITLE VI, WHICH WILL ASSIGN RESOURCES.
2 WE ARE ENGAGING KEY PARTNERS THROUGHOUT THE REGION, INCLUDING
3 PROVIDERS, CITIES, UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. I WILL SPEAK
4 MORE TO OUR PARTNER, CHANGE WELL'S COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WORK
5 ON THE NEXT SLIDE. WE ARE DEVELOPING A PROVIDER TASK FORCE TO
6 MORE FORMALLY ENGAGE THE EXPERTISE OF THIS COMMUNITY AND THE
7 FORMATION OF THIS DEPARTMENT. AND LOOKING AHEAD TO PHASE 2,
8 WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2026. OUR PLANNING
9 PRIORITIES ARE TO LAUNCH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES
10 AND HOUSING EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST, TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS AND
11 SERVICES THAT MEET THIS CHALLENGING MOMENT AND THE NEEDS OF
12 OUR PARTICIPANTS AND COMMUNITIES, TO OPTIMIZE OUR
13 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE AND CONTINUE RECRUITMENT AND
14 APPOINTMENTS, TO IDENTIFY AND INTEGRATE RESOURCES CURRENTLY AT
15 LAHSA AND TO HSH, TO CONTINUE OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
16 THROUGHOUT THE REGION, AND TO MAINTAIN COMMUNICATION WITH OUR
17 PARTNERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE AT LAHSA AND WITH THE CITY OF L.A.
18 NEXT, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
19 WORK WE'RE DOING WITH CHANGE WELL PROJECT. WE ARE THRILLED TO
20 HIGHLIGHT OUR NEW COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DASHBOARD. THIS
21 DASHBOARD IS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON THE NEW DEPARTMENT'S
22 WEBSITE. WE HAVE REACHED OVER 3,200 PEOPLE THROUGH OUR
23 ENGAGEMENT, WHICH STARTED IN JUNE. THIS SITE ALLOWS THE PUBLIC
24 TO SORT BY GEOGRAPHY TO SEE WHERE THOSE ENGAGEMENTS HAVE
25 OCCURRED. IT ALSO ALLOWS THE PUBLIC TO SEE WHICH GROUPS WE'VE



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1 ENGAGED FROM COGS AND CITIES TO SERVICE PROVIDERS AND PEOPLE
2 WITH LIVED EXPERTISE. WHEN YOU CLICK ON THE PARTICIPANT
3 FEEDBACK LINK, YOU CAN SEE THE PRIORITIES THAT PEOPLE ARE
4 LIFTING UP THROUGH THESE ENGAGEMENTS, AND YOU CAN EVEN SEE
5 THESE AS BROKEN OUT BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO OUR
6 PARTNERS AT CHANGE WELL FOR DEVELOPING SUCH AN INTERACTIVE
7 TOOL THAT WILL GUIDE AND PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY TO OUR WORK.
8 FINALLY, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THIS PAST WEEKEND MARKED THE
9 END OF THE INFORMATION GATHERING PHASE OF OUR COMMUNITY
10 ENGAGEMENT WORK. CHANGE WELL WILL BE PRESENTING THEIR INITIAL
11 FINDINGS AT THE HOMELESS DEPUTIES MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25TH.
12 WE'RE NOW MOVING INTO THE NEXT PORTION OF THIS WORK, WHICH
13 WILL FOCUS ON ANSWERING THE CORE QUESTIONS THAT WERE OUTLINED
14 IN THE BOARD MOTION FROM APRIL 1ST AND THE CRITICAL QUESTIONS
15 THAT EMERGED IN PHASE 1 OF THEIR ENGAGEMENTS. TOMORROW WILL BE
16 OUR FIRST TWO-DAY CO-DESIGN SESSION, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN
17 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. CHANGE WELL USES AN INTERACTIVE CO-
18 DESIGN PROCESS THAT ALLOWS DIVERSE PARTNERS TO COLLABORATE
19 TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH A VISION FOR THE FUTURE. WE ARE ALREADY
20 INCORPORATING FEEDBACK FROM THESE ENGAGEMENTS INTO DRAFTING
21 ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTS FOR THE NEW DEPARTMENT AND ESTABLISHING
22 OUR INITIAL VALUES AND BUILDING OUT OUR CONTRACTING PROCESSES.
23 MY STAFF WILL PARTICIPATE IN ALL OF THESE CO-DESIGN SESSIONS,
24 AND WE'RE VERY EXCITED TO LAUNCH THE NEW DEPARTMENT IN CLOSE
25 COLLABORATION WITH ALL OF OUR PARTNERS. SO, I'M GRATEFUL FOR



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1 THIS BOARD'S SUPPORT. WE ARE IN UNCHARTERED TERRITORY HERE AND
2 LOOK FORWARD TO NAVIGATING THAT TOGETHER. I'M HERE AND WELCOME
3 YOUR FEEDBACK AND QUESTIONS AND I'M HAPPY AGAIN TO BE JOINED
4 BY GITA AND BY JEREMY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONVERSATION.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, WHAT IS WHAT IS YOUR
8 PREFERENCE IN TERMS DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD AND SPEAK? BECAUSE
9 I KNOW MY COLLEAGUES WANT TO ASK QUESTIONS, BUT I THINK IT
10 MIGHT BE BENEFICIAL TO HAVE YOU ALL DO THE PRESENTATION AND
11 THEN WE'LL TAKE QUESTIONS.

12

13 **GITA O'NEIL:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY, IF THAT WORKS FOR YOU ALL.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, WELCOME.

16

17 **GITA O'NEILL:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. I'M GITA O'NEILL. I'M THE
18 INTERIM CEO FOR LAHSA.

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND PULL THIS UP TO YOU.

21

22 **GITA O'NEIL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME HERE. I REALLY
23 APPRECIATE IT. THERE YOU GO. THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, I JUST
24 WANTED TO CONVEY TO YOU HOW MUCH WE AT LAHSA REALLY WANT TO
25 COMMUNICATE WITH THE COUNTY, WITH THE CITY, WITH OUR SERVICE



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1 PROVIDER PARTNERS. AND SO, I'M HERE TO REALLY EMPHASIZE THE
2 COMMUNICATION AND THAT WE WILL WORK HAND IN HAND WITH THE
3 COUNTY ON THIS TRANSITION. WE KNOW HOW CRUCIAL IT IS. I'VE
4 BEEN LISTENING TO SARAH FROM THE FIRST AGENDA ITEM TO THIS ONE
5 ABOUT THE DIRE STRAITS THAT WE'RE ALL IN. AND I THINK IT'S A
6 REALLY IMPORTANT TIME THAT THE CITY, THE COUNTY, THE
7 PROVIDERS, AND LAHSA WORK TOGETHER TO HELP AS MUCH AS WE CAN
8 AT THIS UNPRECEDENTED TIME, REALLY. SO, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT
9 THAT WE'RE TOGETHER. JUST BRIEFLY ABOUT MYSELF, I'VE BEEN WITH
10 THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR OVER 25 YEARS. I WORKED ON
11 NUMEROUS PROGRAMS THAT CONNECTED JUSTICE INVOLVED INDIVIDUALS
12 WITH SERVICES. I WORKED WITH LAHSA WHEN THERE WAS ONLY ONE OR
13 TWO OUTREACH PROVIDERS FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY. I ALSO WORKED ON
14 A PROGRAM WHERE WE GOT RID OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF OLD
15 WARRANTS IN THE SYSTEM THAT WAS ALL ACTUALLY, THANKS TO THE
16 COUNTY'S GRANT, THE HOMELESS COURT GRANT THAT THE CITY HAD FOR
17 NUMEROUS YEARS. SO, THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REALLY
18 APPRECIATED THAT GRANT. AND YOU KNOW, I CAME TO THE AGENCY, I
19 BELIEVE IN THE MISSION, I BELIEVE IN HELPING HOMELESSNESS TO
20 END HOMELESSNESS. AND I BELIEVE IN US ALL WORKING TOGETHER TO
21 ACHIEVE THAT. IT'S A REALLY IMPORTANT TIME FOR LAHSA TO ALWAYS
22 MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE EFFICIENT, WE'RE TRANSPARENT, AND WE'RE
23 DOING THE MOST WITH THE DOLLARS THAT YOU TRUST US WITH. SO
24 THAT IS ONE OF MY PRIMARY GOALS TOO IS TO MAKE US EFFICIENT,
25 TRANSPARENT. WE DO HAVE FORWARD-FACING DASHBOARDS THAT HAVE



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1 SOME NEW GREAT DATA THAT WE'VE HAD. WE WILL BE CONTINUED TO BE
2 DATA-DRIVEN AND CONTINUE TO EMPHASIZE THAT. SO WITH THIS
3 TRANSITION IT'S ONE HELP THAT WE HAVE THAT WE CAN WORK WITH
4 THE COUNTY TO ALIGN OUR CURRENT LAHSA OF STAFF WITH
5 OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS NEW DEPARTMENT. YOU KNOW WE HAVE
6 HUNDREDS OF REALLY EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS. MANY WOULD LIVE
7 TO EXPERIENCE. AND THEY ARE ALL EAGER TO CONTINUE THIS WORK.
8 AND SO, WE'RE HOPING THAT WE CAN AND WORK ON THAT AS MUCH AS
9 POSSIBLE TO GET THE LOSS OF FOLKS ALIGNED. WE ARE ALSO HERE TO
10 ANSWER QUESTIONS. I'VE REACHED OUT TO ALL OF YOUR OFFICES. I
11 WILL COME PERSONALLY TO MEET WITH YOU ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.
12 AND CONTINUE THIS CONVERSATION SO THAT WE'RE ON THE SAME PAGE
13 TOGETHER. WE REALLY DO WANT TO MOVE THAT FORWARD. SO AGAIN, I
14 THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME HERE AND I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
15 QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE. I'VE BEEN HERE FIVE DAYS, SO PLEASE
16 LET ME KNOW. ON MY FIRST DAY, I DID MEET ALL OF THE COUNTY
17 STAFF THAT'S IN OUR LAHSA OF TRAINING TO EMPHASIZE THAT
18 PARTNERSHIP SO I REALLY BUT I'M HAPPY TO BE HERE FOR YOU ALL
19 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS I CAN THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** JEREMY.

22
23 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR NOTHING FROM ME. I THINK GITA AND
24 SARAH SUMMED EVERYTHING UP VERY WELL SO I'M HERE TO ASSIST
25 WITH ANY TECHNICAL QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL START WITH
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU AND WELCOME TO YOU GITA. I'M
6 GLAD YOU'RE ON-BOARD AND. JUST WANTED TO ASK A QUICK QUESTION.
7 YOU'RE STILL GOING TO CONTINUE TO DO THE ANNUAL COUNT. YOU'LL
8 STILL HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY.

9

10 **GITA O'NEIL:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** RIGHT? AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO
13 PERFECT THAT A LITTLE BIT BETTER BECAUSE SOMETIMES IT'S HARD
14 TO GET VOLUNTEERS AND I GUESS HAVING A PLAN TO DO THAT BETTER
15 AND ALSO MAKING SURE THAT THEY GET ADEQUATE TRAINING. BECAUSE
16 I THINK WE'VE ALL HAD OUR DIGITAL CHALLENGES, TECHNOLOGICAL
17 CHALLENGES IN THE FIELD. AND EVEN WITH SOME OF OUR CITIES OUT
18 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHERE THEY CHOOSE TO WANT TO RUN
19 THEIR COUNT BUT THEN AREN'T REALLY, I THINK, ABIDING BY THE
20 SAME STANDARDS. AND THAT'S BEEN A LITTLE TRICKY FOR US OUT IN
21 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. SO JUST TO MAKE A NOTE OF IT.

22

23 **GITA O'NEIL:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND JUST IN TERMS OF THE STAFFING, WHAT DO



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1 YOU SEE IN TERMS OF ENVISIONING THE TRANSITION? HOW IS THAT
2 COMING ALONG?

3

4 **GITA O'NEIL:** YOU KNOW, WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER CLOSELY WITH THE
5 COUNTY. YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LOT OF ANXIETY FROM THE EMPLOYEES
6 AT LAHSA. THEY'RE VERY WORRIED, YOU KNOW, AS I'M SURE THE
7 COUNTY AND CITY FOLKS ARE EMPLOYEES WORRIED ABOUT ALL OF THIS
8 FINANCIAL CRISIS. SO, IT'S HARD. WE'RE TRYING TO MOTIVATE
9 EVERYONE TO REMEMBER WHY THEY CAME TO LAHSA, WHY THEY WORK IN
10 HOMELESSNESS. AS MUCH AS WE CAN GET INFORMATION FROM THE
11 COUNTY ON HOW THE TRANSITION WILL WORK. I THINK THAT WILL
12 REALLY ALLEVIATE A LOT OF THE STRESS IN THE EMPLOYEES. SO,
13 WE'RE LOOKING TO DO THAT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. BUT I HEARD YOU
14 ON THE PICK COUNT AND I WILL REMEMBER THAT. I KNOW WE USE
15 TECHNOLOGY A LOT THAT HELPS US BUT SOMETIMES THERE CAN BE
16 GLITCHES.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YEAH.

19

20 **GITA O'NEIL:** I APPRECIATE IT.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND WILL THERE BE A LOSS OF PERSONNEL THAT
23 JUST WON'T EVEN GO OVER TO THE COUNTY? I'M WONDERING WHAT'S
24 HAPPENING IF THERE'S ANY INSTANCE THERE.

25



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1 **GITA O'NEIL:** YEAH, I THINK THERE MIGHT BE IN THE BEST POSITION
2 TO ANSWER THAT.

3

4 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. I THINK
5 TO EARLIER POINTS MADE, THE APRIL 1ST MOTION CHARTED OUT A 15-
6 MONTH PROCESS FROM THE BEGINNING TO THE END OF PHASE 3
7 IMPLEMENTATION. WE'RE IN MONTH FIVE. SO, THERE ARE CERTAIN
8 THINGS THAT WE DON'T KNOW YET. WE HAVE MET WITH LABOR AND THE
9 LAHSA EXECUTIVE TEAM ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS TO UPDATE THEM AS
10 WE RECEIVE INFORMATION. MANY OF THE UPDATES WE'VE ALSO GIVEN
11 TO YOUR BOARD. ONCE WE GET CLOSER AND WE GET TO THOSE DETAILS,
12 WE WILL BEGIN COMMUNICATING WITH GITA AND HER STAFF ON THAT
13 PROCESS. CURRENTLY, THERE'S ABOUT A LITTLE OVER 800 EMPLOYEES
14 AT LAHSA AND THE COUNTY FUNDS ABOUT 50% OF THOSE POSITIONS.
15 FROM A PROCESS PERSPECTIVE, WE WILL SET UP THE DEPARTMENT HERE
16 IN THE COUNTY WITH VACANT POSITIONS AND THEN WORK ON, AS PER
17 THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES, ANY NECESSARY TRANSITIONS THAT COME
18 FROM THAT. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE, AND THIS IS OBVIOUS TO YOU,
19 BUT MAYBE NOT AS OBVIOUS TO THE PUBLIC THAT LAHSA IS A
20 SEPARATE EMPLOYMENT SYSTEM FROM THE COUNTY. SO, WE NEED TO
21 ENSURE THAT AS WE BEGIN THAT PROCESS, WE ENSURE THAT WE MEET
22 ALL THE NECESSARY OBLIGATIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES, ANY
23 MOU'S THAT WE HAVE IN PLACE. OBVIOUSLY, LAHSA HAS ITS OWN
24 MOU'S WITH LABOR. SO, IT WILL BE A NUANCED AND SURGICAL
25 PROCESS, BUT WE ARE DEFINITELY COMMITTED TO COMMUNICATING ALL



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1 THE NECESSARY STEPS TO NOT ONLY YOUR BOARD, BUT THE LAHSA TEAM
2 AS WELL.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WOULD JUST HOPE THAT WE HAVE A PLAN IN
5 PLACE TOO WHERE PEOPLE CHOOSE NOT TO GO WITH THE COUNTY
6 LEAVING LAHSA THAT WE MAKE THE OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE TO OUR
7 PROVIDERS BECAUSE ESSENTIALLY A COUPLE YEARS AGO MANY OF THOSE
8 SAME PROVIDERS LOST THEIR STAFF TO LAHSA. AND NOW THEY'RE
9 BETTER PREPARED AND MAYBE THERE'S OPPORTUNITY THERE. I'M JUST
10 RAISING IT, I KNOW EVERYBODY'S BUDGET IS TIGHT, BUT I DON'T
11 THINK IT HURTS TO ASK BECAUSE NOW THEY'RE TRAINED AND THAT
12 SKILL IS VERY ESSENTIAL. SO, I HOPE WE KEEP THAT GOING. BUT I
13 WANTED TO ALSO, YOU KNOW, THANK SARAH FOR YOUR WORK. I KNOW
14 YOU'VE ALREADY GONE OUT TO OUR CITIES AND I'M REALLY HAPPY
15 THAT YOU ARE MAKING THEM A PART OF YOUR GOING AROUND AND
16 LISTENING TO WHAT WORKS AND WHAT THEY'VE DONE. I REPRESENT
17 MORE THAN 20 CITIES AND NOT ALL OF THEM ARE UP TO PAR IN TERMS
18 OF REALLY ACCEPTING THE NOTION OF BUILDING PERMANENT OR EVEN
19 INTERIM HOUSING. AND I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE VERY IMPORTANT
20 FOR THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS AND THE COGS TO GET THE TECHNICAL
21 TRAINING THEY'RE GOING TO NEED AND TO SHARE AND KIND OF LIFT
22 UP THOSE CITIES THAT HAVE BEEN DOING SOME THINGS TO SHOW THAT
23 IT CAN BE DONE. BECAUSE THAT TO ME IS SOMETHING WE REALLY NEED
24 TO PUT IN, ALMOST IN A WORKBOOK SO PEOPLE CAN SEE IT AND KNOW,
25 HEY, THIS IS THE HANDY DANDY TOOL AS TO HOW YOU DO IT. SO I



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1 WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO THAT WITH THE CITY OF EL MONTE,
2 WHO'S BEEN WONDERFUL, WORKING WITH US ON ROOM KEY AND HOME
3 KEY, BALDWIN PARK, TINY HOMES, MONTEBELLO, AND THEN OF COURSE
4 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN AREAS THAT I REPRESENT AS WELL.
5 THAT'S GOING TO BE IMPORTANT. BUT I'M MOST CONCERNED ABOUT
6 WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND CAN YOU TELL
7 ME AND THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO OUR CONCERNS AROUND WHITTIER
8 NARROWS. BECAUSE AT ONE POINT WE HAD OVER 200 PEOPLE AND MORE
9 LIVING THERE. NOW I THINK IT IS SOMEWHAT REDUCED. WE'RE
10 WORKING WITH THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND WE ALSO PASSED A
11 MOTION HERE TO LOOK AT LOCATIONS THAT HAVE SERIOUS FIRE
12 HAZARDS. AND THAT IS ALSO COMING INTO PLAY, BUT IT'S A VERY
13 DELICATE SITUATION BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE ABOUT 50 OR MORE
14 PEOPLE THAT ARE STILL THERE. SO, WHAT CAN WE EXPECT FROM YOUR
15 DEPARTMENT IN TERMS OF HELPING US WEAVE THIS THROUGH BECAUSE
16 WE ALSO ARE WORKING WITH THE FEDERAL AGENCY NOW? AND I THINK
17 THIS IS GOING TO COME UP EVEN OVER BY THE AZUSA CANYON, OVER
18 BY LARIO PARK. SO, I JUST, AND I KNOW IT'S PROBABLY GOING TO
19 IMPACT OTHER PARTS OF OUR COUNTY BUT WHAT KIND OF APPROACH
20 WOULD YOU TAKE?

21
22 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY. SO WITH THE UNINCORPORATED
23 AREAS AND SPECIFICALLY IN OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES,
24 YEAH, WE'VE REALLY BEEN FOCUSED AS WAS TALKING ABOUT WITH
25 PATHWAY HOME AND WITH OUR HOST TEAMS ON REALLY EXPEDITING



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1 THOSE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION EFFORTS THAT WE'RE DOING AND
2 HELPING TO RESOLVE ENCAMPMENTS IN OUR UNINCORPORATED
3 COMMUNITIES AND WORKING WITH THE OTHER JURISDICTIONAL PARTNERS
4 THAT OBVIOUSLY OFTEN INTERFACE IN THOSE, AS YOU WERE
5 MENTIONING ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, CALTRANS. THERE'S A LITANY
6 OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT WE HAVE TO COORDINATE WITH TO BE
7 SERVICING THOSE AREAS. SO, WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO DO THE WORK
8 THAT WE'RE DOING THROUGH PATHWAY HOME AND WITH THE HOST TEAMS
9 TO BE SERVICING OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WE'RE ALSO WORKING
10 WITH EACH OF YOUR BOARD OFFICES RIGHT NOW ON PLANS FOR HOW THE
11 LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDING THAT WILL BE DEDICATED TO
12 UNINCORPORATED AREAS WILL BE PROGRAMMED TO BE BRINGING MORE
13 HOUSING AND SERVICES TO OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. SO,
14 LOOKING FORWARD TO FINALIZING THOSE PLANS WITH EACH OF YOUR
15 OFFICES. ALSO WORKING WITH YOUR OFFICES AND LACDA AND DCBA
16 AROUND THE PLANS FOR THE FUNDING. THERE'S LACAHSF FUNDING THAT
17 ALSO IS ALLOCATED AND DEDICATED TO THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS SO
18 WANT TO BE THINKING ABOUT HOW WE'RE USING THIS YEAR'S FUNDING
19 AS WELL AS FUTURE YEAR FUNDING AGAIN TO BE SUPPORTING OUR
20 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES AND THEN THROUGH OUR COMMUNITY
21 ENGAGEMENT WORK WE STARTED TO WORK WE WORKED REACHED OUT TO
22 REGIONAL PLANNING TO BE WORKING WITH THEM TO BE IDENTIFYING IN
23 ALL OF OUR VARIOUS 105 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WHO ARE THE
24 KEY STAKEHOLDERS THAT WE NEED TO BE BUILDING OUT OUR
25 RELATIONSHIPS WITH, BECAUSE THEY ARE EACH DISTINCT



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1 COMMUNITIES. SO, WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF BUILDING THAT OUT.
2 AND THEN WITH OUR MUNICIPAL RELATIONS TEAM, WHICH HAS BEEN AT
3 HOMELESS INITIATIVE AND WILL BE MOVING OVER TO HSH AND LED BY
4 ONNIE AND CARTER, REALLY INTEGRATING THEM IN MORE WITH HOUSING
5 FOR HEALTH AND THE PROGRAMMATIC STAFF THERE. THEY DO TERRIFIC
6 WORK BUILDING OUT RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT
7 BEING ABLE TO BRING IN, AS YOU MENTIONED, MORE TECHNICAL
8 ASSISTANCE AND SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE TO HELP OUR CITIES AND
9 OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES MAXIMIZE THE RESOURCES THAT
10 THEY HAVE AND REALLY BRING ALL OF OUR SOLUTIONS TO BEAR.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND I WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT ALSO TO THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TOO, BECAUSE THEY ARE A PARTNER
14 WITH US IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND I WOULD HOPE THAT THEY
15 TOO CAN HELP GIVE THE KIND OF ADVICE IN TERMS OF THE COMMUNITY
16 GROUPS BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL, WHETHER THEY'RE DOING GRAFFITI
17 ABATEMENT OR PICKING UP ITEMS, ANYTHING LIKE THAT. THEY ALSO
18 HAVE THEIR REGIONAL PEOPLE THAT ARE SET IN PLACE AND KNOW OUR
19 COMMUNITIES. AND THAT'S JUST ANOTHER ASSET THE WAY I SEE IT.

20
21 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK IT'S GREAT. AND LAST WEEK I
22 WAS ABLE TO GO OUT AND VISIT SOME OF THE CITIES IN YOUR
23 DISTRICT, WHICH WAS WONDERFUL AND I THINK THERE'S MORE
24 KNOWLEDGE SHARING WE CAN BE DOING. SO, WHEN I WAS WITH THE
25 MAYOR FROM THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK AND TOURING FACILITIES



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1 THERE, HOUSING THAT THEY'VE CREATED, SHE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN
2 SEEING WHAT WE'RE DOING IN SKID ROW AND SO WE'LL BE SCHEDULING
3 TIME TO COME OUT AND SEE THE WORK WE'RE DOING AT SKID ROW. AND
4 I THINK THERE'S MORE KNOWLEDGE SHARING THAT WE CAN BE DOING
5 ACROSS OUR REGION.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I AGREE, THANK YOU. AND I JUST URGE YOU TO
8 DO MORE HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS AROUND OUR RVS IN THE SAN GABRIEL
9 VALLEY UP IN THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND VALINDA AREA WHERE WE
10 TEND TO GET MOST OF OUR CALLS. SO, --

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12 **SARAH MAHIN:** NOT ED.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** URGE YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU,
15 MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK YOU,
20 DIRECTOR MAHIN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, FOR HOW YOU'VE STEPPED
21 INTO YOUR ROLE, AND HOW YOU HAVE REALLY EMBRACED WHAT A
22 CHALLENGING MOMENT WE ARE IN. I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN INCREDIBLY
23 HONEST WITH ME AND MY TEAM, WILLING TO TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT
24 THE CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE. AND JUST AS YOU JUST
25 DEMONSTRATED, YOU ARE OPEN TO BRAINSTORMING ABOUT WHAT SORT OF



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1 SOLUTIONS ALREADY EXIST WE SHOULD BE LEARNING FROM OTHER
2 PLACES, HOW WE CAN SCALE THE SOLUTIONS WE KNOW WORK, AND YOUR
3 OPENNESS TO COLLABORATION, I THINK, IS REALLY GOING TO BE KEY,
4 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE. SO, I'M GOING TO
5 START WITH YOU. IS THERE ANYTHING SLOWING DOWN THE PROCESS TO
6 LAUNCH THE NEW DEPARTMENT THAT THE BOARD CAN HELP EXPEDITE AT
7 THIS POINT IN TIME?

8

9 **SARAH MAHIN:** GO AHEAD.

10

11 **JEREMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, I'LL CHIME IN THERE. WE DON'T BELIEVE
12 SO. AS WE TESTIFY HERE TODAY, WE BELIEVE WE ARE ON TARGET TO
13 MEET ALL THE MILESTONES DIRECTED IN THE APRIL 1ST MOTION. AND
14 AS YOU KNOW, THERE WERE THREE MAJOR MILESTONES IN THAT MOTION,
15 ONE OF WHICH BEING APPOINTING A NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD. WE'RE
16 SITTING HERE WITH SARAH TODAY. THE SECOND IS ON JANUARY OF
17 2026, MERGING CEO, HI, AND HOUSING FOR HEALTH, WHICH WILL
18 REPRESENT PHASE ONE OF THAT NEW DEPARTMENT AND PHASE 3 BEING
19 TRANSITIONING ANY NECESSARY RESOURCES FROM LAHSA TO ACHIEVE
20 THAT AS WELL. SO AS IT STANDS TODAY, WE ARE ON TARGET AND
21 MOVING SWIFTLY.

22

23 **SARAH MAHIN:** WE WILL BE BRINGING TO YOUR BOARD THE TITLE II
24 AND TITLE 6 ORDINANCES SO THAT WILL BE REALLY IMPORTANT AND
25 WE'RE ALSO PREPARING A BOARD LETTER THAT WILL GIVE THE VARIOUS



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1 DELEGATED AUTHORITIES TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THIS IS GOING TO
2 BE VERY IMPORTANT. THIS WILL HELP, THERE'S VARIOUS DELEGATED
3 AUTHORITIES THAT HOUSING FOR HEALTH HAS HAD WITHIN THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES THAT HAS BEEN KEY AND CRITICAL
5 TO HOUSING FOR HEALTH'S SUCCESS. AND THERE ALSO ARE LESSONS
6 LEARNED FROM OUR HOMELESS EMERGENCY AND THINGS, CAN WE JUST
7 MAKE THIS THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS? SO, WE WILL BE
8 BRINGING TO YOU A BOARD LETTER THAT MEMORIALIZES THOSE VARIOUS
9 DELEGATED AUTHORITIES THAT WE BELIEVE HSH WILL NEED IN ORDER
10 TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

11
12 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** GREAT. AND CAN YOU SAY A LITTLE BIT
13 MORE ABOUT THE PROCESS AND TIMELINE THAT HSH WILL GO THROUGH
14 TO BECOME A MEDICAL BILLER AND A DMH CONTRACTOR? I THINK THE
15 INTEGRATION OF THESE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES WILL BE
16 CRITICAL TO THE DEPARTMENT'S IMPACT, AS WE JUST EVEN HEARD
17 FROM OUR PREVIOUS CONVERSATION, IT'S REALLY THAT COLLABORATION
18 AND INTEGRATION THAT'S GOING TO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE. SO, CAN
19 YOU TALK ABOUT HOW THAT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO WORK?

20
21 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY. IT'S ONE OF THE THINGS I'M MOST
22 EXCITED ABOUT WITH HSH. SO HSH IS GETTING CREATED RIGHT NOW TO
23 BE A CLINICAL ENTITY. AND WE HAVE THE ROADMAP LAID OUT FOR US
24 AND A PATH TO BE PART OF THE COUNTY'S COVERED ENTITY BY
25 JANUARY 1ST. THIS IS REALLY INCREDIBLE TIMELINE TO MOVE THIS



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1 SWIFTLY, BUT WORKING CLOSELY WITH CEO'S OFFICE AND COUNTY
2 COUNSEL, WE HAVE CREATED THAT PATHWAY. WE HAVE ALSO SECURED A
3 NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER, WHICH IS NECESSARY
4 FOR US TO HAVE TO BE ABLE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH MANAGED
5 CARE PLANS. SO, WE HAVE THOSE TWO CRITICAL PIECES IN PLACE.
6 THE TITLE II ORDINANCE THAT WILL BE BROUGHT TO YOU WILL
7 SPECIFY THAT THE NEW DEPARTMENT WILL BE PROVIDING BEHAVIORAL
8 HEALTH SERVICES, SO THAT WILL BE AN IMPORTANT PIECE THAT WILL
9 ENABLE US TO BE ABLE TO EXPAND THESE SERVICES INTO THE FUTURE.
10 IN OUR CONVERSATION SO FAR WITH DR. FERRER AND WITH DR. WONG,
11 WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THAT HSH WILL LIKELY BECOME A DMH PROVIDER.
12 SO THAT MEANS THAT HSH WILL BE A PROVIDER UNDER THE DEPARTMENT
13 OF MENTAL HEALTH TO PROVIDE FULL-SERVICE PARTNERSHIP SERVICES,
14 WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO EXPAND DMH'S FSP NETWORK, AS WELL AS
15 BUILD OUT THAT CAPACITY AND REALLY INTEGRATE THOSE SERVICES
16 INTO THE HOMELESS SYSTEM OF CARE. WE ALSO HAVE BEEN TALKING
17 WITH DR. TSAI AT SAPC ABOUT HSH EVENTUALLY BECOMING A DRUG
18 MEDI-CAL PROVIDER UNDER SAPC AS WELL. SO, WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN
19 IS WE'RE NOT JUST COORDINATING WITH THOSE DEPARTMENTS, BUT
20 WE'RE ACTUALLY BECOMING A PROVIDER OF THEM, DRAWING DOWN THAT
21 FUNDING TO HELP SUPPORT OUR OPERATIONS AND AGAIN HAVING IT BE
22 VERY INTEGRATED INTO OUR HOUSING CONTINUUM OF SERVICES AND TO
23 FILL SOME OF THE GAPS THAT EXIST IN OUR CURRENT OUR CURRENT
24 STRUCTURE. WE ALSO HAVE INITIATED CONVERSATIONS WITH ALL OF
25 THE MANAGED CARE PLANS TO BEGIN TO TRANSITION OVER CONTRACTS



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1 FROM DHS TO HSH FOR ALL OF THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES THAT
2 HOUSING FOR HEALTH IS CURRENTLY CONTRACTED WITH THE MANAGED
3 CARE PLANS. AS PART OF THAT WE HAVE ALSO BEGIN CONVERSATIONS
4 THE MANAGED CARE PLANS HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MILD TO
5 MODERATE MENTAL HEALTH. THAT IS NOT THE PURVIEW OF DEPARTMENT
6 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THEY HAVE SIMILARLY RESPONSIBILITY FOR
7 SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES THAT ARE LOWER TOUCH. WE ALSO INTEND ON
8 CONTRACTING WITH HEALTH PLANS TO BE PROVIDING THOSE BEHAVIORAL
9 HEALTH SERVICES AS WELL. SO, WE'RE RIGHT NOW FOCUSED ON LAYING
10 OUT THE FOUNDATION THAT WILL ENABLE US TO ENTER INTO THOSE
11 KINDS OF CONTRACTS. THEN WE'LL NEED TO BE WORKING ON BUILDING
12 OUT THE DATA SYSTEMS THAT WE'LL NEED TO BE ABLE TO DO THE
13 CLAIMING. SO, WE'RE TAKING A VERY METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH TO
14 MAKE SURE OUR FOUNDATION IS TIGHT SO OVER THE COMING YEARS WE
15 CAN REALLY BE AMPING UP OUR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND
16 HAVE THEM DIRECTLY PROVIDED BY HSH.

17
18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I'M GLAD TO HEAR YOU HIGHLIGHT THOSE
19 LOWER-LEVEL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES THAT AREN'T DIRECTLY
20 PROVIDED BY DMH BUT ARE CRITICALLY NEEDED. I THINK IT'S ONE OF
21 THE THINGS WE HEAR MOST CONSISTENTLY, NOT ONLY FROM THE CITY
22 OF LOS ANGELES, BUT SO ALL OF THE CITIES THAT WE SERVE
23 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, JUST HOW CRITICAL THAT LEVEL OF SERVICE
24 AND CARE IS. SO, I'M GLAD YOU'RE SETTING YOURSELVES UP TO BE
25 ABLE TO ACTUALLY DELIVER ON THAT IN A WAY THAT ISN'T CURRENTLY



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1 BEING PROVIDED. I WOULD ALSO SAY, I KNOW THAT THERE'S SO MUCH
2 FOR YOU TO DO IN STANDING UP A NEW DEPARTMENT AND SO SYSTEMS
3 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY ARE GOING TO
4 BE ESSENTIAL AND THE GOAL IS OUTCOMES AND SO IF ALL WE DO IS
5 SET UP A NEW BUREAUCRATIC PROCESS AND WASH RINSE REPEAT THAT'S
6 NOT GOING TO BE GOOD ENOUGH. WE HAVE TO BE OUTCOME ORIENTED.
7 AND SO, I KNOW THAT'S STILL A FOCUS FOR YOU, BUT JUST TO
8 REINFORCE THAT, WE DEFINITELY NEED GOOD SYSTEMS, INTELLIGIBLE
9 TO THE AVERAGE PERSON WHO'S BOTH TRYING TO ACCESS THEM,
10 WHETHER THEY THEMSELVES ARE UNHOUSED OR THEY ARE TRYING TO
11 SERVE AN UNHOUSED NEIGHBOR. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE HAVE
12 TO SEE RESULTS ON THE STREET. AND SO, I KNOW THAT THAT IS
13 ALWAYS THE NORTH STAR FOR YOU AND THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING.
14 WELCOME TO OUR NEW CEO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR JOINING US FOR
15 TODAY'S CONVERSATION. AND THANK YOU FOR TAKING ON THIS ROLE.
16 IT'S NO SECRET THAT LAHSA HAS BEEN CHALLENGED FOR A PERIOD OF
17 TIME LONG BEFORE, YOU KNOW, ALL OF US WERE ON THIS BOARD. AND
18 I THINK THAT YOU ARE STEPPING IN AT A CHALLENGING TIME, BUT I
19 ALSO THINK THAT YOUR EXPERTISE AND YOUR EXPERIENCE WILL HELP
20 SERVE THE ORGANIZATION WELL AND SERVE THE COLLABORATION THAT
21 WE'RE ALL TALKING ABOUT HERE TODAY. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
22 FOR JOINING US FOR TODAY'S CONVERSATION. I KNOW YOU MENTIONED
23 YOU'RE ONLY ONE WEEK ON THE JOB, SO WE'RE NOT PERHAPS GOING TO
24 GET TO SOME OF THE MOST HARD HITTING OF QUESTIONS, THOUGH I DO
25 THINK THAT YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE COUNTY STAFF THAT IS



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1 ALREADY INSIDE LAHSA, EMBEDDED THERE TO COMPLETE SERVICE
2 PROVIDER CONTRACTS AND GET THE ADVANCE PAYMENTS OUT, I THINK
3 IS A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF HOW THIS TRANSITION WORKS. SO HOW
4 CLOSE ARE WE ON THE COUNTY FUNDED CONTRACTS TO BEING FULLY
5 EXECUTED FOR 2526 FISCAL YEAR.

6

7 **GITA O'NEIL:** YOU KNOW, WE'RE PRETTY CLOSE. WE HAVE A TOTAL OF
8 528 CONTRACTS FOR THE WHOLE FISCAL YEAR. WE'RE 40% EXECUTION
9 ACROSS THE BOARD FOR THE COUNTY. THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 312
10 COUNTY FUNDED CONTRACTS WITH 56% FULLY EXECUTED. OF THE 312,
11 THE COUNTY SUPPORTING WITH 149 CONTRACTS AND THE SUPPORT TEAM
12 PARALLELS THE WORK THAT OUR FOLKS DO AS WELL ON SITE. AND FOR
13 THE CITY, IF YOU WANT THOSE STATS AS WELL, THERE ARE 151 CITY-
14 FUNDED CONTRACTS WITH 32% EXECUTION. AND IT SHOULD BE NOTICED
15 THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS CAN'T BE EXECUTED, AS YOU
16 KNOW, UNLESS IF THE FUND AGREEMENTS ARE NOT FULLY EXECUTED AND
17 TWO OF THE EIGHT FUND AGREEMENTS ARE STILL OUTSTANDING.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, THAT'S HELPFUL TO TRACK
20 PROGRESS. I KNOW FROM A SERVICE PROVIDER PERSPECTIVE A LOT OF
21 THE CONCERNS THAT WE'RE HEARING ARE THE TRANSITION OF THOSE
22 CONTRACTS, THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACTS, AND HOW WE MAKE
23 SURE THAT THEY ULTIMATELY ARE FUNDED FOR THE SERVICES THAT
24 THEY'RE PROVIDING. I KNOW SOME OF THEM ARE MAKING CHOICES
25 THAT, ONCE AGAIN, SEEM UNINTELLIGIBLE GIVEN THAT WE JUST



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1 PASSED A MEASURE TO INCREASE FUNDING, BUT IF THEY AREN'T
2 GETTING THAT FUNDING OR THEY AREN'T GETTING PAID COMPARABLE TO
3 WHAT THE AMOUNT OF THE SERVICE ACTUALLY EQUALS TO, THEN THEY
4 CAN'T CONTINUE PROVIDING THE LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT WE NEED.
5 AND SO, THEY'RE MAKING DIFFICULT CHOICES IN EACH OF THEIR
6 ORGANIZATIONS RIGHT NOW BECAUSE OF THAT. SO, IT'S ESSENTIAL
7 THAT WE'RE ALL WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THOSE CONTRACTS
8 ARE EXECUTED TO THE EXTENT THAT WE WANT THEM TO CONTINUE
9 BECAUSE THERE MAY BE ORGANIZATIONS WITH WHOM WE NO LONGER WANT
10 TO CONTRACT. BUT I WOULD SAY AS PARTIES TO THE JOINT POWERS
11 AUTHORITY, BOTH THE COUNTY AND THE CITY NEED TO UNDERSTAND
12 LOSSES, FINANCIAL RECORDS WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON HOW
13 FUNDING IS BRAIDED, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE CONVERSATION WE JUST
14 HAD AND YOUR ROLE CONTINUING AS THE COC, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT'S
15 GOING TO BE A HUGE QUESTION MARK GIVEN THE CHALLENGES THAT
16 WE'RE FACING FOR THE REGION. AND SO, GETTING A CLEAR
17 UNDERSTANDING WILL BE IMPORTANT AS DECISIONS ARE MADE ABOUT
18 PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE IMPACTED AS WE UNBRAID FUNDING IF WE
19 CHOOSE TO DO SO. AND SO IT'S TIME FOR THAT CLARITY, FOR FULL
20 VISIBILITY INTO THE BOOKS AND ALSO INTO HOW WE NEED THIS
21 PARTNERSHIP TO WORK GOING FORWARD. WE ALSO NEED TO WORK
22 TOGETHER TO SUPPORT LAHSA STAFF WHO ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT
23 THEIR FUTURES AND THEIR EMPLOYMENT. AND I KNOW WE CAN WORK
24 TOGETHER TO KEEP COMMUNICATION OPEN AND CLEAR. WE OWE THAT TO
25 THE LAHSA TEAMS WHO ARE DOING SO MUCH OF THAT HARD WORK. AND I



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1 KNOW THAT'S THE STANDARD THAT YOU'RE SETTING AS YOU'RE COMING
2 INTO LEADERSHIP THERE. AND SO, THANK YOU FOR TAKING ON THIS
3 ROLE AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TO BE IN CONVERSATION WITH
4 US ABOUT HOW WE ARE MOVING FORWARD IN THIS TRANSITION.

5
6 **GITA O'NEIL:** GREAT, THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
11 THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. LET ME START BY EXPRESSING MY
12 APPRECIATION ON YOUR SLIDES THAT YOU WALKED US THROUGH THE
13 TRACKING AND HIRING AND CONTRACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
14 COUNTY'S DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE WORKFORCE OUTCOME. SO, I
15 APPRECIATED SEEING THAT DOCUMENTATION AND THAT WAS PAID
16 ATTENTION TO SINCE THAT WAS A PART OF THE COUNTY STRATEGIC
17 PLAN. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND AGAIN, PATHWAY HOMES
18 CONTINUED SUCCESS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO THE RV
19 ENCAMPMENT REMOVAL AND THE REDUCTION IN TIME AND THE NUMBERS
20 OF PEOPLE SERVED. IT IS INDEED A MILESTONE TO GET TO THAT
21 1,000TH RV, SO I APPRECIATE YOU. I HOPE, PERHAPS THAT, AT SOME
22 POINT, THIS BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT, YOU KNOW, WOULD BE
23 WILLING TO SET SOME TARGETS. YOU'VE ESTABLISHED SORT OF
24 PERHAPS A BASELINE, AND THAT WE'D BE WILLING TO SET SOME
25 TARGETS TO CONTINUE TO PUSH THE ENVELOPE, TO MAKE SURE THAT



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1 WE'RE CONTINUING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR SHARED CONSTITUENCY
2 AROUND THOSE ENCAMPMENTS. SO, I WANTED TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON
3 THAT. BEAR WITH ME. I'VE GOT SOME QUESTIONS REALLY IN TERMS OF
4 THE NEW DEPARTMENT AND THE BUDGET PROCESS AND TIMING. WHEN I
5 LOOKED AT YOUR PROJECT TIMELINE SLIDE, I'D WISH THAT WE HAD
6 SOME, COULD SOMEHOW BE OVERLAID WITH KIND OF THE COUNTY
7 BUDGETING TIMELINE AS WELL. SO, A COUPLE QUESTIONS. SO, THE
8 NEW DEPARTMENT IS SCHEDULED TO LAUNCH JANUARY 1ST, WHICH IS
9 MIDWAY THROUGH THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, 25/26. AND WE DON'T,
10 AS OF YET, HAVE A FINALIZED BUDGET. BUT THE ASSUMPTION IS THAT
11 IT WILL BE THE ADOPTED MEASURE H AND HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE
12 BUDGET. SO, THE QUESTION IS WILL THIS BE REFLECTED IN THE
13 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET FOR THE HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE AND
14 HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND THE NEW DEPARTMENT WHEN AND WHERE WILL
15 I BE ABLE TO SEE THAT.

16
17 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU ASK THE SECOND
18 PART OF THAT QUESTION.

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** DEPARTMENT'S GOING TO LAUNCH JANUARY
21 THAT'S MIDWAY THROUGH OUR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. AND SO, AND WE
22 DON'T HAVE A FINALIZED BUDGET. AND SO, I'M ASSUMING THAT THE
23 DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO, IT WILL BE A PART OF THE ADOPTED
24 MEASURE H IN THE HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE BUDGET. SO, MY
25 QUESTION IS, WILL IT BE REFLECTED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET



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1 FOR UNDER HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE AND HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND
2 THE NEW DEPARTMENT?

3
4 **JERAMY GRAY:** SO SUPERVISOR, IT WILL BE REFLECTED BECAUSE AS IT
5 STANDS NOW, CEO-HI AND HOUSING FOR HEALTH ARE IN TWO SEPARATE
6 AGENCIES, IT WILL EVOLVE, BUT YOU WILL SEE IT SLIGHTLY
7 DISAGGREGATED, BUT WE CAN PRESENT IT IN A WAY THAT GIVES YOUR
8 BOARD A COMPREHENSIVE PICTURE OF THE RESOURCES THAT WILL
9 SUPPORT THE DEPARTMENT IN THE FIRST PHASES?

10
11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, WE'LL SEE IT AS IT SUPPORTS THE
12 WORK, WHERE THE WORK IS CURRENTLY HOUSED, BUT WE SHOULD ASSUME
13 THAT THAT WILL BE THE FUNDING FOR THE NEW DEPARTMENT.

14
15 **JERAMY GRAY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16
17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SECOND QUESTION, THE
18 MEASURE A INPUT PROCESS FOR FISCAL YEAR 26/27 BUDGET PROCESS
19 HAS ALREADY BEGUN AND WITH THAT BUDGET SCHEDULED TO COME TO
20 THE BOARD IN JANUARY, WHICH IS JUST A FEW WEEKS AFTER THE
21 DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES. SO, THE QUESTION IS, HOW IS THE BUDGET
22 PROCESS GOING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A DEPARTMENT WHOSE
23 ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE IS STILL BEING FINALIZED? YOU FOLLOW
24 ME?



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1 **JERAMY GRAY:** YEAH, THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THAT QUESTION,
2 SUPERVISOR, AND THAT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION BECAUSE WE'RE
3 BUILDING THE PLANE, AS YOU KNOW, AS WE FLY.

4

5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I KNOW.

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7 **JERAMY GRAY:** AND ULTIMATELY, WE ARE USING CERTAIN PROJECTIONS
8 TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THE NECESSARY RESOURCES IN PLACE TO
9 SUPPORT THAT. THE PROCESS WILL ALLOW US TO FORECAST THAT COST
10 AND MAKE SURE THAT WE MEET IT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE
11 TO THIS BOARD. ONE OF THE LESSONS LEARNED THAT WE LEARNED
12 WITH. OTHER NEWER AGENCIES IS THAT. WE'RE REALLY LOOKING AT. A
13 THREE-YEAR GROWTH PLAN. WE SEE THAT ON AVERAGE WITH OUR NEW
14 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. SO, WE'RE SATISFIED THAT WE'LL HAVE
15 EVERYTHING PIVOTAL TO DO THE NECESSARY SERVICE DELIVERY ON DAY
16 ONE. BUT ON THE BACK OF THE NAPKIN, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
17 SARAH AND THE CEO TEAM IS TALKING ABOUT IN THOSE OUTER YEARS,
18 HOW WILL THE ORGANIZATION NEED TO EVOLVE? SO THAT WILL CHANGE
19 OVER TIME. BUT ULTIMATELY, WE BELIEVE AT THIS JUNCTURE, IN
20 PHASE ONE, THAT WE WILL HAVE ALL THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO
21 SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, STAFFING NEEDS, ETC.

22

23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** EVEN THOUGH THE ORGANIZATIONAL
24 STRUCTURES WILL STILL BE BEING FINALIZED PRIOR TO THE BUDGET
25 BEING FINALIZED?



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2 **JERAMY GRAY:** YES, BECAUSE FOUNDATIONALLY WE KNOW THE NUMBER OF
3 STAFF ALREADY IN PLACE IN CEO-HI, IN HOUSING FOR HEALTH, AND
4 THEN WE UNDERSTAND CONCEPTUALLY THE NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE
5 RESOURCES THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED, NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THOSE
6 INDIVIDUALS IN PROGRAMS AS WELL.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, HELPFUL.

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10 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** SUPERVISOR. THE COUNTY- SUPERVISOR. IN THE
11 PROGRAMS. CAN I JUST ADD, JUST IN TERMS OF PROCESS, I THINK
12 WHAT YOU WILL LIKELY TO SEE IS THE CONSOLIDATION OF FUNDING,
13 PERHAPS IN A MID-YEAR? AND THEN AS THE PROCESS MOVES FORWARD,
14 YOU KNOW, HISTORICALLY WE'VE HAD THE MEASURE A, MEASURE H
15 FUNDING COME TO THE BOARD AND RECOMMEND, WE PLOP THAT IN THE
16 BUDGET. AND THEN THE DEPARTMENT WORKS ON VARIOUS SPENDING
17 PLANS AND THAT GETS FINALIZED AND FINAL CHANGES. AND THEN WE
18 HAVE CARRYOVER FUNDING AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE AND
19 SUPPLEMENTAL. SO, WHEN TALKING WITH OUR CEO LAST WEEK ABOUT
20 HOW THE PROCESS WILL EVOLVE, HER UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IT WILL
21 REMAIN RELATIVELY THE SAME. AND SO, THEY'LL UNDERGO A VERY
22 SIMILAR PROCESS GOING FORWARD, AS WE'VE SEEN IN THE PAST WHEN
23 IT WAS HI AND HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND OTHER NON-CONSOLIDATED
24 FUNCTIONS.

25



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SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: GOT IT. ALL RIGHT. WITH IT ALL
HAPPENING SIMULTANEOUSLY, I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW I AND
THE PUBLIC CAN CONTINUE TO TRACK AND UNDERSTAND THE LEVEL OF
INVESTMENT SO WE CAN HAVE A SENSE OF REASSURANCE IN TERMS OF
OUR ANTICIPATED LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE. SO, I JUST WANT TO
UNDERSTAND THE TIMING BECAUSE IT'S NOT IDEAL. SO, I JUST
WANTED TO UNDERSTAND HOW YOU INTEND TO APPROACH IT. NEXT
QUESTION, AND IT DEALS WITH LAHSA. SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE
ALREADY ASKED THE QUESTION. SO, THE COUNTY FUNDED PROGRAMS
CURRENTLY ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA ARE SCHEDULED TO TRANSFER TO
THE COUNTY BY JULY 1, 2026, THESE SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE
JANUARY BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR 26/27 SO WHEN WILL WE IN THE
PUBLIC RECEIVE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE PROGRAMS FUNDING
AND STAFFING POSITIONS THAT WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM LAHSA TO
THE COUNTY.

SARAH MAHIN: SO, WE ARE UNDERTAKING THE CONVERSATIONS NOW TO
BEGIN THE PLANNING. I THINK AS YOU SO RIGHTLY MENTIONED, THIS
GOES HAND IN HAND WITH THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. SO, IT
WILL BE ONCE THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN IS APPROVED AND
FINALIZED BY THE BOARD THAT WILL BE SORT OF THE FINAL
DECISIONS. AND WE WILL BE BRINGING FORWARD MORE INFORMATION ON
THOSE DECISIONS AS WE WORK THROUGH, WORKING THROUGH ALL THE
FUNDING STREAMS WITH GITA AND HER TEAM AND MAKE SURE, AGAIN,
WE DON'T WANT TO BE HAVING UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES WITH



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SUPERVISORS

1 PULLING BACK COUNTY FUNDING, SO WE REALLY WANT TO BE
2 THOUGHTFUL AND WORKING THROUGH THIS WITH GITA AND HER TEAM SO
3 WE CAN UNDERSTAND AND REMEDY ANY CONSEQUENCES THAT THERE MIGHT
4 BE BEFORE THAT HAPPENS. SO, WE EXPECT THAT IT WILL BE OVER THE
5 COMING MONTHS AND WOULD BE FINALIZED AS PART OF THE MEASURE A
6 SPENDING PLAN.

7
8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND SO, GIVE ME A SEASON OR A
9 TIMEFRAME IF IT'S GOING TO BE FINALIZED. GIVE ME A TIMEFRAME.
10 I APPRECIATE THAT IT'S GOT TO BE STRATEGIC AND THOUGHTFUL.
11 GIVE ME A, SO THAT'S FIRST QUARTER 2026. JUST GIVE ME A
12 GENERAL IDEA.

13
14 **SARAH MAHIN:** OH, NO, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT LAST QUARTER 2025
15 BECAUSE IT WILL BE AS PART OF THE DRAFT SPENDING PLAN FOR
16 MEASURE A RIGHT WILL RELEASE IN NOVEMBER SO IT WILL THERE WILL
17 BE INFORMATION IN NOVEMBER IN THAT DRAFT SPENDING.

18
19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** FINAL QUARTER 2025 AND WE WILL HAVE
20 THE DETAILED INFORMATION AND PROGRAMS, FUNDING, ALL OF THAT,
21 AND IT'LL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AS WELL.

22
23 **SARAH MAHIN:** CORRECT.

24
25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** PERFECT, THANK YOU. YOU TALKED ABOUT



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SUPERVISORS

1 ALL OF THE VARIOUS ENTITIES THAT TOUCH HOMELESSNESS. SO, THE
2 LABOR COUNCIL ESTABLISHED BY MEASURE A FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF
3 FAIR WAGES FOR WORKERS AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS IS EXPECTED
4 TO PROVIDE INPUT FOR THE 26/27 BUDGET BEFORE IT COMES TO THE
5 BOARD AND THE COUNCIL IS IN PROCESS OF BEING APPOINTED. SO,
6 THE QUESTION IS HOW WILL THE CURRENT TIMELINE ALLOW FOR
7 MEANINGFUL INPUT FROM THE LABOR COUNCIL PARTICULARLY ON WAGE
8 RELATED ITEMS SO THEY ARE PROPERLY REFLECTED IN THE NEW
9 DEPARTMENT'S 26/27 BUDGET.

10

11 **SARAH MAHIN:** SO, THE BOARD MOTION THAT DIRECTED US TO CREATE
12 THE LABOR COUNCIL ACTUALLY HAS THE FIRST REPORT OF THE LABOR
13 COUNCIL COMING IN JUNE 2026. WOULD BE, WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT
14 IT WOULD BE AFTER THE SPENDING PLAN IS --

15

16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THAT'S MY POINT.

17

18 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH. SO, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO BE
19 CAREFULLY CONSIDERING TOGETHER AROUND HOW THIS IS HANDLED. ONE
20 APPROACH COULD BE THAT THERE JUST BE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE
21 INCREASE THAT IS BUILT INTO OUR SPENDING PLAN PENDING FINAL
22 DISCERNMENT BY THE LABOR COUNCIL. SO, THERE'S SOME DIFFERENT
23 OPTIONS HERE. IF WE READ STRICTLY THE BOARD MOTION THAT WAS
24 APPROVED IT WOULD BE AFTER JUNE BUT WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOUR
25 OFFICES ON THE RIGHT APPROACH TO THIS.



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, THAT'S HELPFUL. I JUST WANTED TO
3 MAKE SURE THAT YOU REALIZE THAT WE'VE PUT THE CART BEFORE THE
4 HORSE IN THIS AREA AND THAT THERE'S SOME ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
5 THAT. I WOULDN'T WANT THE LABOR COUNCIL TO DO THE WORK AND THE
6 BUDGET NOT REFLECT WHAT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE.

7

8 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY.

9

10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THAT. I'M SURE
11 THAT I'M MISSING SOME OF THE OTHER KEY PARTNERS, YOU KNOW, THE
12 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS ALIGNMENT, AND
13 I'M JUST SURE I'M MISSING SOME OTHER PIECES AS I THINK ABOUT
14 THE BUDGET TRACK. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU GOING THROUGH THAT. AND
15 IT'S IMPORTANT, AND THE REASON I ASK THESE QUESTIONS, BECAUSE
16 I THINK YOU KNOW, ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES STATED RIGHT BEFORE OUR
17 BREAK THAT EVERY DOLLAR NEEDS TO BE SCRUTINIZED IN A VERY
18 TOUGH BUDGET MOMENT, AND I AGREE. AND PERSONALLY, I THINK
19 THAT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR EVERY BUDGET CYCLE, BUT
20 PARTICULARLY WHEN YOU ARE IN THE RED AND THE BAD NEWS JUST
21 CONTINUES TO COME. I KNOW THAT WE'VE GOT COMMUNITY MEMBERS
22 HERE TODAY ADVOCATING FOR HOUSING STABILITY, PARTICULARLY RENT
23 RELIEF FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T YET ENTERED THE HOUSELESSNESS
24 HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM. AND YOU KNOW, WE WANT TO KEEP PEOPLE
25 HOUSED TO THE DEGREE THAT WE CAN. SO IT WASN'T CLEAR BASED ON



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHAT WE JUST WENT THROUGH. SO, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT WE
2 DON'T HAVE THE FULL PICTURE OF OUR CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET BASED
3 ON THE FIRST PRESENTATION. ALL OF THE UNKNOWNNS BETWEEN THE
4 REGULATORY PROCESS, WHO KNOWS WHAT OTHER EXECUTIVE ORDERS
5 COULD COME DOWN THAT WOULD IMPACT US, NOT JUST DOWN THE LINE
6 IMMEDIATELY. AND SO, I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE
7 CLEAR ABOUT POTENTIAL IMPACT FOR HOMELESSNESS SERVICES AND
8 HOUSING DUE TO THOSE FACTORS AND RECOGNIZING THAT WE'RE
9 STANDING UP A NEW DEPARTMENT MID BUDGET CYCLE, THE TIMING OF
10 THE COUNTY'S SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PROCESS. AND SO, I'M JUST
11 CONCERNED THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE PERHAPS MORE
12 THOUGHTFUL AND MORE SURGICAL GIVEN ALL OF THESE THINGS THAT
13 ARE HAPPENING IN AN EFFORT TO MAINTAIN THE SERVICES THAT YOU
14 PRESENTED IN YOUR SLIDES AND THAT PEOPLE CONTINUE TO EXPECT
15 TIMELY RESPONSES AND THAT WE GET PEOPLE HOUSED AND HOUSED
16 QUICKLY. AND SO, I REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE, I THINK THAT IN
17 THE FUTURE WHEN WE'RE READY, THAT WE ALSO HAVE A CLEAR AND
18 COMPREHENSIVE PRESENTATION THAT OUTLINES THE SEPARATION OF THE
19 HOMELESS INITIATIVE FROM THE CEO'S OFFICE, HOUSING FOR HEALTH
20 FROM DHS, AND THE TRANSFER OF COUNTY FUNDED LAHSA PROGRAMS.
21 I'M HOPING TO SEE THAT CLEARLY SO WE UNDERSTAND THE TIMING OF
22 THAT SEPARATION. BECAUSE THAT PRESENTATION SHOULD ALSO DETAIL
23 THE COST, SERVICE IMPACT SPECIFICALLY, AND THE TIMELINE FOR
24 THESE CHANGES. I KEEP EMPHASIZING TIMELINE. I AM SO GLAD THAT
25 WE'VE GOT THE PUBLIC DASHBOARD POSTED SO PEOPLE CAN SEE WHAT'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAPPENING, AND I DON'T WANT US TO TAKE OUR FOOT OFF THAT
2 ACCELERATOR, PARTICULARLY GIVEN THE FIRST PRESENTATION WITH
3 WHAT'S COMING TO US AS A RESULT OF H.R.-1, MAKING SURE THAT
4 WHAT'S WITHIN OUR CONTROL CONTINUES TO REFLECT THE PRIORITIES
5 OF THIS COUNTY AND THE NEEDS OF OUR CONSTITUENTS, BOTH THOSE
6 THAT ARE HOUSED AND UNHOUSED, IN TRYING TO SOLVE FOR THIS
7 REALLY MORAL DILEMMA AS QUICKLY AS WE POSSIBLY CAN. SO I'M
8 GOING TO LOOK FORWARD TO UNDERSTANDING HOW THIS IS ALL GOING
9 TO COME TOGETHER SO WE CAN TRACK IT AND MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE
10 PAYING VERY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THIS BUDGET AND THAT WE HAVE
11 THE INFORMATION WE NEED TO MAKE THE TOUGH DECISIONS THAT ARE
12 GOING TO CONFRONT US AS A GOVERNING BODY. SO, THANK YOU, MADAM
13 CHAIR. APPRECIATE IT.

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

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK
18 YOU TO SARAH AND YOUR TEAM FOR THIS PRESENTATION ABOUT OUR
19 EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND HOW WE'RE USING IT TO ADDRESS OUR
20 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. I ALSO WANT TO ADD MY WELCOME AND
21 CONGRATULATIONS TO GITA O'NEILL FOR BEING HERE AND FOR YOUR
22 APPOINTMENT AS OUR NEW INTERIM LAHSA CEO. I KNOW WE WISH YOU
23 ALL THE BEST AND KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE WORKING CLOSELY WITH
24 THE ENTIRE BOARD BUT ALSO WITH THE NEW CHAIR, MY APPOINTEE
25 AMBER SHEIK AND SHE LOOKS VERY MUCH FORWARD TO HAVING A GREAT



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1 WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU. I WANTED TO FIRST DISCUSS THE
2 EXPEDITED HIRING PROCESS THAT THIS EMERGENCY DECLARATION GIVES
3 US. AND AS I UNDERSTAND IT'S NOT JUST FOR YOU KNOW, THE
4 HOMELESS DEPARTMENT OR H I BET IT GAVE US AUTHORITY TO
5 EXPEDITE HIRING ACROSS ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND I BELIEVE
6 WE'VE USED THIS EMERGENCY DECLARATION TO HIRE A TOTAL OF 719
7 INDIVIDUALS ACROSS A BUNCH OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. SO, DO WE
8 HAVE, ARE THERE OUTSTANDING POSITIONS LEFT THAT WE HAVE
9 IDENTIFIED THAT WE NEED TO HIRE? AND GIVEN THE FINANCIAL, A
10 LOT OF WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WAS TALKING ABOUT, THE
11 FINANCIAL UNKNOWNNS, BUT SOME ARE KNOWN, PARTICULARLY AS IT
12 RELATES TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, ARE WE LOOKING TO RAMP DOWN
13 OR RAMP UP OUR HIRING PROCESS ACROSS THE COUNTY AS IT
14 SPECIFICALLY RELATES TO ADDRESSING THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS.

15
16 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. I'LL START AND JERAMY
17 MIGHT HAVE MORE TO ADD. SO, THERE ARE DEFINITELY STILL
18 POSITIONS THAT ARE BEING HIRED ON AND IT'S YOU KNOW ALSO AS
19 STAFF LEAVE YOU KNOW REFILLING POSITIONS SO THERE'S ALWAYS
20 HIRING HAPPENING AND THERE ARE STILL POSITIONS TO BE HIRED
21 RELATED TO THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION. I WILL NOTE THAT THE
22 PROCESS FOR THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION APPROVAL REQUIRES A FEW
23 STEPS TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THE FUNDING SO IT REQUIRES CEO
24 BUDGET TO CONFIRM THAT THERE'S FUNDING AVAILABLE IT ALSO
25 REQUIRES DEPARTMENT HEADS TO APPROVE IT TO ENSURE THAT THIS IS



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1 A PRIORITY POSITION THAT'S NOT JUST FUNDED BUT IS PRIORITY TO
2 BE MOVING FORWARD. SO, THERE ARE THOSE STEPS, AND AS YOU'RE
3 MENTIONING, SORT OF MAKING SURE WITH OUR FISCAL ENVIRONMENT
4 THAT WE'RE KEEPING.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** IS OUR HOMELESS DEPARTMENT, THE ONE THAT
7 IDENTIFIES THE TARGET, AND THEN IT GOES THROUGH THE
8 DEPARTMENTS FOR APPROVAL OR IS IT A COLLABORATION THAT I THINK
9 THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I HEARD THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS TO SORT
10 OF AGREE.

11

12 **SARAH MAHIN:** SO, AT THE BEGINNING OF THE HOMELESS EMERGENCY
13 DECLARATION WHEN CEO'S OFFICE WAS ESTABLISHING ALL OF THIS,
14 THERE WAS WORK THAT WAS DONE WITH DEPARTMENTS TO IDENTIFY ALL
15 THE POSITIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT THAT HAS A NEXUS TO
16 HOMELESSNESS. SO THAT WORK WAS DONE AT THE FRONT END. AND THEN
17 AS DEPARTMENTS ARE SEEKING TO FILL THOSE POSITIONS, THEY
18 SUBMIT REQUESTS TO USE THE AUTHORITY TO MOVE FORWARD. THAT'S
19 AT THE POINT WHERE THERE'S ANOTHER SORT OF REVIEW TO ENSURE
20 THAT THERE'S FUNDING AND BUDGET AVAILABLE FOR IT, AND THAT THE
21 DEPARTMENT HEAD SUPPORTS IT. SO THAT'S THE PROCESS ON THE
22 EMERGENCY HIRES. I KNOW THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH HAS
23 USED THIS HIRING AUTHORITY VERY ROBUSTLY TO BE HIRING DIRECT
24 SERVICE STAFF AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH THAT ARE
25 PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS ON



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1 THE STREETS AND INTERIM HOUSING AND PERMANENT HOUSING. AND
2 IT'S REALLY CRITICAL THAT CONTINUES TO HAPPEN.

3

4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I MEAN, YOU MENTIONED HOUSING FIRST, RIGHT?
5 I'M WONDERING NOW WITH SORT OF WHAT WE'RE HEARING FROM THAT
6 EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT IS LOOKING TO MAYBE NOT THROW FEDERAL
7 DOLLARS OUR WAY IF IT RELATES TO HOUSING FIRST. IS THERE A
8 NEED NOW TO MAYBE RAMP UP IF WE CAN AND THERE'S FUNDING
9 AVAILABLE SPECIFICALLY TO KEEP THAT PROGRAM ROBUST.

10

11 **SARAH MAHIN:** WELL, WE WANT TO BE BRINGING IN EVERY FEDERAL
12 DOLLAR THAT WE CAN AND MAXIMIZING IT AND IT IS FEDERAL
13 DOLLARS.

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WE DON'T GET IT.

16

17 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH OH, IF WE DON'T GET IT. I DON'T ANTICIPATE
18 THAT THE SERVICES THAT DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, I THINK AS
19 THEY PRESENTED EARLIER, THEY'RE NOT ANTICIPATING ANY DIRECT
20 IMPACT ON THOSE SERVICE DOLLARS.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I'M JUST SAYING MAYBE IT'S NOW TIME TO LOOK
23 AT THE EXPEDITED HIRING WITHIN THE COUNTY TO SORT OF, YOU
24 KNOW, PUT OUR GUARD RAILS UP AGAINST WHAT MIGHT BE PERCEIVED
25 AS A LACK OF FEDERAL DOLLARS. YOU SEE WHAT I'M SAYING? AM I



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SUPERVISORS

1 MAKING MYSELF CLEAR? JEREMY, DO YOU KNOW?

2

3 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, WE DEFINITELY HEAR YOU. I THINK THE
4 PROTOCOL IS THAT WHEN DEPARTMENTS ARE SEEKING TO HIRE UNDER
5 THAT EMERGENCY DECLARATION, THEY HAVE AN INTERNAL REVIEW
6 PROCESS. AND DEPENDING ON THEIR OWN BUDGET ANALYSIS AND REVIEW
7 PROCESS, THEN IT COMES TO US FOR THE NECESSARY --

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I WAS JUST SAYING, YOU KNOW, MY FIRST
10 QUESTION WAS, ARE THERE STILL POSITIONS LEFT OUT THERE THAT WE
11 THINK WE SHOULD BE HIRING UNDER THIS EMERGENCY DECLARATION?
12 AND I'M WONDERING IF WE'RE LOOKING AT IT THROUGH A LENS OF
13 SORT OF WHAT WE HEARD IN THE OTHER PRESENTATION ABOUT A
14 POTENTIAL, YOU KNOW, LACK OF FEDERAL DOLLARS, SPECIFICALLY AS
15 IT RELATED TO HOUSING FIRST. I'M JUST WONDERING IF MAYBE
16 THAT'S WHERE WE LOOK TO SHORE UP OUR PEOPLE POWER.

17

18 **JERAMY GRAY:** YEAH.

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S WHAT I WAS ASKING.

21

22 **JERAMY GRAY:** SO, I WILL SAY YES, THERE ARE POSITIONS OUT THERE
23 THAT WE NEED TO HIRE ON AND I CAN SPEAK FOR MANY OF THE
24 AGENCIES THAT ARE WORKING ALONG WITH US ON THAT EFFORT. I
25 THINK IT IS UNNERVING TO SAY THE LEAST BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHAT THAT NEXT EXECUTIVE ORDER IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE AND WHAT
2 ACTION THOSE FEDERAL AGENCIES ARE GOING TO TAKE, BUT WE'RE
3 PRESSING FORWARD BECAUSE THE NEED FOR SERVICE DELIVERY IS
4 THERE AND WE'RE MOVING ON THAT.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT, I MEAN OUR PEOPLE POWER IS A LOT OF
7 WHAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. IT'S THE FOLKS
8 ON THE GROUND. I WANT TO TALK ABOUT PATHWAY HOME, AND I THINK
9 PATHWAY HOME HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. WE SHOWED SOME SLIDES
10 EARLIER ABOUT THE RVS. WE'VE, I BELIEVE OVER 60 ENCAMPMENTS
11 HAVE RESULTED IN ABOUT 1,700 INDIVIDUALS BEING HOUSED, OVER
12 1,000 RVS REMOVED. AND IT'S REALLY, I THINK IT IS SUCH A GREAT
13 STRATEGY. IT REALLY WORKS. SARAH, YOU KNOW, I'M SURE YOU HEARD
14 ME WHEN CHERI WAS THERE, I KIND OF WAS PRESSING HER FOR A
15 PATHWAY HOME OPERATION ONCE A WEEK. THEY WERE SO GOOD. THEY
16 WERE SO SUCCESSFUL. WHY NOT DOUBLE DOWN ON A STRATEGY THAT
17 WORKS? SO FAR, THAT HASN'T EXACTLY HAPPENED. AND NOW SOUNDS
18 LIKE WITH OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION, I'M NOT SURE IT CAN HAPPEN.
19 IT TAKES MONEY, IT TAKES PEOPLE. WHAT DO YOU THINK? ARE WE
20 DOWN? CAN WE EVER HAVE A PATHWAY HOME OPERATION A WEEK, A NEW
21 ONE?

22

23 **SARAH MAHIN:** I'LL BE HONEST. AND YOU ALL TOLD ME TO HAVE
24 HONEST CONVERSATIONS. I THINK GETTING A PATHWAY HOME OPERATION
25 ONCE A WEEK WILL BE REALLY CHALLENGING. WE ARE AT PATHWAY HOME



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1 OPERATIONS ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS, AND I THINK WE CAN CONTINUE
2 TO MAINTAIN THAT PACE. WE ALSO HAVE OTHER ENCAMPMENT
3 RESOLUTION TOOLS IN OUR TOOLBOX, SUCH AS HOST, AND WE PARTNER
4 WITH THE MAYOR'S OFFICE ON INSIDE SAFE. SO, I THINK ABSOLUTELY
5 WE CAN HAVE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION WORK HAPPENING EVERY WEEK,
6 BUT IT MAY NOT BE A PATHWAY HOME OPERATION.

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. THAT'S STILL, RIGHT. THAT'S TRUE. YOU
9 NEED A PLACE FOR THEM TO GO EXACTLY BUT I STILL FEEL LIKE IT'S
10 SUCH A GOOD STRATEGY AND IT REALLY WORKS AND IT SEEMS TO BE I
11 MEAN I FEEL LIKE WE CRACKED A BIG CODE WITH ENCAMPMENT
12 RESOLUTIONS RIGHT BECAUSE WE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY A PERFECTLY
13 GOOD HOMELESS PERSON WAS NOT TAKING OUR OFFERS OF AN
14 APARTMENT, SOMEWHERE AWAY FROM WHERE THEIR ENCAMPMENT WAS. AND
15 IT TOOK US A LONG TIME TO REALIZE THAT THIS WAS A COMMUNITY
16 JUST LIKE ANY OTHER COMMUNITY. IT WAS A NEIGHBORHOOD JUST LIKE
17 ANY OTHER NEIGHBORHOOD. AND THEY LITERALLY DIDN'T WANT TO BE
18 PLUCKED ONE AT A TIME FROM THEIR ENCAMPMENT, EVEN THOUGH WE
19 WERE OFFERING A PERFECTLY GOOD APARTMENT IN BEVERLY HILLS.
20 THEY WANTED TO STAY WITH THEIR COMMUNITY. AND SO, THE IDEA WAS
21 LET'S TAKE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AT ONCE AND GIVE THEM HOUSING
22 SOLUTIONS TOGETHER. SO, IT TOOK US A LONG TIME TO FIGURE THAT
23 OUT, AND NOW THAT WE FIGURED IT OUT, I JUST REALLY WANT US TO
24 DOUBLE DOWN ON IT AS MUCH AS WE CAN. I THINK ONE EVERY TWO
25 WEEKS IS GOOD. I THINK THAT'S COMMENDABLE, ACTUALLY. SO, KEEP



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1 THAT UP AND ASK US WHAT WE CAN DO TO SUPPORT THAT. THE LAST
2 THING I WANT TO TOUCH ON IS THE NEW DEPARTMENT. I KNOW THAT
3 SARAH, YOU AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM HAVE STARTED WORKING
4 WITH LAHSA ON TRANSITION OF SERVICES, STARTED EXECUTIVE
5 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. YOU EVEN TALK ABOUT WORKING BETTER WITH
6 OUR CITIES, WHICH WAS, I THINK, A GOAL OF MANY OF US. AND I
7 THINK THAT IS KEY. AND ALSO, OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES,
8 WHICH YOU MENTIONED. AND WHEN WE VOTED TO CREATE THIS
9 DEPARTMENT I INTRODUCED AN AMENDMENT WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
10 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAD AN OFFICE OF UNINCORPORATED SERVICES
11 IN THIS NEW DEPARTMENT TO ELEVATE THOSE COMMUNITIES WHICH WE
12 HAVE DIRECT JURISDICTION IN AND DIDN'T KNOW HOW YOU'RE SEEING
13 THAT GOING FORWARD, THAT OFFICE OF WITHIN YOUR DEPARTMENT AND
14 OFFICE OF UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES.

15
16 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. IT'S REALLY
17 IMPORTANT. WE'VE BEEN, I'LL BE AGAIN HONEST, WE'VE BEEN VERY
18 FOCUSED SO FAR ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE AND IDENTIFYING
19 WHAT ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE WE NEED TO HAVE IN PLACE SO THAT
20 THE DEPARTMENT CAN HAVE STAFF, CAN DO CONTRACTS, CAN PAY BILLS
21 JANUARY 1ST. NOW THAT WE'RE NEAR THE FINALIZATION OF THE
22 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE, WE'LL BE MOVING OVER TO MORE
23 PROGRAMMATIC AREAS, INCLUDING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OFFICE,
24 AND REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOUR OFFICES TO
25 UNDERSTAND AND TO REALIZE THE VISION FOR THAT OFFICE. WE ARE



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1 THE FIRST LINE OF GOVERNMENT FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED
2 COMMUNITIES. WE UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT MEANS AND WE WANT TO LIVE
3 INTO THAT.

4
5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU SAYING
6 THAT BECAUSE THAT WAS MY NEXT POINT WAS I REALLY WANT TO
7 EMPHASIZE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO WORK WITH THIS BOARD ON THE
8 CREATION OF THAT OFFICE OF UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. WE HAVE
9 DIRECT JURISDICTION OVER THOSE. SOME PEOPLE CALL US THE MAYOR
10 OF OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND OUR FIELD STAFF ARE THE CITY
11 MANAGERS. THIS IS A REALLY IMPORTANT OFFICE FOR ME. AND IT'S
12 IMPORTANT WHO ULTIMATELY LEADS THAT OFFICE. SO, I REALLY WANT
13 TO STRESS THE FACT THAT I DON'T WANT YOU TO FILL THAT POSITION
14 OF WHO LEADS THAT OFFICE UNTIL YOU HAVE HAD FEEDBACK FROM EACH
15 AND EVERY ONE OF US IN HOW WE ENVISION THAT OFFICE. SO, THANK
16 YOU, AND I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO DO THAT. SO, THANK YOU FOR
17 THAT, SARAH. WE KNOW THIS IS A BIG TASK. GITA, IT'S A BIG TASK
18 FOR YOU AS WELL, WORKING TOGETHER, JERAMY. BUT THERE'S NO MORE
19 IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR THIS BOARD, I THINK, THAN SOLVING THIS
20 CRISIS. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT. I THINK WE'RE LOSING LIVES ON
21 THE STREETS. WE STILL HAVE TOO MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS,
22 WHO ARE DYING. AND WE'VE JUST REALLY GOT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
23 CONTINUE TO DO THIS. I THINK THE BEST EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS
24 WOULD BE, SARAH, IF YOUR DEPARTMENT, THERE WAS NO MORE NEED
25 FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT IN A FEW YEARS. THAT'S WHAT I'M HOPING



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1 FOR.

2
3 **SARAH MAHIN:** YOU AND ME BOTH.

4
5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I ALSO WANT TO
6 WELCOME YOU, GITA. I KNOW WE'VE GOT A MEETING I THINK SET UP
7 IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE. BUT YOU KNOW, I WOULD SAY, I
8 MEAN, I REALLY LOOK AT IT FROM THE STANDPOINT OF GETTING BACK
9 TO BASICS FOR WHAT THE COC AND WHAT LAHSA WAS SET UP TO DO.
10 AND I TRULY DO BELIEVE THERE IS MORE THAN ENOUGH WORK BETWEEN
11 THE CITY OF L.A. AND THE COUNTY OF L.A.'S CONTINUUM OF CARE
12 THAT'S GOING TO KEEP YOU BUSY. AND I BELIEVE THAT THE SETTING
13 UP OF THIS AGENCY THAT WE'RE SETTING UP IS GOING TO COMPLEMENT
14 WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND PROVIDE YOU WITH RESOURCES AND SUPPORT.
15 SO, ALL THAT TO SAY THAT I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS PLENTY OF
16 WORK TO BE DONE BY EVERYBODY. AND THE ONE THING THAT I'M
17 COMMITTED TO IS TRANSPARENCY IN TERMS OF WHERE THE RESOURCE IS
18 GOING AND THAT WE, ACCOUNTABILITY AS IT RELATES TO THE
19 PROVIDERS TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT WE ARE PAYING FOR IS WHAT WE
20 ARE GETTING. BOTH I FEEL WERE LACKING IN SOME CASES AND WE SAW
21 THAT WITH SOME OF THE AUDITS THAT CAME OUT, BUT THERE IS AN
22 OPPORTUNITY AND I THINK YOU ARE THE RIGHT PERSON AT THE RIGHT
23 TIME. SO WELCOME. AND SARAH, YOU KNOW, I MEAN, I APPRECIATE
24 HOW THOROUGH YOU'VE BEEN TODAY WITH YOUR POWERPOINTS IN TERMS
25 OF TALKING ABOUT WHERE YOU'RE GOING, WHAT YOU'RE DOING, THE



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1 NUMBER OF HIRES, EVEN BREAKING IT DOWN INTO WHO ARE THESE
2 PEOPLE, WHO ARE WE HIRING? ARE WE HIRING TO ADDRESS EQUITY
3 ACROSS THE BOARD? I APPRECIATE THAT. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I DO
4 HAVE THOUGH FOR YOU IS ON THE EMERGENCY CENTRALIZED RESPONSE
5 CENTER, YOUR SLIDE SIX. WELL, I APPRECIATE NEARLY 1000
6 REQUESTS RECEIVED, 55% CLOSURE RATE WITH FASTER TIME TO
7 ASSIGN. I'M 55%. I DON'T KNOW THAT I WOULD CELEBRATE THAT. CAN
8 YOU EXPLAIN WHY IS IT SO LOW? IS IT BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE
9 HOUSING SLOTS OR BECAUSE I'M GOING TO LOOK AT THESE VERY
10 CAREFULLY BECAUSE YOU KNOW I KNOW WITH PERMITTING THAT WE'RE
11 DOING NOW IF SOMEONE'S GETTING A PERMIT IN 30 DAYS BUT THEY
12 CAN'T GET AN INSPECTION FOR SIX MONTHS IT DOESN'T MATTER AND I
13 WOULD ARGUE THAT IF WE'VE GOT SOMETHING SET UP AND WE'RE ONLY
14 55% CLOSED, I HAVE TO WONDER WHAT DO WE NEED TO LOOK AT OR
15 WHAT DO WE NEED TO RECALIBRATE?

16
17 **SARAH MAHIN:** YEAH, I THINK THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION. SO,
18 THERE'S A COUPLE OF THINGS. ONE, IS IT DOES HAVE TO DO WITH
19 INTERIM HOUSING AVAILABILITY AND HAVING INTERIM HOUSING BEDS
20 THAT MEET THE PERSON'S NEEDS AND PREFERENCES THAT ARE
21 AVAILABLE AT THE TIME THAT THEY'RE WILLING TO ACCEPT IT. SO WE
22 DO HAVE CHALLENGES WITH THAT. I ALSO WILL NOTE THAT WE HAVE A
23 NUMBER OF ENCAMPMENTS THAT WERE REPORTED TO US THAT ARE QUITE
24 LARGE AND WHERE WE'RE JUST GOING TO CONTINUE TO GO BACK. FOR
25 EXAMPLE, MAC PARK. WE DON'T CLOSE MAC PARK TICKET. MAC PARK



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SUPERVISORS

1 TICKET STAYS OPEN AND WE CONTINUE TO SEND OUTREACH TEAMS. SO,
2 I THINK WE PROBABLY HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF WORK THAT WE CAN DO
3 ALSO ON HOW WE CAPTURE TICKETS THAT ARE RELATED TO THOSE KINDS
4 OF AREAS WITH THAT ARE YOU KNOW THEY'VE TAKEN MANY DECADES TO
5 GET THERE AND IT'S GOING TO TAKE US SOME TIME TO RESOLVE.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT BECAUSE I THINK
8 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK AT THAT. AND SO NOW WE KNOW
9 INTERIM BEDS ARE AT THE TOP OF THE LIST IN TERMS OF NEED IN
10 ORDER TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN SOME OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE
11 ROLLING OUT, THAT WE ARE MAKING PROMISES TO THE COMMUNITIES
12 THAT WE WILL WORK WITH. AND TO ONNIE, I WANT TO PUBLICLY AGAIN
13 THANK HIM. I KNOW IN MY DISTRICT, CREDIBILITY WISE, WITH OUR
14 CITIES, HE HAS TRULY LISTENED. AND AS A RESULT, WHEN WE TALK
15 ABOUT PURCHASING MOTELS AND ALL, I HAVE CITIES THAT OTHERWISE
16 PROBABLY NEVER WOULD HAVE CONSIDERED DOING IT, BUT THEY DO IT
17 BECAUSE WE BUILT A TRUST WITH THEM. I HOPE WE KEEP THAT
18 MOMENTUM GOING. I HAVE A CITY THAT ACTUALLY PURCHASED LAND TO
19 PUT TOGETHER A HOMELESS PROGRAM, AND THIS IS A CITY THAT
20 PROBABLY SIX YEARS AGO WOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT. AND THAT IS A
21 CREDIT TO THE TEAM THAT YOU HAVE IN PLACE RIGHT NOW. AND SO, I
22 HOPE WE CAN BUILD ON THAT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, AND I KNOW
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS KNOWS THIS BECAUSE IT WAS IN THE EAST SAN
24 GABRIEL VALLEY, THEY FELT THAT THEY WEREN'T HEARD. AND WHILE
25 THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET A BLANK CHECK, IT IS IMPORTANT TO



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1 WORK WITH THEM BECAUSE IN ORDER FOR US TO SUCCEED, I KNOW A
2 LOT OF THE ENCAMPMENT ENFORCEMENT THAT'S BEEN DOING, OR
3 CLEANUP THAT'S BEEN DONE UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WAS DONE
4 WITH PALMDALE, WITH LANCASTER. SO, WHILE IT IMPACTS THE
5 UNINCORPORATED, THE CITIES ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THAT. SO, I
6 JUST WANT TO PUBLICLY REALLY PUSH TO MAKE SURE WE KEEP THAT
7 GOING, BECAUSE TRUST IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY WHEN
8 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE FACT THAT FUNDING IS GOING TO START TO
9 GO DOWN, AND THEN THERE'S GOING TO START TO BE THIS QUESTION
10 OF, ARE YOU HIDING MONEY? WHY AREN'T WE GETTING MORE? SO, WE
11 NEED TO BE TRANSPARENT, BUT WE ALSO NEED TO COMMUNICATE
12 CLEARLY WITH OUR CITIES ABOUT THE FISCAL REALITIES THAT ARE
13 TAKING PLACE, BECAUSE I THINK, AS WAS SAID BY MY COLLEAGUES,
14 EVERYONE THINKS THEY PASSED, THEY DID. SALES TAX FOR
15 HOMELESSNESS. AND SO, THEIR ATTITUDE IS WE FIXED THE PROBLEM.
16 WE'VE GIVEN YOU THE MONEY NOW GO FIX THE PROBLEM. AND THEY
17 DON'T RECOGNIZE OR REALIZE THE EXPENSE AND THE ONGOING EXPENSE
18 IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE HOUSING FOR THOSE THAT WE'VE GOTTEN
19 IN OFF THE STREET, BUT FOR THOSE THAT ARE FALLING INTO
20 HOMELESSNESS, WHAT IT COSTS TO GET THEM OFF THE STREET AS
21 WELL. SO, I WOULD JUST CAUTION US ON THAT. AND THEN LAST BUT
22 NOT LEAST, I WANT TO GIVE A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO THE LASD HOST
23 TEAMS ALONG WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE LAHSA'S HOMELESS
24 ENGAGEMENT TEAM WHO COLLABORATED TO DELIVER OUTREACH TO PEOPLE
25 LIVING ON OUR STREETS. I ALWAYS HAD SAID THIS AND I'LL JUST



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1 SAY IT AGAIN, THE HOST TEAM WHICH CONSISTS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
2 HAVE HAD ZERO ARREST, ZERO. THEY'RE NOT IN IT TO ARREST.
3 THEY'RE IN IT TO HELP DO OUTREACH, TO HELP GET PEOPLE OFF THE
4 STREET. AND I'VE TALKED TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME IN CONTACT
5 WITH OUR HOST TEAM WHO ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL TO THEM FOR NOT
6 GIVING UP ON THEM AND NOT ARRESTING THEM, BUT IN FACT, BEING
7 PATIENT, COMING BACK TO VISIT, COMMUNICATING, LETTING THEM
8 KNOW THE RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE. THAT IS WHY I AM
9 FUNDING THROUGH OUR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT
10 ARE HOSTING BECAUSE I RECOGNIZE THE VALUE ADDED AND I KNOW
11 THAT IF YOU TALK TO THE LAHSA OUTREACH TEAM, THEY WOULD TELL
12 YOU THE SAME THING. THE VALUE ADDED IS PHENOMENAL. SO, I WILL
13 CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR THE EXPANSION THAT I KNOW THAT THERE
14 ARE MANY THAT WANT MORE. AND I THINK WE HAVE TO BE REALISTIC
15 IN HOW WE DO IT. BUT IT TAKES A SPECIAL PERSON TO GO OUT
16 THERE. AND THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE PART OF THIS HOST TEAM
17 CHOOSE TO BE A PART OF THIS. AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT, IN ONE WAY
18 OR ANOTHER, THEY HAVE SOMEONE IN THEIR LIVES OR SOMEONE THAT
19 THEY'VE KNOWN WHO HAS BEEN ON THE STREETS. AND SO, THERE IS A
20 REAL PERSONAL CONNECTION TO WANTING TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT. SO,
21 WITH THAT, I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT. I MEAN, WE COULD ASK A LOT
22 MORE QUESTIONS. GITA, WE'LL TALK ONE-ON-ONE. AND I LOOK
23 FORWARD TO GETTING TO KNOW YOU. AND I KNOW THAT JUSTIN'S MY
24 APPOINTEE AND WE'LL WORK CLOSELY WITH YOU AS WELL. SO, WITH
25 THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF



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1 THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO --

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
4 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PATRICIA MCALLISTER, DR.
5 ESRORULEH MOHAMMED, CHICHI NAVARRO, BYRON JOSE, LORETTA
6 LORAIN. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE
7 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS SET MATTER 2, IF YOU
8 HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR
9 DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. ROY HUMPHREYS,
10 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

11

12 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, GO AHEAD.

15

16 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OKAY, THANK YOU. IT'S A NEW SETUP HERE, SO I'M
17 NOT FAMILIAR WITH IT. OKAY, AS TO HOMELESSNESS, WILL THE
18 HACIENDA HEIGHTS 7TH AVENUE MOTEL 6 REHAB BE FINISHED IN MY
19 LIFETIME? WHERE ARE THE COUNTYWIDE TRANSIENT CAMPSITES, WHICH
20 I'VE TOLD YOU ABOUT MORE THAN ONE TIME NEEDS TO BE DONE
21 IMMEDIATELY, IF NOT SOONER, UNTIL YOU MAN UP AND STOP THE
22 JUVENILE NAME GAMES AND CALL A SPADE A SPADE, WE'LL ALL BE
23 YOUR VICTIMS. THIS DEMOCRAT BOARD REFUSES TO DEAL WITH THE
24 UNHOMELESS TRANSIENTS, WHICH LEADS TO ENCAMPMENTS AS NOTED IN
25 THE CITY OF INDUSTRY AT THE AUTO CENTER WHERE THEY HAD THE



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1 FIRES AND ALL OF THAT SORT OF STUFF. AND TRANSIENT BLIGHT,
2 ROWLAND HEIGHTS WITH A BUS STOP TAKEOVER, STORM DRAINS OF
3 FULLERTON ROAD, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY THERE AND ADJACENT TO THE
4 FREEWAYS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT. AND OUR NOGALES MEDIAN OFFICE,
5 YOU GUYS SET UP AN OFFICE ON THE MEDIAN.

6
7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

8
9 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** NOGALES.

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
12 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR SET
13 MATTER 2 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
14 FOR THOSE WHO ARE ADDRESSING THE BOARD IN PERSON, PLEASE NOTE
15 THAT A CHIME WILL AUTOMATICALLY SOUND WHEN YOUR TIME HAS
16 EXPIRED. FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** YES, MY NAME IS PATRICIA MCALLISTER AND I
19 WANT TO MENTION LAHSA. I'VE BEEN COMING TO THESE MEETINGS FOR
20 YEARS. ABOUT FIVE YEARS BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, I WAS AT, I PUT A
21 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST IN TO LAHSA. AND I WANTED TO
22 KNOW WHO THEY WERE HELPING BY RACE. AND THEY HAD FIVE PEOPLE
23 ON THERE, HISPANIC. SO DON'T BLAME THIS LADY WHO'S BEEN THERE
24 TWO YEARS FOR EMBEZZLING MONEY AND ALL OF THAT. THIS HAS BEEN
25 GOING ON FOR YEARS WITH LAHSA. AND I REALLY DON'T APPRECIATE



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1 YOU TRYING TO PUT ALL THAT WEIGHT ON A BLACK WOMAN. NOW, THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU ARE THE COMMISSIONERS OVER LACDA.
3 YOU NEED TO DO AN AUDIT. THEY ARE STEALING. THEY ARE PEOPLE
4 WHO HAVE THEIR INCOME DECREASED. THEY'RE NOT DECREASING THEIR
5 RENT. LYNN ANDERSON, SHE WORKS FOR LAHSA. SHE'S GIVING OUT
6 PEOPLE'S FILES WITH SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS AND EVERYTHING,
7 BANK INFORMATION. SHE'S HANDING THEM OUT TO JANITORS AND ALL
8 THAT. YOU NEED TO INVESTIGATE LACDA AND FIND OUT WHAT THEY'RE
9 DOING WITH THIS MONEY BECAUSE SOME EMBEZZLEMENT IS GOING ON.
10 THANK YOU.

11

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

13

14 **LORETTA LORAINE:** LORD HAVE MERCY. I GOT TO GO BEHIND THAT. I'M
15 MS. LORETTA LORAINE. I DO NOT GOT TO SAY NOTHING BAD ABOUT
16 LAHSA BECAUSE I EXPERIENCED LAWSA AND I HAVE SEEN THE SUCCESS
17 THAT LAHSA CAN DO. YOU DON'T HAVE, AND REALLY LIFE, YOU DON'T
18 HAVE GOOD APPLES ANYWHERE. LADIES, Y'ALL MAKE YOUR DECISION
19 BECAUSE WE HAVE A HOMELESS CRISIS AND THE TRANSGENDER
20 COMMUNITY ESPECIALLY. Y'ALL DO NOT DISCRIMINATE BECAUSE I
21 KNOW. I'M EXPERIENCED Y'ALL AND I HAVE NOTHING BAD TO SAY
22 ABOUT LAHSA, SUCCESS IN EVERYTHING. I'M WITH TRANSLATINA AND
23 ALSO LADIES, Y'ALL MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES AND ALWAYS MAKE SURE
24 THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR, TRANSGENDERS AND HISPANICS DO GET A HOME
25 BECAUSE, AND THE PEOPLE THEY GOT AFFECTED WITH FIRES. Y'ALL



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1 MAKE THAT DECISION, MAKE IT RIGHT. AND LAHSA, I KNOW Y'ALL
2 DON'T HAVE. YOU CANNOT BE ACCOUNTABLE WHAT OTHER PEOPLE ARE
3 DOING. I HOPE YOU'LL MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES AND MAKE THE RIGHT
4 DECISIONS. LADY, I WANT ALL OF Y'ALL. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

5

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

7

8 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CHAIR. BYRON
9 JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK
10 YOU FOR WORKING WITH HI AND ALL THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO
11 ENSURE THAT THERE'S COORDINATION AND THAT WE ARE NOT
12 CONTINUING TO SEE CERTAIN VULNERABLE POPULATIONS FALL TO THE
13 CRACK. IN ADDITION TO YOUR LEADERSHIP WITHIN THIS BODY, WE
14 REALLY APPRECIATE ALL OF YOUR WORK AS PART OF THE LACAHS
15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS. WE HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH
16 MOST OF YOU, YOUR OFFICES AND THE ALTERNATES. SO, WE LOOK
17 FORWARD TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE REST OF YOU TO ENSURE
18 THAT WE CONTINUE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS WITH A KEY FOCUS ON
19 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, SPECIFICALLY SYSTEM-IMPACTED
20 INDIVIDUALS, BLACK COMMUNITIES, AND TRANSGENDER, EXPANSIVE AND
21 INTERSEX FOLKS. THANK YOU.

22

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

24

25 **CHICHI NAVARRO:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. ONCE AGAIN, MY



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1 NAME IS CHICHI NAVARRO. I'M A POLICY INTERN WITH THE
2 TRANSATINA COALITION AND A RESIDENT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS
3 DISTRICT 1. I WANT TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE URGENT HOUSING
4 CRISIS DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTING TRANSGENDER GENDER
5 NONCONFORMING INTERSEX AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY. STUDIES SHOW THAT NEARLY 30% OF TGI PLUS
7 PEOPLE HAVE EXPERIENCED HOMELESSNESS AT SOME POINT COMPARED TO
8 1% OF THE GENERAL POPULATION. DISCRIMINATION AND LACK OF
9 AFFIRMING SAFE HOUSING OPTIONS DRIVE THIS DISPARITY. THE TRANS
10 LATINA COALITION'S PROGRAMS LIKE HOPE HOUSE PROVIDE VITAL
11 CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SHELTER AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO TGI+
12 AND IMMIGRANT INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE TOO OFTEN EXCLUDED FROM
13 TYPICAL HOUSING RESOURCES. I WANT TO THANK THE ECRC FOR
14 PARTNERING WITH TLC AND OTHER TGI-LED GROUPS TO BRING
15 EQUITABLE SOLUTIONS TO THE GROUND. IT IS CRITICAL THAT ECRC
16 CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH ORGANIZATIONS LIKE OURS AS THIS
17 RESPONSE EVOLVES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO PROTECTING
18 MOST AFFORDABLE AND ADVANCING HOUSING JUSTICE FOR ALL
19 ANGELENOS, THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **DR. ESRORULEH MOHAMMED:** THIS IS DR. MOHAMMED FOR THE RECORD, I
24 WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT AN EVIDENCE-BASED EXHIBIT TO THE BOARD
25 REGARDING THE CONVERGENCE OF THE AGENDA ITEM WITH THE BUREAU



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1 OF CARE TO CUSTODY CEMETERY PIPELINE AND THE BDC-3A PIPELINE
2 PREVENTION FRAMEWORK, WHICH IS ALREADY IN THE PUBLIC RECORD.
3 THE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MISSIONS LINE UP VERY
4 CLOSELY WITH THE BUREAU OF CARE TO CUSTODY CEMETERY PIPELINE.
5 MY REQUEST IS RECOGNITION ONLY. ADOPT THE NEUTRAL
6 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT LINE AND DOCKET THIS COMMENT. AND FOR PROCESS
7 ONLY, PUBLISH THE MISSION SCORECARD WITH CORRECTED LINKS AND
8 ATTACHMENTS. THESE MISSIONS ARE NOT JUST ABOUT OUTPUTS. THEY
9 ARE ABOUT DIGNITY. TRANSPARENT REPORTING IS THE SEED OF A
10 LEGACY WHERE EVERY RESIDENT CAN SEE PROGRESS, NOT JUST
11 PROMISES.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. THIS REPORT
15 WILL BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, I'M GOING TO TAKE A TWO
18 MINUTE RECESS BECAUSE WE'VE LOST QUORUM RIGHT NOW. SO, WE'RE
19 GOING TO TAKE A TWO MINUTE RECESS. AND THEN WHEN WE COME BACK,
20 WHAT I'M GOING TO PROPOSE, I JUST FOUND OUT THAT THERE ARE SIX
21 PEOPLE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THE IHSS PROGRAM AND THERE'S
22 OVER 60 THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR ITEM 16. AND IN ORDER TO GET
23 THE WORKERS THAT ARE IN THE ROOM UP AND OUT, WE'RE GOING TO
24 CALL UP ITEM 65A, RECOGNIZING THAT I THINK THERE WERE SIX,
25 THERE MAY BE LESS NOW, SOME OF THEM MAY HAVE HAD BELIEF FOR



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1 THE IHSS ITEM, THEN WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM NUMBER 16. ALL RIGHT, I
2 HAVE A QUORUM AGAIN. ALL RIGHT. DO WE KNOW WHERE SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL IS? ALL RIGHT, WHY DON'T WE GO AHEAD THEN AND GO ON
4 TO THE IHSS ITEM, ITEM 65A. OKAY. THEN WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO
5 THEN IS RECOGNIZING THAT, THEN WE WILL TAKE UP ITEMS NOT HELD
6 BY THE BOARD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. GO AHEAD AND EXPLAIN THAT.

7

8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE WE MOVE
9 FORWARD WITH PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE
10 SUPERVISORS, THERE IS A REQUEST BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO
11 CONTINUE ITEM 20 TO SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2025.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ITEM 20? ALL RIGHT. SEEING NO
14 OBJECTION, DO YOU WANT TO, DO YOU HAVE TO TAKE ROLL ON THAT?

15

16 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IF THERE'S NO OBJECTIONS, THEN
17 WE CAN MOVE FORWARD.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD
20 THEN, AND BEFORE YOU, WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK BECAUSE
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS HERE. WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO ITEM
22 65A, RAISING THE WAGES OF IHSS HOME CARE WORKERS. SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL, I BROUGHT THIS FORWARD BECAUSE THERE'S SIX SPEAKERS
24 AND RECOGNIZING THE NEXT ITEM, NUMBER 16, HAS GOT PROBABLY
25 OVER AN HOUR WORTH OF TESTIMONY. I FELT THAT IT WOULD BE FAIR



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1 TO THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN WAITING ALL DAY IN THE AUDIENCE
2 AS WELL. THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

3
4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. AND I'M SORRY I DIDN'T TELL
5 YOU MADAM CHAIR I HAD TO GO TO THE LADIES ROOM AND I DIDN'T
6 WANT TO LEAVE IN THE MIDDLE OF PUBLIC COMMENT IT'S HARD TO
7 MAKE IT ALL WORK SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO BEGIN BY
8 SAYING THIS MOTION THAT'S BEFORE YOU MEMORIALIZES WEEKS OF
9 NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE CEO AND SEIU 2015 LEADERSHIP. I WANT
10 TO THANK BOTH THE CEO AND HER TEAM FOR THEIR EFFORTS AS WELL
11 AS THE LEADERSHIP TEAM OF 2015. I AUTHORED A MOTION BACK IN
12 DECEMBER OF 2022 THAT ENABLED AN IHSS WORKER WAGE INCREASE.
13 AND SO AGAIN, I'M BACK WITH THIS MOTION TO AGAIN DOCUMENT THE
14 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION AND OUR LEADERSHIP. IT'S MY
15 UNDERSTANDING COLLEAGUES THAT WE HAVE A TIMEFRAME BY WHICH THE
16 AGREEMENT NEEDS TO BE ADOPTED FOR THE WAGE INCREASE TO GO INTO
17 EFFECT BY JANUARY 1. IT HAS TO BE APPROVED AT THE STATE LEVEL
18 BY THE SECOND WEEK IN SEPTEMBER, AND SO THAT'S WHY WE FILED
19 THE MOTION ON THE GREEN SHEET TO GET IT IN FRONT OF THE BOARD
20 AND THE PUBLIC AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. WITH THAT LET ME SAY
21 COLLEAGUES THAT LABOR DAY SERVES AS A POWERFUL REMINDER OF THE
22 LABOR MOVEMENT'S ROLE IN SECURING WORKERS RIGHTS, FAIR WAGES,
23 SAFE WORKING CONDITIONS, AND THE FREEDOM TO ORGANIZE. AND WE
24 ALL KNOW THAT IHSS CARE WORKERS ARE AMONG OUR MOST IMPORTANT
25 WORKFORCE. THEY PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN SUPPORTING OUR BROADER



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1 HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND PROVIDING LIFE-SUSTAINING CARE. L.A.
2 COUNTY IS HOME TO OVER 237,000 IN-HOME SUPPORT CARE SERVICES
3 WORKERS WHO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL CARE TO APPROXIMATELY 282,000
4 SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, ENABLING THEM TO
5 LIVE SAFELY AND WITH DIGNITY IN THEIR OWN HOMES AND
6 COMMUNITIES WHILE HELPING TO PREVENT THE NEED FOR COSTLY
7 INSTITUTIONAL CARE. MORE THAN 20,000 IHSS RECIPIENTS IN OUR
8 COUNTY ARE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 17 WITH DISABILITIES WHO
9 RELY ON THESE VITAL SERVICES TO REMAIN IN THEIR HOME AND WITH
10 THEIR FAMILIES. MANY HOME CARE WORKERS PROVIDE AROUND THE
11 CLOCK CARE FOR THEIR CLIENTS AND WORK MORE HOURS THAN THEY'RE
12 PAID FOR. AGAIN, COLLEAGUES, FOR WEEKS WE HAVE HEARD TESTIMONY
13 AND RECEIVED PHONE CALLS AND LETTERS FROM VULNERABLE IHSS
14 RECIPIENTS, THEIR FAMILIES AND WORKERS ABOUT THE HEAVY STRAIN
15 CAUSED BY LOW IHSS WAGES. IHSS WORKERS DESERVE FAIR WAGES FOR
16 THE CRITICAL CARE THEY PROVIDE. AN APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION
17 WILL AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO CONTRIBUTE AN ADDITIONAL 74 CENTS
18 PER HOUR RAISING THE HOURLY WAGE FOR IHSS WORKERS TO \$19.64.
19 I, LIKE MANY OF YOU, CERTAINLY WISH WE COULD DO MORE AS THIS
20 IS STILL LESS THAN FRANKLY WHAT A TYPICAL FAST-FOOD WORKER IN
21 CALIFORNIA EARNS. HOWEVER, THIS IS WHAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
22 COME UP WITH AFTER MANY WEEKS OF NEGOTIATION, LOTS OF EFFORT
23 ON BEHALF OF MANY. I BELIEVE IT'S WHAT WE CAN BRING FORWARD.
24 IT IS A GOOD MOVE FOR THIS COUNTY, FOR THIS ORGANIZATION
25 TODAY, AND I'M HOPING FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON TODAY'S MOTION.



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1 THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. AS WE GATHER
6 HERE JUST A DAY AFTER LABOR DAY, IT'S ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL TO
7 BE STANDING WITH THE WORKERS WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ESSENTIAL
8 TO OUR COMMUNITIES. IN FACT, I RECALL WHEN MY PARENTS WERE
9 STILL ALIVE, WE HAD TO CALL ON IN-HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICE
10 PROVIDERS. MY FATHER WAS 88 YEARS OLD AND MY MOTHER WAS 94,
11 AND IT WAS AROUND THE CLOCK SERVICE THAT HAD TO BE PROVIDED
12 BECAUSE IT WAS DEBILITATING THE KINDS OF CIRCUMSTANCES THAT
13 THEY FACED. SO, WE OWE A DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO ALL OF YOU FOR
14 PROVIDING YOUR LIFE, AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO OUR FAMILIES, EVEN
15 FAMILY MEMBERS THAT ARE HERE ON THE DAIS. SO, WE THANK YOU.
16 [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT THE VOTE TODAY
17 ISN'T JUST ABOUT A WAGE INCREASE. THIS BOARD HAS BEEN WORKING
18 VERY HARD FOR THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS, AND WE'VE HEARD YOU
19 TIME AND TIME AGAIN ASKING FOR AN INCREASE. BUT WHAT CHANGED,
20 I THINK, THIS LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS IS THAT THERE WAS A
21 DISCUSSION THAT WE HAD WITH OUR CEO AND OUR TEAM. AND WE SAID,
22 LET'S MAKE THIS HAPPEN. FORTUNATELY FOR US, IT LOOKS LIKE
23 THERE WAS A CIRCUMSTANCE WHERE WE COULD CALL ON ADDITIONAL
24 FUNDS THAT WERE MADE AVAILABLE. AND THAT WAS OUR DIRECTIVE AND
25 THAT WAS TAKEN. AND THAT WAS TAKEN IN A MATTER OF 3 WEEKS. SO,



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1 I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT A LOT OF THINGS GOT FAST FORWARDED
2 BECAUSE THIS BOARD HEEDED WHAT YOU HAD TO SAY. AND I WANT TO
3 GIVE CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE TO THE BOARD, THE BOARD
4 MEMBERS. AS MUCH OF THESE DISCUSSIONS WERE HELD AND MANY OF US
5 WERE THERE TO STAND UP TO PUSH THE ENVELOPE. AND THAT'S WHAT
6 IT'S GOING TO TAKE, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE 240,000 IN-HOME
7 SUPPORTIVE SERVICE CAREGIVERS THAT ARE WORKING NIGHT AND DAY,
8 MANY WHO ARE CARING FOR THEIR OWN FAMILY MEMBERS, WE'VE SEEN
9 THEM. WE SEE YOU, WE HEAR YOU. AND WE KNOW THAT WHILE THIS MAY
10 NOT AMOUNT TOO MUCH FOR SOME PEOPLE, .74 IS SOMETHING THAT'S
11 GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR YOU. THE .10 AND THE OTHER .15,
12 I BELIEVE THAT'S GOING TO GO INTO HEALTH BENEFITS. I ALSO WANT
13 TO THANK OUR TEAM, OUR BARGAINING TEAM, BECAUSE IF THEY WERE
14 NOT LISTENING WE WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY AND I CAN TELL YOU
15 THAT IN ALL HONESTY AND I FEEL VERY COMFORTABLE IN SAYING
16 THAT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT TODAY WE ARE PROUD OF SUPPORTING
17 YOU, ALWAYS, AND NOT JUST TODAY, BUT ALL THE TIME. AND TODAY,
18 THE L.A. TIMES SAID SOMETHING ABOUT SCIU 2015 PRESIDENT
19 ARNULFO DE LA CRUZ, WHO WAS QUOTED ASKING THE QUESTION, WE
20 SHOULD ALL BE ASKING, WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO THE MILLIONS
21 OF AMERICANS WHO CAN NO LONGER FIND A HOME CARE PROVIDER? WE
22 HAVE TO FIGHT BECAUSE THE FIGHT IS BARELY ON RIGHT NOW AND WE
23 SEE THAT ASSAULT HAPPENING. SO, THANK YOU [SPEAKING IN
24 SPANISH]. THANK YOU.

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SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: COME ON YOU GUYS. STOP. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE. I CALLED THIS ITEM UP FIRST SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO SIT. IF YOU WOULD MIND JUST GOING LIKE THIS TO SUPPORT WHAT'S BEING SAID, I'D APPRECIATE IT. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH: THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK OUR ARNULFO DE LA CRUZ, CARMEN ROBERTS, AND ALL OF THE 2015 LEADERS WHO HAVE WORKED WITH MY OFFICE AND WHO HAVE COME TO THESE CHAMBERS TIME AND AGAIN TO MAKE VERY CLEAR THEIR MISSION. AND I THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE SHARED FOR SPENDING THIS TIME WITH US. I'M SORRY THAT YOU'VE HAD TO, BUT I DO HAVE TO SAY THE CHAMBERS ARE MUCH MORE BEAUTIFUL WHEN YOU ARE FILLING THEM. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IHSS PROVIDERS REPRESENT A LARGE, LOW-WAGE WORKFORCE WHO FACE SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES. OVER 87% OF IHSS WORKERS IN THE COUNTY WORK MULTIPLE JOBS TO SURVIVE. 69% STRUGGLE WITH HOUSING PAYMENTS, SPENDING A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THEIR INCOME ON RENT OR MORTGAGES. A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF IHSS WORKERS RELY ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS LIKE CALFRESH AND STRUGGLE TO AFFORD HEALTH CARE AND MEDICATION. THESE SAME WORKERS EARN SIGNIFICANTLY LESS THAN WHAT IS CONSIDERED A LIVING WAGE IN L.A. COUNTY, MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO COVER ESSENTIAL COSTS. ADDITIONALLY, THERE'S A GROWING SHORTAGE OF PROVIDERS CREATING A CARE CRISIS AS RECIPIENTS ARE LEFT WITHOUT THE NECESSARY SUPPORT FOR THEIR DAILY NEEDS. ENTER



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1 SEIU 2015 WHO HAVE ENDURED MONTHS OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE
2 PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES COUNCIL NAVIGATING AN
3 UNNECESSARILY ARCANE PROCESS TO ENSURE YOUR MEMBERS RECEIVE A
4 FAIR WAGE. I COMMEND YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR NEGOTIATING TEAM
5 FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP AND YOUR DILIGENCE IN SECURING THIS
6 CONTRACT. IN JANUARY, I MET WITH SEIU 2015 TO BETTER
7 UNDERSTAND CONCERNS AS WELL AS HOW YOU SEE THE BARGAINING
8 PROCESS. MY STAFF HAS MET WITH THEM AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH
9 SINCE THAT TIME, AND I AM REGULARLY TALKING WITH MEMBERS ABOUT
10 YOUR EXPERIENCE AND I WANT TO KEEP THOSE LINES OF
11 COMMUNICATION OPEN AND TO HELP MOVE ALONG THIS PROCESS THAT
12 HAS TAKEN FAR TOO LONG. I'M HEARTENED THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAVE
13 NOW REACHED THIS POINT AND THAT AN MOU IS BEFORE US. IT IS
14 TIME FOR OUR BOARD AND THE COUNTY TO GIVE YOU, OUR ESSENTIAL
15 WORKERS, YOUR DUE. I THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO, THE
16 SERVICE YOU PROVIDE, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE EXAMPLE THAT
17 YOU SET IN BEING A CARE FIRST COUNTY. I APPRECIATE YOU. THANK
18 YOU.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WHAT A HUGE MOMENT
23 THIS IS FOR OUR IHSS WORKERS. THANK YOU TO ARNULFO, TO CARMEN,
24 TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE WORKED THROUGH THIS HAVE MANY TIMES
25 FELT UNHEARD, MANY TIMES FELT DISRESPECTED, AND MANY TIMES



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1 FELT LIKE NOBODY REALLY UNDERSTOOD THE WORK THAT YOU DO EVERY
2 SINGLE DAY FOR SO MANY OF OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, OUR LOVED ONES.
3 ULTIMATELY, WE ALWAYS BELIEVE THE WORK YOU DO ACTUALLY DOES
4 SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY BECAUSE YOU'RE HELPING TO KEEP PEOPLE IN
5 THEIR HOME TO AGE WITH GRACE AND DIGNITY INSTEAD OF BEING PUT
6 IN AN INSTITUTION. SO WE KNOW YOU DO THAT DIFFICULT ROUND-THE-
7 CLOCK WORK CARING FOR SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS
8 AND WE KNOW THAT YOU WORKERS HAVE BEEN UNDERPAID FOR TOO LONG
9 AND ARE SO DESERVING OF THIS RAISE AND I'M SO GRATEFUL THAT
10 WE'RE HERE. WHEN I GOT THE NEWS ON FRIDAY THAT THERE FINALLY
11 WAS A DEAL THAT HAD BEEN REACHED BEFORE LABOR DAY, I WAS SO
12 GRATEFUL AND I SAID, HALLELUJAH, HALLELUJAH. TO YOU, SEIU
13 WORKERS WHO CAME TO EVERY SINGLE BOARD MEETING, SHARED YOUR
14 STORIES, KEPT THE PRESSURE ON ALL OF US TO KEEP WORKING
15 TOWARDS THIS AGREEMENT. THANK YOU. I READ THROUGH YOUR
16 HUNDREDS OF PERSONAL LETTERS ABOUT YOUR WORK, THE SACRIFICES
17 YOU'VE MADE, AND YOU NEVER GAVE UP THIS FIGHT. AND BECAUSE OF
18 YOUR GRIT AND YOUR DEDICATION, I THINK THAT'S THE REASON WE
19 HAVE THIS AGREEMENT BEFORE US TODAY. AND I WILL TELL YOU A LOT
20 OF THE WORK THAT I KNOW MY OFFICE DID AND SEVERAL OF OUR
21 OFFICES DID, MAYBE WAS BEHIND THE SCENES. BUT EVERY TIME WE
22 WOULD GET TO A POINT THAT IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE WE WERE GOING TO
23 MAKE IT, MANY OF US TOLD OUR CEO, TRY HARDER, GO BACK TO THE
24 TABLE, KEEP WORKING, TRY HARDER. THEY DESERVE A RAISE, LET'S
25 FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET THERE. AND SO, WHAT WE'RE DOING TODAY IS



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1 WE ARE HONORING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SEIU
2 2015 AND PASC, AFFIRMING THE COUNTY'S RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS
3 OF ORGANIZED LABOR TO ADVOCATE FOR ITS MEMBERS AND IMPROVE
4 WORKING CONDITIONS THROUGH COLLECTIVE ACTION. YOU DESERVE
5 THIS. OUR IHSS WORKERS PERFORM PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY
6 DEMANDING WORK, OFTEN UNDER VERY DIFFICULT CONDITIONS. AND
7 THIS WAGE INCREASE, WHILE SMALL, STILL ACKNOWLEDGES YOUR
8 DEDICATION AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO A COMMUNITY OF WELL-BEING.
9 SO, WITH MOST OF OUR IHS WORKERS EARNING NOW JUST ABOUT \$18.50
10 FOR OUR AND SPENDING OVER 50% OF THAT ON HOUSING THIS MODEST
11 WAGE INCREASE IS A STEP TOWARDS ACHIEVING A LIVING WAGE IN ONE
12 OF THE MOST EXPENSIVE REGIONS IN THE COUNTRY. AND I KNOW THAT
13 WHEN WE INVEST IN OUR CAREGIVERS, WE INVEST IN THE DIGNITY AND
14 QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE. FAIR WAGES EMPOWER
15 PROVIDERS TO DELIVER THE COMPASSIONATE, RELIABLE CARE THAT OUR
16 SENIORS AND OUR DISABLED RESIDENTS DESERVE AND I KNOW THAT
17 INVESTING IN IN-HOME HEALTH CARE WILL AGAIN SAVE THE COUNTY
18 MONEY. THANK YOU TO THE CEO'S TEAM, THANK YOU TO THE WHOLE
19 NEGOTIATING TEAM, THANK YOU TO THE LEADERSHIP OF 2015 FOR
20 STAYING AT THE TABLE, WORKING LONG HOURS, WORKING LATE INTO
21 THE NIGHT, WORKING ON THE WEEKENDS TO COME TO THIS AGREEMENT.
22 I'M HAPPY THAT I'M HERE TODAY TO CAST MY VOTE TO RATIFY TO SAY
23 YES TO THIS WAGE INCREASE. THANK YOU. I'M GRATEFUL.

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU ALL. GOOD



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1 JOB. KEEP IT UP RIGHT THERE. OKAY. NO, NO, NO. NOT YET. NOT
2 YET. FIRST OF ALL, I ECHO EVERYTHING THAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE
3 SAID. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR THE MOTION THAT
4 REALLY DOES SUMMARIZE WHAT THIS BOARD WAS COMMITTED TO DOING.
5 AND IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT TOGETHER WE ALL
6 PUSH THE ENVELOPE BECAUSE IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR US TO DO WHAT'S
7 RIGHT. AND I WOULD ACTUALLY CORRECT AND SAY, WHILE THE COUNTY
8 IS BENEFITING FROM THIS, SO IS THE STATE. BECAUSE IF NOT FOR
9 THE WORKERS THAT ARE NOT ONLY IN THE AUDIENCE, BUT THE ONES
10 THAT HAVE COME UP TO ME IN THE MARKET, TARGET, THEY COME UP TO
11 ME EVERYWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY TO LET ME KNOW HOW DIFFICULT
12 THEIR JOB IS AND HOW THEY NEED A FAIR WAGE. CARMEN, A
13 CONSTITUENT, THANK YOU. YOU HAVE BEEN A VOICE OF REASON AND
14 BEEN SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS THE DIFFICULTIES THAT WE HAVE IN
15 FRONT OF US BUT RECOGNIZE THAT ACCEPTING NO AS AN ANSWER IS
16 NOT AN ANSWER. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BEING SO TENACIOUS,
17 BUT ALSO BEING FAIR. AND THEN ONE THING I WILL ASK BEFORE WE
18 CAST THIS VOTE, AND AGAIN, THANK YOU ALL. AND I AGREE WITH
19 WHAT THE SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID I UNDERSTOOD ENOUGH TO KNOW
20 THAT I TOO HAD PARENTS WHO HAD CARE WORKERS AND IF NOT FOR
21 THEM I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE THE QUALITY OF CARE THE QUALITY OF
22 LIFE THAT ESPECIALLY MY MOM WOULD NOT WOULD HAVE HAD SO I
23 THINK WE ALL COULD SHARE STORIES ABOUT SOMEONE WE KNOW WHO HAS
24 BENEFITED FROM BEING ABLE TO STAY IN THEIR HOME BECAUSE THERE
25 ARE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE WILLING TO DO COMPASSIONATE CARE,



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1 WHICH IS WHAT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU DO ON A DAY IN AND DAY
2 OUT BASIS. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE WORK THAT YOU
3 DO AS WELL. BUT ONE THING I'M GOING TO ASK, AND IT'S A REPORT
4 BACK, I THINK WE WOULD ALL AGREE THE ONE TAKEAWAY IS THAT THE
5 SYSTEM AS IT IS IN PLACE AS IT RELATES TO PASC NEEDS TO BE
6 REVISITED. IT IS NOT WORKING. AND I WOULD ARGUE THAT WE HAVE
7 AN OPPORTUNITY NOW TO HIT THE RESET BUTTON. AND SO, JOE, MY
8 TASK TO YOU WOULD BE, EVEN AT THE STATE LEVEL, BECAUSE I KNOW
9 THAT THERE'S LEGISLATION SO THAT MAY CHANGE ANYWAY, BUT WE
10 NEED TO REVISIT HOW THIS PASC WORKS. I UNDERSTAND WHY IT WAS
11 CREATED BECAUSE I WAS ACTUALLY A DEPUTY WHEN IT WAS CREATED,
12 BUT IT'S CLEAR TO ME THAT THERE'S GOT TO BE A BETTER WAY.
13 MAYBE WE LOOK AT OTHER COUNTIES AND HOW THEY ARE DOING IT, BUT
14 THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO LESSONS LEARNED. THE GOOD
15 NEWS IS THAT WE WORKED IT OUT. THE BAD NEWS IS THAT IF WE
16 DON'T FIX IT, WE'RE GOING TO BE BACK TO SQUARE ONE IN A COUPLE
17 YEARS. SO, I WOULD ASK YOU TO DO A REPORT BACK, AND IT
18 DOESN'T, I'M NOT GOING TO EVEN PUT A TIME LIMIT ON IT, BUT I
19 THINK IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN
20 RESTRUCTURE AND ADDRESS THE WHOLE PASC ISSUE.

21
22 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** YEAH, SUPERVISOR, WE'VE HAD SOME OF THOSE
23 DISCUSSIONS INTERNALLY, ESPECIALLY AFTER THIS NEGOTIATING
24 SESSION. AND I THINK WHAT WE COULD DO IS WORK WITH DPSS ON
25 THAT, PROBABLY GIVE US 90 DAYS TO GET YOU BACK A REPORT.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE, I MEAN, 90 DAYS IS
3 FAR BETTER THAN WHAT I WAS EXPECTING. I JUST THINK IT'S AN
4 OPPORTUNITY FOR US. AND I SAW THE LABOR LEADERS DOING THE SAME
5 THING BECAUSE I THINK IT WAS AS FRUSTRATING FOR YOU AS IT WAS
6 FOR US AS IT RELATES TO THE WHOLE NEGOTIATION PROCESS. SO,
7 WITH THAT, AGAIN, THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING EACH AND EVERY DAY.
8 THE PEOPLE THAT I GO SHOPPING WITH, THANK YOU FOR BEING SO
9 NICE WHEN YOU DO COME UP TO ME. AND WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR
10 MITCHELL.

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.
13 THANK YOU FOR RAISING THAT LAST POINT. AND I JUST WANTED TO
14 REITERATE, WE KNOW THAT THERE'S A BILL GOING TO THE PROCESS
15 THAT WILL ALLOW FOR STATEWIDE BARGAINING. AND I DON'T KNOW
16 WHERE THAT BILL IS. SO, PART OF THAT PROCESS, IF THE CEO LAIR
17 COULD TELL US, I KNOW THE LEGISLATURE IS ABOUT TO ADJOURN IN A
18 MATTER OF WEEKS. APPROPRIATIONS BILLS WERE LIFTED LAST WEEK,
19 AND I JUST DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT BILL IS BECAUSE THAT COULD BE
20 THE FIRST SIGNIFICANT STEP IN US RESOLVING THAT. SO, IF YOU
21 KNOW NOW, GREAT, IF NOT, IF THAT COULD BE A PART OF.

22

23 **JOSEPH NICCHITTA:** I DO, SUPERVISOR, I HAVE AN UPDATE AND I
24 CAN'T, OH, HERE IT IS, IT IS ASSEMBLY BILL 283. IT WAS THE
25 HANEY BILL. SO, IT DID PASS OUT OF THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS



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1 COMMITTEE AND IT WENT TO THE FLOOR AND IT WENT WITH A COUPLE
2 OF AMENDMENTS THAT I THINK ARE LARGELY BENEFICIAL TO THE
3 COUNTIES. IT PREVENTS REBASING THE COUNTY MOUS BASED ON ANY
4 NEGOTIATIONS THAT THE STATE AGREES TO WITH SEIU 2015. AND
5 THERE WAS ONE OTHER, AND THE STATE WOULD PAY 100% OF THE NON-
6 FEDERAL SHARE OF ANY ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THAT WE
7 BEAR BECAUSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS CONDUCTED BY THE STATE. NOW,
8 THERE IS STILL SOME AMBIGUITY. AND SO, OUR LEGISLATIVE TEAM,
9 MARVIN DEON'S UP THERE, ALREADY MET WITH A SENATE COMMITTEE. I
10 FORGET WHICH PERSON IN THE SENATE COMMITTEE, BUT TO SEE IF
11 THERE WAS SOME OPPORTUNITY TO CLARIFY BEFORE IT GETS A FULL
12 FLOOR VOTE.

13
14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WELL, THAT IS EXCELLENT NEWS. SO,
15 THANK YOU FOR RAISING THAT. WE'LL KEEP OUR FINGERS CROSSED
16 WITH REGARDS TO THE SUCCESS OF THAT BILL, BECAUSE I THINK THAT
17 WILL MAKE IT CLEARER AND CLEANER FOR US, MADAM CHAIR, AS A
18 COUNTY TO NAVIGATE DIFFERENTLY. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AMEN TO THAT. ALL RIGHT. SEEING NO
21 OTHER OF MY COLLEAGUES WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM,
22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
23 WISH TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, BEGINNING WITH CARMEN ROBERTS.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME



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SUPERVISORS

1 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ADAN ALVAREZ, CARMEN
2 ROBERTS, HENRY PEREZ, HUGO ROMER, KHALID HUDSON, ROBERT HU. AS
3 A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE PLACED IN THE
4 SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 65A, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY
5 DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS
6 STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. FIRST SPEAKER, YOUR LINE IS
7 UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

8

9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MODERATOR, WHY DON'T WE GO WITH
10 THE IN-PERSON SPEAKER FIRST? SO, LET'S HOLD REMOTE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **CARMEN ROBERTS:** OKAY, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
15 CARMEN ROBERTS, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF SEIU 2015. FIRST
16 OF ALL, I'M SO PROUD OF OUR MEMBERS, THE CAREGIVERS WHO HAVE
17 SHOWN UP WEEK AFTER WEEK SHARING THEIR STORIES. THEY'VE PUT A
18 FACE TO A PROFESSION THAT TOO OFTEN IS UNSEEN AND THEIR
19 COURAGE HAS BROUGHT US TO THIS MOMENT. THIS TENTATIVE
20 AGREEMENT IS MORE THAN A CONTRACT, IT'S RECOGNITION.
21 RECOGNITION THAT CAREGIVERS MATTER AND THAT THEIR WORK VALUE
22 AND TOGETHER WE CAN CREATE A PATHWAY OUT OF POVERTY. IT SHOWS
23 WHAT'S POSSIBLE WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER. YOU ASKED US TO
24 IDENTIFY FUNDING, WE DID. YOU ASKED US TO CONSIDER A ONE-YEAR
25 AGREEMENT, WE DID. AND GIVEN THE COUNTY CHALLENGES, AND WE



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1 DID. THE RESULT IS A SHORT BUT POWERFUL CONTRACT, A .74 WAGE
2 SUPPLEMENT THAT SECURES MILLIONS IN STATE DOLLARS. WE, SEIU
3 2015, THANK YOU SUPERVISORS, WE KNOW IT COULDN'T HAPPEN
4 WITHOUT YOU, AND WE THANK THE PAST AND THE CEO FOR WORKING
5 WITH US. PLEASE VOTE YES. THANK YOU.

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

8
9 **ADAN ALVAREZ:** YES, HELLO. MY NAME IS, GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE
10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ADAN ALVAREZ WITH TEAMSTERS
11 LOCAL 396, REPRESENTING THOUSANDS OF PACKAGE DELIVERY AND
12 SANITATION WORKERS HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HERE TO
13 SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS TENTATIVE AGREEMENT AND IN SUPPORT OF
14 OUR HARDWORKING HOME HEALTH CARE WORKERS HERE TODAY WHO ARE
15 FIGHTING FOR DIGNITY AND RESPECT, RIGHT? THIS IS THE ABILITY
16 TO CARE FOR THOSE THEY WORK FOR AND PROVIDE FOR THEIR
17 FAMILIES. THEY'RE NOT, THEY'RE LOOKING TO YOU ALL TO DO THE
18 RIGHT THING HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THEM, ALLOW THEM TO CARE FOR
19 THEIR, YOU KNOW, PATIENTS AS WELL AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE
20 FAMILIES. SO, WITH THAT, I PLEASE URGE THIS BOARD HERE TO VOTE
21 YES ON THIS TENTATIVE AGREEMENT, DUE RIGHT BY THE WORKERS.
22 THANK YOU.

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



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COLIN HUDSON: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS COLIN HUDSON. I'M THE
RESIDENT OF DISTRICT NUMBER 2 AND THE ADVOCACY MANAGER FOR
CARE L.A. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 65A AND APPLAUD
THE COUNCIL'S SUPPORT, THE VOICE IN THEIR SUPPORT. I HAVE A
GREAT AUNT NAMED SARAH WHO'S 92 YEARS OLD, STRUGGLES WITH
DEMENTIA. AND FIVE YEARS AGO, MY AUNT, ANOTHER AUNT, HAD TO GO
GET HER AND RESCUE HER AND BRING HER HOME. THEY'RE CURRENTLY
LIVING IN THE BAY AREA WHERE MY AUNT IS PAID \$20 AN HOUR FOR
PART-TIME TO PROVIDE FULL-TIME CARE, AND WHICH IS MORE THAN
WHAT WAS PAID TO THESE WORKERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. AND SO, I
WOULD APPLAUD AND SUPPORT YOU ALL'S AGREEMENT TO THESE TERMS
IN ORDER TO PAY THESE WORKERS WHO PROVIDE CARE FOR THEIR LOVED
ONES QUALITY PAYMENT AND FULFILL THIS CONTRACT. ALL RIGHT,
THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU.

LORETTA LORAINE: LORETTA LORAINE, I'M SO PROUD OF Y'ALL. LOOK,
I GOT ALL YOUR BADGES AND I'M PROUD OF WEARING IT BECAUSE WHAT
YOU'VE DONE FOR THESE PEOPLE HERE IS JUST GREAT BECAUSE THEY
DO TAKE CARE OF OUR MOTHERS, PEOPLE WITH AIDS, THEY DO SO
MUCH. AND I'VE SEEN THE WORK WHAT THEY DO AND WHAT THEY GOTTA
GO THROUGH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR LOVED ONES. AND I'M SO
PROUD OF Y'ALL LADIES FOR VOTING ON THIS AND MAKING A
DIFFERENCE FOR THESE PEOPLE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE A JOB



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND THEY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO MAKE
2 EVERYTHING POSITIVE. THANK YOU, I LOVE Y'ALL.

3

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

5

6 **BYRON JOSE:** BYRON JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA COALITION. WE
7 STAND WITH THE WORKERS. WE REALLY ADMIRE THEIR ENGAGEMENT AND
8 THEIR RELENTLESS LEADERSHIP. WE SHARE SPACE HERE WITH THEM IN
9 THIS BODY. SO, THANK YOU FOR EVERYONE FOR BEING HERE. AND
10 DEFINITELY, MS. ROBERTS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. AND
11 YEAH, WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE BOARD. WE
12 HAD MANY PRESENTATIONS AROUND THE BUDGET TO MAKE SURE THAT
13 WE'RE CENTERING WORKERS AND THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES WHILE
14 WE BALANCE THE BUDGET. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR REMOTE
17 SPEAKERS. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
18 AND BEGIN.

19

20 **MEL BAILEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MEL BAILEY. I AM A
21 PROUD MEMBER OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL, YOUR AREA. AND I
22 ACTUALLY WORK FOR ALL FIVE OF YOU, FOR ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS AS
23 A COUNTY EMPLOYEE. MY MOTHER WORKED IN HOME HEALTH CARE FOR 30
24 YEARS, TAKING CARE OF EVERYONE, UP UNTIL SHE WAS RECENTLY
25 DIAGNOSED WITH STAGE 4 CANCER. TWO MONTHS LATER, MY FATHER



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1 FOLLOWED HER WITH STAGE 4 CANCER. ON JULY 14TH, I WAS INJURED
2 AT WORK BY ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHETHER
3 INTENTIONAL OR JUST GROSS NEGLIGENCE. BUT AT THAT POINT, I WAS
4 UNABLE TO CARE FOR MY FATHER, UNABLE, STILL UNABLE TO, WELL, I
5 WAS UNABLE TO CARE FOR HIM, AND I REALLY NEEDED IN-HOME
6 SUPPORT SERVICES BECAUSE HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY OTHER WAY TO BE
7 TAKEN CARE OF. UNFORTUNATELY, MY FATHER PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST
8 14TH, AND I AM-

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **MEL BAILEY:** WANTED TO HEAR --

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT
15 CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 65A IS BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YEAH, AND THEN TO THE LAST
18 SPEAKER, WE SEND OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE LOSS OF YOUR FATHER.
19 AND IF YOU WERE HERE, YOU WOULD SEE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE
20 NODDING THEIR HEAD, UNDERSTANDING WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
21 SO, WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE
22 ROLL? MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
23 HAHN. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

24

25 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

3

4 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE.

5 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

8

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

10 SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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12 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

13

14 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.

15 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** HALLELUJAH, AYE.

18

19 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.

20 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

23

24 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION

25 CARRIES, 5-0.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALRIGHT, NOW YOU CAN HAVE A QUICK
3 CLAP. OK, THAT'S IT. ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. THERE YOU GO. THANK
4 YOU. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU ALL. THANK YOU FOR THAT. THANK YOU.
5 THANK YOU. THANK YOU. SI SE PUEDE. ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. WE'RE
6 GOING TO MOVE ON WITH OUR AGENDA. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON.
7 THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON NOW TO
8 ITEM NUMBER.

9

10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. I THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO
13 DO 16 FIRST.

14

15 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THAT'S WHAT YOU SHOWED ME.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** 16. OKAY. YEAH, THAT'S WHAT WE HAD
18 LISTED AS 16.

19

20 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON
21 TO ITEM 16, IMPLEMENTING AN EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM TO
22 PREVENT EVICTIONS AND HOMELESSNESS, WHICH WAS HELD BY
23 SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
24 REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE
25 OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING
3 TO START WITH ITEM 16. SO, IF YOU COULD AS QUIETLY AS POSSIBLE
4 LEAVE THE BOARDROOM, WE'D APPRECIATE IT SO WE CAN KEEP MOVING
5 WITH OUR AGENDA. WE'VE GOT A FULL AGENDA. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. OUR FIRST TWO ITEMS TODAY
8 WERE REALLY A GOOD REMINDER THAT THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE FORM
9 OF HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION IS TO KEEP PEOPLE IN THE HOUSING
10 THAT THEY'RE ALREADY IN. AND THIS LAST ITEM HAS BEEN A GOOD
11 REMINDER THAT URGENCY OF NEED REQUIRES CUTTING RED TAPE AND
12 NOT OPERATING AS BUSINESS AS USUAL WHEN OUR REALITY CALLS FOR
13 US TO ACT DIFFERENTLY. THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES WERE DISPLACED BY
14 THE WILDFIRES. THOUSANDS MORE LOST THEIR JOBS AND INCOME. IN
15 FEBRUARY, I INTRODUCED A MOTION TO PROVIDE SIX MONTHS OF
16 EVICTION PROTECTION AND CREATED A \$10,000,000 FUND TO HELP
17 TENANTS AND LANDLORDS MANAGE RENTAL DEBT. BUT DEMAND FOR THE
18 FUND HAS BEEN LOWER THAN EXPECTED BASED ON STAKEHOLDER INPUT
19 AND DATA, INCLUDING THE NUMBER OF SELF-CERTIFICATION FORM
20 DOWNLOADS. MEANWHILE, OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS HAVE EMERGED.
21 FAMILIES WHO ARE OUT OF FEMA AND INSURANCE MONEY, SMALL
22 LANDLORDS STRUGGLING TO REPAIR FIRE AND SMOKE DAMAGED RENT
23 STABILIZED UNITS, AND OTHER TENANTS IMPACTED BY THE WILDFIRES,
24 BY ECONOMIC LOSS, AND BY IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTION. THIS
25 IS AN EMERGENCY. OUR NEIGHBORS ARE SUFFERING NOW. WE HAVE THE



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1 FUNDING. THERE IS DEMONSTRATED NEED. WHAT WE DON'T HAVE IS
2 TIME TO WASTE. IF WE CAN'T STAND WITH WILDFIRE SURVIVORS AND
3 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES WHEN THEY NEED US MOST, THEN WHO ARE WE AS
4 A COUNTY? THIS IS A MOMENT TO ACT, AND THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW.
5 THE CHOICE BEFORE US IS SIMPLE. KEEP PEOPLE SAFE IN THEIR
6 HOMES OR LEAVE THEM BEHIND. IN THE BUREAUCRATIC RED TAPE MESS,
7 OUR EMERGENCIES SEEK TO CUT THROUGH. EVERY ONE OF THESE ISSUES
8 HAS ALREADY BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THIS BOARD AS AN EMERGENCY.
9 WILDFIRES, HOMELESSNESS, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IMMIGRATION
10 ACTIONS. THIS MOTION ADDRESSES ALL THREE. BASED ON DCBA
11 RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMUNITY FEEDBACK, THIS MOTION EXPANDS
12 ELIGIBILITY FOR RENT RELIEF TO MEET THOSE GROWING NEEDS, THE
13 EMERGENCIES WE FACE. LOS ANGELES FAMILIES ARE STILL HURTING.
14 THOUSANDS REMAIN DISPLACED, AND OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS,
15 ESPECIALLY IMMIGRANTS, ARE UNDER ATTACK. ICE RAIDS HAVE
16 DETAINED THOUSANDS AND CREATED FEAR THAT KEEPS FAMILIES FROM
17 SCHOOL, FROM WORK, OR EVEN BUYING GROCERIES. AS FAMILIES
18 STRUGGLE TO PAY RENT, EVICTIONS LOOM, AND WITH THEM, MORE
19 HOMELESSNESS. THIS MOTION IDENTIFIES ANOTHER \$9,800,000 IN
20 FUNDING, BRINGING THE TOTAL TO NEARLY \$20,000,000 TO KEEP
21 PEOPLE HOUSED. DCBA NEEDS AUTHORITY NOW TO LAUNCH THIS
22 PROGRAM. IT HAS BEEN EIGHT MONTHS SINCE THE FIRES, THREE
23 MONTHS SINCE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ESCALATED ITS CAMPAIGN OF
24 FEAR IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE CAN'T START FROM SCRATCH EVERY
25 TIME A DISASTER STRIKES. WE NEED PERMANENT INFRASTRUCTURE TO



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1 RESPOND FASTER, TO PIVOT SMARTER, AND TO DELIVER RESOURCES
2 WHERE THEY'RE NEEDED BECAUSE MORE EMERGENCIES ARE COMING. WE
3 DON'T NEED MORE DELAYS. WE NEED MORE COURAGE, MORE LEADERSHIP,
4 MORE URGENCY. SO, LET'S MEET THIS MOMENT WITH THE ACTION IT
5 DEMANDS. LET'S BE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT ACTS, THAT
6 PROTECTS PEOPLE, THAT PUTS SOLUTIONS OVER STALL TACTICS AND
7 VALUES LIVES OVER BUREAUCRACY. I WANT TO THANK SO MANY
8 COALITION MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN CHAMPIONING THIS EFFORT,
9 INCLUDING CHIRLA, THE COUNCIL OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS IN NORTH
10 AMERICA, THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN ISLAMIC RELATIONS, INCLUSIVE
11 ACTION FOR THE CITY, THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER, TRANS LATINA
12 COALITION, AND SO MANY OTHERS WHO ARE PART OF THIS FIGHT. I
13 URGE OUR BOARD TO ACT TODAY AND TO GET HELP TO THE PEOPLE WHO
14 NEED IT MOST. AND I STRESS THIS BECAUSE THERE WAS A MOTION
15 FILED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM FOR TWO
16 WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2025, AND TO PLACE IT ON THE OPERATIONS
17 CLUSTER AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2025. BECAUSE THOUGH IT
18 INCLUDES WILDFIRE IMPACTS, THEIR MOTION SUGGESTS IT EXPANDS
19 WELL BEYOND THE WILDFIRE STORMS. YES, IT FOCUSES ON ALL THE
20 EMERGENCIES WE ARE FACING, AS WELL AS THE EXEMPTION THIS BOARD
21 JUST APPROVED AT OUR LAST BOARD MEETING REGARDING CLUSTER
22 PROCESS AND IMPACTS FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DIRECTIVES. THIS
23 MOTION IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO WILDFIRE EMERGENCY. IT QUALIFIES
24 FOR EXEMPTION FROM CLUSTER. IT ALSO ADDRESSES EVICTIONS AND
25 HOMELESSNESS, MAKING IT EXEMPT UNDER THE HOMELESSNESS



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1 EMERGENCY DECLARATION. IT RESPONDS TO RECENT FEDERAL
2 IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, WHICH THE BOARD RULED ON AUGUST 12TH
3 CAN BYPASS CLUSTER THANKS TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S AMENDMENT.
4 DELAYING THIS FOR A CLUSTER HEARING MEANS PUTTING VULNERABLE
5 FAMILIES AT GREATER RISK OF EVICTION, OF HOMELESSNESS, OR EVEN
6 DETENTION. AND FOR A REASON, THIS BOARD HAS ALREADY WAIVED
7 PROCESS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH URGENCY. WHY DELAY A LIFE-SAVING
8 PROGRAM FOR EVEN A WEEK ONLY TO RETURN IT BACK TO THE BOARD.
9 WE CAN TAKE ACTION TODAY. IT GOES AGAINST THE CLUSTER REVIEW
10 PROCESS THAT THE BOARD JUST APPROVED BECAUSE IT IS FULLY
11 EXEMPT FROM CLUSTER. WE'RE NOT USING THE 22.01 RULE. WE'RE
12 USING THE EXEMPTIONS THAT ALREADY EXIST IN THIS POLICY, WHICH
13 THE BOARD APPROVED. ALSO, OUR MOTION CITES IN THE PREAMBLE AS
14 JUSTIFICATION THE PROMOTING FURTHER TRANSPARENCY AND
15 EFFICIENCY INTO COUNTY OPERATIONAL PROPERTIES, WHICH IS ABOUT
16 THE GAS COMPANY TOWER, NOT CLUSTER PROCESS REFORM. THE CORRECT
17 MOTION WOULD BE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MAINTAINING TRANSPARENCY
18 AND BOARD POLICYMAKING THROUGH THE CLUSTER REVIEW PROCESS, AND
19 WE KNOW THE OUTCOME OF THAT VOTE. SINCE JUNE, 19 MOTIONS HAVE
20 BYPASSED CLUSTER USING THE 22.01 WAIVER. WE NO LONGER NEED TO
21 RELY ON THAT FOR FEDERAL ACTIONS DUE TO THE NEW AUGUST 12TH
22 AMENDMENT. BUT MANY OF THOSE 19 MOTIONS, INCLUDING
23 IMMIGRATION-RELATED ONES, WERE AUTHORED OR CO-AUTHORED BY
24 SOMEONE WHO IS NOW ASKING WILDFIRE VICTIMS, IMMIGRANTS, AND
25 SMALL PROPERTY OWNERS TO WAIT LONGER. SO, THE QUESTION IS,



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1 WHAT IS DIFFERENT THIS TIME? WHY IS THIS MOTION, ONE THAT
2 PROTECTS IMMIGRANT TENANTS, ONE THAT PROTECTS WILDFIRE
3 SURVIVORS, AND INVEST MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN THEIR CARE BEING
4 HELD TO A DIFFERENT STANDARD. I ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO VOTE YES
5 ON THIS MOTION, TO DENY THE REQUEST TO CONTINUE IT AND TO TAKE
6 ACTION FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED OUR HELP THE MOST, TO SHOW UP AS
7 THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET WE CLAIM TO BE, AND TO HELP PEOPLE WHO
8 ARE AT RISK IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY NOW. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU,
11 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD TODAY. IN
12 FACT, I THINK WE WERE WORKING, SINCE I KNOW I HAVE FIRE
13 SURVIVORS IN MY DISTRICT, WE WERE ACTUALLY WORKING TOGETHER ON
14 A MOTION. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. I HAVE A SENSE OF WHAT
15 HAPPENED. BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS, TO BE CLEAR, I DO UNDERSTAND
16 THE URGENCY BEHIND YOUR MOTION AND THE DESIRE TO ASSIST THOSE
17 IMPACTED BY THE DEVASTATING WILDFIRES THAT SCORCHED BOTH OF
18 OUR DISTRICTS. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY BECAUSE,
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU HAVE BEEN A CHAMPION AS IT RELATES TO
20 THE IMPACT THAT THE ICE RAIDS HAVE HAD, ESPECIALLY IN YOUR
21 DISTRICT, ON CONSTITUENTS WHO ARE AFRAID TO LEAVE THEIR HOME
22 FOR FEAR THEY'RE GOING TO BE ARRESTED AND NOT ABLE TO GET A
23 PAYCHECK TO PAY THEIR RENT. SO, BELIEVE ME, THERE'S A LOT
24 BAKED INTO YOUR MOTION, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. AS A COUNTY, WE
25 HAVE MOVED QUICKLY EARLIER THIS YEAR TO PREVENT MASS



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1 DISPLACEMENTS THROUGH EMERGENCY EVICTION PROTECTIONS. AGAIN, I
2 LOOK TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON THE LEAD AS IT RELATES TO WHAT
3 HAPPENED WITH ICE. AND I APPLAUD YOU FOR THAT BECAUSE YOU
4 RECOGNIZED IT EARLY ON THE IMPACT IT WAS GOING TO HAVE ON
5 PEOPLE THAT MAY END UP UNHOUSED. SO, I RECOGNIZE THAT AND I'M
6 NOT LESSENING THE URGENCY ON ADDRESSING THAT ISSUE. BUT NOW
7 SEVEN MONTHS INTO THIS ONGOING EMERGENCY, THERE ARE STILL
8 FAMILIES WHO REMAIN DISPLACED AS IT RELATE TO THE FIRE, WHO
9 HAVE EXHAUSTED FEMA OR INSURANCE ASSISTANT AND SMALL LANDLORDS
10 WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REPAIR THEIR FIRE DAMAGED UNITS AND
11 ARE AT RISK OF LOSING THEIR PROPERTIES, MANY OF WHICH SERVE AS
12 NATURALLY OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND THAT IS WHY I
13 WANTED TO WORK ON A MOTION WITH YOU TO ADDRESS THE FIRE
14 VICTIMS. HOWEVER, I MUST EXPRESS MY CONCERNS WITH THIS MOTION
15 THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY. WITH MULTIPLE PRIORITY GROUPS
16 DIFFERING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND SEVERAL FUNDING SOURCES,
17 THE PROGRAM MAY BE CONFUSING FOR APPLICANTS AND DIFFICULT TO
18 ADMINISTER EFFICIENTLY, BUT THAT SHOULD NOT STOP US FROM
19 MOVING FORWARD BUT DO IT IN A VERY THOUGHTFUL MANNER. IN
20 ADDITION, THE PROGRAM THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT IS LAUNCHING
21 WITH AN INITIAL \$10,000,000 FROM CARE FIRST DOLLARS AND ARPA,
22 IS SEEKING NEARLY \$10,000,000 MORE FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
23 TRUST FUND FOR RENT RELIEF RATHER THAN PERMANENT HOUSING OR
24 HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION INFRASTRUCTURE. THAT'S A TOTAL
25 INVESTMENT OF \$20,000,000. AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE



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1 DO THIS RIGHT. I KNOW THAT SOME OF THAT MONEY, BASED ON WHAT
2 I'VE HEARD TODAY, MAY ALREADY BE ALLOCATED FOR PROJECTS IN
3 DISTRICTS AS IT RELATES TO HOMELESS PROGRAMS. AND THAT IS WHY
4 I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE VETTED THROUGH THE CLUSTER PROCESS. AND
5 FINALLY, THIS MOTION CONTEMPLATES ESTABLISHING LONG-TERM RENT
6 RELIEF THAT COULD REQUIRE SUSTAINED FUNDING IN THE FUTURE
7 YEARS AS WE CONTINUE REBUILDING EFFORTS. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT
8 JOE AND FESIA, OUR CEO, NEED TO BE COGNIZANT OF WHEN WE BRING
9 FORWARD ANY RECOMMENDATIONS BECAUSE ONCE YOU PUT IT IN PLACE,
10 YOU CANNOT TAKE IT AWAY. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ISSUE
11 AND BOTH THE SHORT AND LONG-TERM IMPACTS, I THINK IT IS
12 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE SEEK OUR COMMUNITY INPUT AND
13 COLLABORATION, ESPECIALLY AS WE ARE WORKING WITH LIMITED
14 RESOURCES. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, I UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY AS IT
15 RELATES TO THE FIRE SURVIVORS, BECAUSE I TALKED TO INDIVIDUALS
16 ACTUALLY ON SUNDAY WHEN I WAS AT AN EVENT WHO ARE STILL IN
17 TEMPORARY HOUSING HAVING TO LOOK FOR A NEW PLACE TO LIVE AND
18 THEY CAN'T FIND ANYTHING THAT THEY CAN AFFORD. OUR POLICIES
19 MUST BE GROUNDED AND INFORMED AND GUIDED BY THOUGHTFUL
20 PLANNING. WITH THAT IN MIND I SUPPORT CONTINUING THIS MOTION
21 FOR TWO WEEKS, TWO WEEKS, REFERRING TO THE CLUSTER DISCUSSION
22 ON SEPTEMBER 10TH FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION TO ENGAGE
23 STAKEHOLDERS, REFINE THE PROPOSAL, AND MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
24 STRONGEST, MOST INFORMED APPROACH. AND THAT DOES NOT TAKE AWAY
25 FROM THE FACT THAT IT WILL STILL BE YOUR MOTION, SUPERVISOR



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1 HORVATH. YOU WILL STILL BE FRONT AND CENTER ON THIS ISSUE. BUT
2 AS A BOARD, I THINK WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO MAKE SURE WE,
3 JUST BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T DONE IT WITH EVERY SINGLE ISSUE
4 DOESN'T MEAN YOU THROW IT AWAY. THERE'S A PROCESS IN PLACE,
5 AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A FAIR AND THOUGHTFUL WAY TO
6 APPROACH IT. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ON ITEM 16, I
9 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR BRINGING THE MOTION
10 BEFORE US. DESPITE THE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST
11 ISIS INDISCRIMINATE TACTICS, OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES
12 CONTINUE TO BE TORN APART BY THESE RAIDS THAT SEPARATE
13 FAMILIES AND DESTROY LIVELIHOODS, INCLUDING THE IMPACT THAT
14 IT'S HAD ON OUR ECONOMY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT IS
15 WHY I HAVE LED, AS YOU KNOW, SEVERAL MOTIONS TO PROTECT OUR
16 IMMIGRANTS, INCLUDING TAKING LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE
17 ADMINISTRATION AND SETTING UP PROGRAMS LIKE THE SMALL BUSINESS
18 INTERRUPTION FUND TO SUPPORT THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED.
19 AND I KNOW WE'RE ALSO TRYING TO GROW PROGRAMS LIKE REPRESENT
20 L.A., WHICH I CREATED TO OFFER LEGAL SUPPORT TO OUR IMMIGRANT
21 COMMUNITIES. AT THE MOMENT THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS HIRING
22 MORE ICE AGENTS AND THREATENING MORE RAIDS IN LOS ANGELES CITY
23 AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THIS MEANS THAT MORE FAMILIES
24 AND BUSINESSES WILL BE DEVASTATED. WE NEED TO PREPARE FOR THAT
25 REALITY. WE HAVE A TARGET ON OUR BACK AND WE NEED TO CONTINUE



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1 TO FIND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THOSE THAT ARE MOST IMPACTED. AND
2 I ALSO KNOW THAT MANY FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTY ARE STILL
3 SUFFERING FROM THE EFFECTS OF JANUARY'S FIRES. IN FACT, MANY
4 OF THE RESIDENTS THAT LOST THEIR HOME CAME TO THE SAN GABRIEL
5 VALLEY TO FIND A RECOURSE, RELIEF, BECAUSE THERE WASN'T
6 ANYTHING AVAILABLE TO THEM. AND OUR COMMUNITY TOOK THEM IN
7 GLADLY, AND WE CONTINUE TO DO THAT. SOME OF OUR IMMIGRANT
8 COMMUNITIES HAVE LOST THEIR INCOME. WE KNOW THAT AS A RESULT
9 OF THE FIRES. AND I WOULD ALSO WANT TO MENTION THAT IF WE ARE
10 REALLY GOING TO BE PREPARING FOR THE REBIRTH AND REGROWTH OF
11 ALL THESE AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE FIRES, WE NEED
12 TO BE SERIOUS ABOUT TRYING TO HELP PEOPLE TO KEEP THEIR JOBS.
13 JUST IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE, IN THIS ARTICLE THAT CAME OUT IN
14 THE DAILY NEWS TODAY, 6,200 JOBS IN L.A. COUNTY CONSTRUCTION
15 AREA HAVE BEEN LOST. 1,200,000 IMMIGRANTS HAVE DISAPPEARED,
16 DISAPPEARED. WHERE DID THEY GO? THIRTY PERCENT OF THOSE PEOPLE
17 ARE IN CONSTRUCTION AND 24% ARE SERVICE WORKERS. YES, WE HAVE
18 BEEN DECIMATED. OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN DECIMATED. WE ALSO
19 WENT THROUGH A VERY BAD COVID PANDEMIC, BUT WE PROVIDED RENT
20 RELIEF THROUGH PROGRAMS AND WE SURVIVED, WE HELPED OUR
21 FAMILIES AND WE'LL CONTINUE WITH OUR EFFORTS TO HELP THE
22 HOMELESS AND PROVIDE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY WHEN CRISIS APPEAR.
23 AND I'M HESITANT TO DELAY THE MOTION THROUGH THE CLUSTER
24 PROCESS BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THIS ISN'T IMMEDIATE AND URGENT
25 MATTER. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE THINGS THAT ARE OUTLINED IN



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1 THIS MOTION AREN'T SOMETHING THAT ALL OF US CAN WRAP OUR ARMS
2 AROUND. I DON'T DISTRUST OUR SYSTEM. I DON'T DISTRUST WHERE
3 OUR COMMUNITY IS REPEATEDLY COMING HERE AT EVERY MEETING FOR
4 THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS DESCRIBING THEIR DISCOURSE, THEIR PAIN,
5 THE FACT THAT THEY ARE BARELY MAKING IT AND MANY OF THEM CAN'T
6 MAKE IT HERE BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE JOBS OR THEY'RE NOW
7 HOMELESS. AND THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT WE REPRESENT. I
8 REPRESENT A GOOD NUMBER OF THEM IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. SO, I
9 WOULD URGE OUR BODY HERE TO CONSIDER WHAT IT MEANS SEPARATING
10 THESE FAMILIES FURTHER FROM THEIR REALITY AND GIVING THEM
11 SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED THAT THE COUNTY AS A SAFETY NET SHOULD
12 BE PROVIDING. SO, I SUPPORT THE MOTION MOVING FORWARD. I DON'T
13 AGREE THAT IT NEEDS TO GO TO THE CLUSTER PROCESS BECAUSE IT IS
14 IN FACT IMPACTING, IT WILL IMPACT AND PROVIDE RELIEF TO THOSE
15 PEOPLE MOST IN NEED AT THIS TIME. FIRE VICTIMS, BUSINESSES,
16 AND ALSO OUR WORKFORCE, OUR IMMIGRANT, OUR MIGRANT WORKFORCE
17 AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED AND HAD NO
18 PEOPLE ACTUALLY STANDING UP TO FIGHT FOR THEM THE WAY THAT WE
19 SHOULD. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF YOU CAN JUST RAISE
22 YOUR HANDS IF YOU AGREE. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. THIS MOTION DOES
25 PRIORITIZE THE VICTIMS OF THE WILDFIRES. IN FACT, IT'S WRITTEN



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1 INTO THE MOTION, AND THAT WOULD BE THE FIRST TIER OF PRIORITY.
2 SO THAT ISN'T IN QUESTION WITH THIS MOTION. I UNDERSTAND THAT
3 THE CHAIR'S OFFICE DIDN'T WANT TO INCLUDE IMMIGRANT
4 COMMUNITIES IN THIS PARTICULAR DRAFT, AND SO THAT'S WHY WE
5 DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD BECAUSE I DIDN'T HEAR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
6 OF IMMIGRANTS IN THE COMMENTS TODAY, AND I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE
7 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES BEHIND WHO ARE FACING ICE RAIDS, WHO ARE
8 BEING ATTACKED RELENTLESSLY, WHO ARE BEING KIDNAPPED OFF OUR
9 STREETS. AND THIS BOARD HAS BROUGHT FORWARD MANY MOTIONS
10 AFFIRMING OUR COMMITMENT TO STANDING WITH IMMIGRANTS. BUT WE
11 ALSO NEED TO INVEST IN THAT WORK. IT'S NOT JUST GOING TO
12 HAPPEN BECAUSE WE SAY IT SHOULD HAPPEN. WE HAVE TO INVEST IN
13 MAKING IT HAPPEN. AND THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION DOES. IT
14 PRIORITIZES EVERYONE WHO IS FACING EMERGENCY AND FOLLOWS ALL
15 OF THE RULES THAT THE BOARD HAS ESTABLISHED. SO THE QUESTION
16 IS WHETHER WE WANT TO TAKE ACTION NOW, BY THE WAY RENTS DO,
17 THAT'S WHAT A SENSE OF URGENCY IS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE RENTING,
18 WHO ARE LIVING PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK, WHO DON'T OWN THEIR HOMES
19 AND WHO ARE AT RISK OF LOSING EVERYTHING AND FALLING INTO
20 HOMELESSNESS, NOW IS THE TIME TO FIGHT FOR THEM. AND THAT'S
21 WHAT I INTEND TO DO, AND I HOPE THIS BOARD WILL VOTE YES ON
22 THIS MOTION.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I'M SORRY, I GUESS
25 YOU DIDN'T HEAR ME ACKNOWLEDGE THIS WORK THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS



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1 DID, AND I DID ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMMIGRANTS THAT ARE IMPACTED BY
2 ICE. SO I WILL AGAIN RESTATE IT IN CASE YOU DID NOT HEAR IT. I
3 ACKNOWLEDGED WAY BACK WHEN. WHEN WAS THE FIRST MOTION YOU
4 BROUGHT IN? I THINK WHEN ICE FIRST STARTED, DO THEIR RACE. SO,
5 I AM PAINFULLY AWARE OF THE IMPACT THIS IS HAVING ON THE
6 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. SO, BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THE MOTION DID
7 START OUT AS FIRE SURVIVORS. AND QUITE FRANKLY, I THOUGHT
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WAS WORKING ON A MOTION FOR RENT AS IT
9 RELATES TO IMMIGRANTS. SO THAT IS WHY I FELT THAT IT WAS
10 BETTER TO LET A SUPERVISOR WHO'S BEEN WORKING ON THIS CONTINUE
11 TO BRING SOMETHING FORWARD, BUT OBVIOUSLY I WAS MISINFORMED.
12 SO, WITH THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THOSE
13 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO TESTIFY.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
16 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. LUPITA MARTINEZ, MARIA
17 ELENA MIRAS, LILIA DELGADO, YANEL MENKELE, NAELI GARCIA, BYRON
18 JOSE, JUAN MUNOZ, EVELYN ALAMON, DIEGO MORALES, ANNA CRUZ,
19 GABRIELA ORONA, MIGUEL COJON, MARIA HERNANDEZ, ISABEL ACOSTA,
20 MINERVA HERNANDEZ, ROSA MIRANDA, MARISOL DIAZ, AND ROSA
21 MIRANDA. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE
22 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 16. IF YOU HAVE
23 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE
24 OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. NICHOLAS GARDNER, YOUR
25 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 **NICHOLAS GARDNER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY?

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES GO AHEAD.

5

6 **NICHOLAS GARDNER:** HI, MY NAME IS NICHOLAS GARDNER. I'M WITH
7 UNITED TEACHERS LOS ANGELES AND A RESIDENT OF THE FIRST BOARD
8 DISTRICT. WE ARE CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. OUR
9 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN PUT UNDER UNBELIEVABLE STRESS
10 BECAUSE OF THE CRUEL IMMIGRATION RAIDS INITIATED BY THE
11 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, FIRE VICTIMS, AND
12 ALL OF LOS ANGELES NEED THE SUPPORT. SO, WE URGE YOU TO VOTE
13 IN FAVOR OF THIS ITEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. BETHANY LEAL, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
16 PLEASE BEGIN.

17

18 **BETHANY LEAL:** HELLO, MY NAME IS BETHANY LEAL AND I'M WITH THE
19 KOREAN RESOURCE CENTER, PART OF THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A.
20 COALITION. I AM HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE EMERGENCY DEBT
21 RELIEF PROGRAM. WITHOUT DEBT RELIEF, AS YOU ALL HAVE
22 MENTIONED, WILDLIFE VICTIMS, IMMIGRANT AND LOW-INCOME TENANTS
23 ARE AT THE RISK OF EVICTION AND HOMELESSNESS FOR CIRCUMSTANCES
24 COMPLETELY BEYOND THEIR CONTROL. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 16
25 WITHOUT DELAY.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MEGAN RICH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
3 PLEASE BEGIN. MEGAN RICH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. CALLER WITH PHONE
4 NUMBER 626-246, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
5 BEGIN.

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7 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS DANA SCAMIA I'M CALLING ON
8 BEHALF OF CARECEN AND IN COALITION WITH THE IMMIGRANTS ARE
9 L.A. AND I'M CALLING THE SUPPORT ITEM 16 CARESEN HAS WITNESSED
10 FOR TOWN HOW ACCESSING HOW ACCESSING HOUSING REMAINS A
11 PRESSING ISSUE TO OUR COMMUNITY WITH MANY IMMIGRANTS FACING
12 SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES, ESPECIALLY RIGHT NOW GIVEN THE ONGOING
13 ICE RAIDS. WITHOUT SUPPORT FROM L.A. COUNTY'S IMMIGRANTS
14 WHO'VE LOST INCOME DUE TO ICE RAIDS WILL FACE EVICTION AND
15 HOMELESSNESS. WE KNOW THAT RENT RELIEF WORKS. WE'VE SEEN IT
16 HAPPEN DURING COVID-19 WHEN L.A. COUNTY DISTRIBUTED OVER
17 80,000,000 IN RENT RELIEF. WE NEED THAT KIND OF URGENCY NOW
18 AND WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT RENT RELIEF IS PERMANENT, FLEXIBLE
19 AND ACCESSIBLE TO COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHRIES, YOUR LINE IS
22 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

23

24 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YOU GET THIS MONSTER AND YOU DESERVE WHAT YOU
25 GET. AND THE WORD IS CALLED THE LEGAL IMMIGRANTS DON'T HAVE



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1 ANY PROBLEM. ILLEGAL, YOU CREATED THE MONSTER. SO LET ICE LAND
2 AND GOD PROTECT PRESIDENT TRUMP AND DESERVE WHAT YOU GET. AND
3 YOU COULD FAIL TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN HERE AS
4 ILLEGAL FOR A LONG TIME AND TAKE CARE OF THE BILLIONS OF
5 DOLLARS THAT WE HAVE FAILED TO GET IN TAXES AND SO FORTH. YOU
6 ARE CRIMINAL FELONS ON SO MANY LEVELS AND YOU DON'T DESERVE TO
7 BE IN OFFICE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MIA HENDRICKS, YOUR LINE IS
10 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. MEGAN RICH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
11 BEGIN.

12

13 **MEGAN RICH:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, GO AHEAD.

16

17 **MEGAN RICH:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MEGAN RICH
18 AND I'M A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT INTERN WITH LA DEFENSA. ON ITEM
19 16, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT WHILE WE FULLY SUPPORT THE URGENT
20 NEED TO KEEP FAMILIES HOUSED AFTER THE RECENT WILDFIRES, THE
21 WAY THIS MOTION REALLOCATES NEARLY \$5,000,000 FROM CFCI
22 FUNDING IS DEEPLY CONCERNING. MEASURE J CREATED A PROCESS THAT
23 CENTERS COMMUNITY VOICES AND ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH THE
24 ADVISORY COMMITTEE. BY BYPASSING THAT PROCESS, THIS MOTION
25 RISKS UNDERMINING THE VERY PRINCIPLES OF CO-GOVERNANCE AND



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1 TRUST THAT VOTERS DEMANDED. WE'RE NOT QUESTIONING THE NEED FOR
2 RENT RELIEF. WE KNOW HOUSING STABILITY IS ESSENTIAL, BUT HOW
3 WE FUND IT MATTERS. AND WE HOPE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
4 CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH TRANSPARENCY BY SENDING THIS MOTION TO
5 CLUSTER SO THAT WE CAN HAVE INTENTIONAL COMMUNITY
6 CONVERSATIONS AROUND THE USAGE OF CFCI FUNDS. THAT IS HOW WE
7 BUILD BRIDGES, NOT BURN THEM, ON THE PATH TOWARD A MORE JUST
8 LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. LATIA SADDLE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
11 PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** I SIGNED UP FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS, BUT I'M A
14 VETERAN WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE. IN ADDITION TO SUPPORTING
15 REQUESTED FOR AGENDA ITEM 17 FOR VETERANS TRYING TO FILE VA
16 CLAIMS. THERE MUST ALSO BE PROTECTION FOR VETERANS AFTER THEIR
17 CLAIMS ARE APPROVED.

18

19 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THIS IS ITEM, EXCUSE ME, THIS IS ITEM 16? RENT
20 RELIEF?

21

22 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** YES, I KNOW IT'S FOR 16, BUT IT'S DEALING
23 WITH HOUSING AS WELL. SO THAT JUST KIND OF CUT INTO MY TIME
24 SOME MORE TO EXPLAIN. BUT I SIGNED UP FOR 16, 17 AND PUBLIC
25 COMMENT.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, YOU CAN TALK ON 16. ALL
3 RIGHT, GET BACK IN THE QUEUE FOR THE NEXT ITEM. WHEN YOU HAVE
4 PUBLIC COMMENT.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER 323-243, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
7 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

8
9 **SUSAN SANDOVAL:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SUSAN SANDOVAL
10 AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM TO
11 PREVENT EVICTIONS AND HOMELESSNESS. THE WILDFIRES FORCED ME
12 FROM MY HOME. I LOST MY SENSE OF STABILITY, SAFETY, AND PEACE.
13 I DIDN'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD LIVE AND THE FINANCIAL STRESS AND
14 ANXIETY TO FIND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND REBUILD. AND THE
15 UNCERTAINTY IS CRIPPLING. IN THE MIDDLE OF THAT CHAOS, IGNITE
16 THE LIGHT OF HOPE FOUNDATION BECAME A LIFELINE. THEY WERE A
17 RESOURCE NOT ONLY TO WILDFIRE VICTIMS LIKE ME, BUT ALSO FOR
18 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY SUFFERING FROM THE FEDERAL
19 IMMIGRATION CRACKDOWN. THEIR SUPPORT HAS GIVEN ME STRENGTH
20 EVEN WHEN EVERYTHING FELT UNSTABLE. BUT EVEN WITH THAT
21 SUPPORT, THE FINANCIAL STRAIN IS CRUSHING. WE KNOW RENT RELIEF
22 WORKS. DURING COVID-19, L.A. COUNTY DISTRIBUTED OVER
23 \$80,000,000 IN RENT RELIEF AND WE ARE ASKING FOR THAT SAME
24 URGENCY NOW TO HELP WITH THIS BILL.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE
2 NUMBER 412-482 YOUR LINE IS OPEN PLEASE BEGIN.

3

4 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS YESENIA AND I'M CALLING ON
5 BEHALF OF THE RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. I'M PART OF MITCHELL'S
6 DISTRICT. FIRST I WANT TO START BY SAYING THAT THIS DELAY
7 MOTION MEANS THAT THIS MOTION WILL COME INTO THE BOARD FOR ONE
8 MONTH. HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL END UP HOMELESS IN THIS MONTH? BE
9 A PART OF THE SOLUTION, NOT THE PROBLEM. WITHOUT RENT AND
10 RELIEF, WILDFIRE VICTIMS, IMMIGRANTS, AND LOW-INCOME TENANTS
11 ARE AT RISK OF EVICTION, HOMELESSNESS. FEDERAL IMMIGRATION
12 CRACKDOWNS ARE MAKING THINGS WORSE. FAMILIES WHO LOST INCOME
13 DUE TO RAIDS NEED URGENT SUPPORT AND STAY SAFE AND HOUSING.
14 THANK YOU.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 312-
17 623, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.
18 CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 312-623 YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

19

20 **MEGAN TROY:** HI, THIS IS MEGAN TROY WITH POWER PEOPLE ORGANIZED
21 FOR WESTSIDE L.A. I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF 16. WE KNOW THAT
22 RENT RELIEF WORKS IN OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN
23 FORCED OUT OF BEING ABLE TO ATTEND THEIR NORMAL WORK AND
24 PROVIDE FOR THEMSELVES BECAUSE OF THE UNBELIEVABLE OVERREACH
25 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ATTACKING OUR COMMUNITIES. OUR



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1 ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN SCRAMBLING TO RAISE FUNDS FROM POOR
2 PEOPLE, RAISING FOR POOR PEOPLE IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR
3 FOLKS CAN STAY HOME AND STAY SAFE. THE RENT RELIEF WILL HAVE
4 ENORMOUS IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITIES. PLEASE VOTE IN SUPPORT.
5 I'M SPEAKING WITH PEOPLE ORGANIZED FOR WEST SIDE RENEWAL AND
6 IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MAYA HENDRIX, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
9 PLEASE BEGIN

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11 **MAYA HENDRICKS:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD. MY NAME IS MAYA
12 HENDRICKS. I'M A RESIDENT OF SD 3 AND A MEMBER OF THE
13 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THE
14 AMENDMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM 16. IT'S CLEAR THAT THE URGENCY OF
15 THE MOMENT IS BEING FELT ACROSS THE BOARD AND WE APPRECIATE
16 THAT, BUT THE WAY WE APPROACH IT MATTERS. AS PRESENTED, THIS
17 MOTION WOULD REALLOCATE FUNDS WITHOUT THE NECESSARY INPUT FROM
18 THE CFCI ADVISORY BODY AND UNDERMINE THE PARTICIPATORY PROCESS
19 THAT 2,100,000 VOTERS APPROVED WHEN THEY PASSED MEASURE J. WE
20 SHARE THE URGENCY. WE FEEL IT DEEPLY. MANY OF US LIVE IT EVERY
21 DAY. HOUSING IS A VITAL NEED AND RENT RELIEF IS NEEDED, BUT
22 SETTING THE PRECEDENT OF SIDELINING THE COMMUNITY VOICES THAT
23 WE HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO BRING INTO THE CONVERSATION IS
24 SCARY. THEREFORE, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE AMENDMENTS ON
25 THIS ITEM TO RETURN THE MOTION TO CLUSTER AND ALLOW FOR AN



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1 INTENTIONAL DISCUSSION ABOUT THE SOURCE OF FUNDS. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818-
4 492, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **TEODORA REYES:** HI, MY NAME IS TEODORA REYES. I'M CALLING ON
7 BEHALF OF A RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND DISTRICT
8 3. I'M FULL SUPPORT OF ITEM 16 AND URGE ALL OF OUR BOARD
9 MEMBERS TO CONTINUE SUPPORTING OUR MOST VULNERABLE
10 COMMUNITIES. RENT ISN'T THE ONLY BURDEN ON THE TABLE. IT'S
11 BASIC NEEDS, IT'S OUR UTILITIES, AND A LOT OF OUR FAMILY
12 MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE AFRAID TO STEP OUTSIDE
13 DURING THIS TIME, WHETHER IT'S BECAUSE OF IMMIGRATION, FEDERAL
14 ENFORCEMENT, OR JUST BECAUSE ALSO CHILD CARE IN THE HOME,
15 RIGHT, FOR OUR FIRE VICTIMS. SO, I'M REALLY GRATEFUL TO OUR
16 BOARD SUPERVISOR FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. AND AGAIN,
17 I FULLY SUPPORT THE ITEM AS A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3. THANK
18 YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
21 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THE REMOTE PARTICIPATION
22 FOR ITEM 16 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON
23 SPEAKERS. FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

24

25 **JUAN MUNOZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS JUAN MUNOZ AND I'M HERE



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ON BEHALF OF UNITE HERE LOCAL 11. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF MOTION TO PREVENT FURTHER HOUSING INSTABILITY. HOSPITALITY WORKERS, THE MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE IMMIGRANTS, HAVE BEEN HIT HARD BOTH BY THE WILDFIRES AND BY TRUMP'S BRUTAL ICE RAIDS. WILDFIRES COST OUR MEMBERS HOURS, JOBS, AND EVEN THEIR HOMES. IMMIGRATION CRACKDOWNS HAVE CREATED FEAR AND SUDDEN INCOME LOSS. FAMILIES WHO WORK HARD EVERY DAY TO KEEP L.A. COUNTY'S TOURISM INDUSTRY RUNNING ARE STRUGGLING JUST TO KEEP A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS. WE KNOW RENT RELIEF WORKS. DURING COVID, IT KEPT THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES SAFE AND HOUSED. NOW WE NEED THAT SAME URGENCY TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AND THE WORKING PEOPLE WHO SERVE THIS COUNTY EVERY DAY BUT ARE FACING REAL HARDSHIP. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR INTRODUCING THIS ITEM. WE URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION WITHOUT DELAY HOUSING STABILITY IS SURVIVAL. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: HOLD ON WE'LL GET YOUR SPEAKER. NO, LET'S TURN ON HER MIC.

NAYELI GARCIA LEONARDO: IS THIS BETTER? GREAT. I WAS SO EXCITED. OKAY, GOOD MORNING, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS NAYELI GARCIA LEONARDO AND I AM THE FIELD REPRESENTATIVE



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1 FOR ASSEMBLYWOMAN CELESTE RODRIGUEZ. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF
2 OF THE ASSEMBLYWOMAN TO SPEAK IN STRONG SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
3 HORVATH'S MOTION TO PROVIDE TARGETED RENT RELIEF TO VULNERABLE
4 TENANTS, INCLUDING FAMILIES IMPACTED BY SUDDEN INCOME LOSS DUE
5 TO FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT OR OTHER EMERGENCIES. WE
6 NEED TO BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT WHAT'S AT STAKE HERE. THESE ARE
7 REAL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WHO ARE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN
8 TO SURVIVE AND WHO ARE BEING PUSHED TO THE BRINK THROUGH NO
9 FAULT OF THEIR OWN. WHEN A PARENT LOSES INCOME BECAUSE OF AN
10 UNEXPECTED RAID OR AN EMERGENCY LIKE A MEDICAL CRISIS OR A
11 DEATH IN THE FAMILY, IT DOESN'T JUST THREATEN THEIR HOUSING,
12 BUT IT ALSO THREATENS THEIR CHILDREN'S ENTIRE FUTURE. EVICTION
13 IS TRAUMA. DISPLACEMENT DESTABILIZES FAMILIES. CHILDREN FORCED
14 OUT OF THEIR HOMES ARE MORE LIKELY TO FALL BEHIND IN SCHOOL,
15 EXPERIENCE ANXIETY OR DEPRESSION, AND FACE LONG-TERM
16 DEVELOPMENTAL CHALLENGES.

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

19
20 **EVELYN ALEMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS EVELYN
21 ALEMAN, AND I'M FOUNDER OF OUR VOICE, COMMUNITIES FOR QUALITY
22 EDUCATION, AN L.A. NONPROFIT THAT ADVOCATES FOR HIGH-QUALITY
23 PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND HELPS FAMILIES ACCESS FREE RESOURCES AND
24 INFORMATION ONLINE. WHEN THE ICE RAIDS STARTED IN JUNE, OUR
25 TEAM MOBILIZED A CORE OF VOLUNTEERS TO BUY AND DELIVER FRESH-



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1 FOOD SUPPLIES TO FAMILIES IN NEED. SINCE THEN, WE'VE HELPED
2 MORE THAN 50 FAMILIES ON AN ONGOING BASIS, THE MAJORITY WITH
3 SMALL CHILDREN. THE LEVEL OF NEED IS SUCH THAT IT'S BEEN
4 HEARTBREAKING FOR ALL OF US TO WITNESS. WHILE ALL FAMILIES ARE
5 GRATEFUL FOR THE FOOD DELIVERED TO THEM, THEY ALWAYS ASK IF
6 THERE IS RENT RELIEF AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY ARE AFRAID OF
7 LOSING THEIR HOUSING. THESE HARDWORKING FAMILIES HAVE LOST
8 INCOME DUE TO ICE RAIDS THAT THREATEN TO CONTINUE. OUR
9 FAMILIES NEED ASSISTANCE NOW. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
10 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. WE URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE
11 YES NOW ON MOTION ERRP NUMBER 16. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **MARIA ELENA MERAZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, CHAIR.
16 MY NAME IS MARIA ELENA MERAZ. I WORK WITH PARENT ENGAGEMENT
17 ACADEMY, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING PARENTS AND
18 FAMILIES. I HAVE THE HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO SERVE MORE THAN
19 30,000 FAMILIES. AND I'M HERE AS A PART OF IRLA, IMMIGRANTS
20 ARE L.A. COALITION. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THANKS TO THIS ITEM,
21 NUMBER 16, WILL REALLY BENEFIT THE FAMILIES OF L.A.,
22 ESPECIALLY THE IMMIGRANT FAMILIES. FOR THAT REASON, I'M HERE.
23 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR YOUR EFFORT. AND I ASK YOU,
24 RESPECTIVELY, THAT ALL OF YOU PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 16,
25 THANK YOU.



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

3
4 **LUPE MARTINEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS LUPITA MARTINEZ,
5 POLICY ADVOCATE WITH CHIRLA. AND I FIRST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE
6 THAT THIS MORNING WE HAD OVER 200 COMMUNITY MEMBERS SHOW UP TO
7 SUPPORT THIS MOTION, AND UNFORTUNATELY HAD TO LEAVE TO GO PICK
8 UP THEIR CHILDREN, GO TO WORK, ET CETERA, BUT THEY WANTED US
9 TO EXTEND GRATITUDE TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND ALSO SUPERVISOR
10 SOLIS FOR BEING A CHAMPION FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. SO, AS I
11 STAND BEFORE YOU, WE HAVE OVER 200 FAMILIES ACROSS L.A. COUNTY
12 WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT, AND ALL OF
13 YOUR DISTRICT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT.
14 SO, BEFORE THIS MOTION, WE HAVE TALKED TO ALL THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS UPLIFTING THE NEEDS AROUND HOUSING. AND NOW THAT
16 THESE RAIDS ARE HAPPENING AND WILL CONTINUE TO TARGET ALL OF
17 YOUR DISTRICTS, WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO FIND
18 SOLUTIONS FOR RENT RELIEF. SO, ON SATURDAY I HAD THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH THE FAMILY, MY TIME'S UP, BUT I
20 SPOKE TO A LITTLE GIRL AND --

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

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24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** IF YOU GOT COMMENTS, I'M SORRY TO
25 INTERRUPT, THAT YOU WANT TO SUBMIT FOR THE RECORD, IF YOU'RE



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1 NOT ABLE TO FINISH, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO INCLUDE THEM AND
2 THEY'LL GET PROVIDED TO THE BOARD, ALL RIGHT? THANK YOU,
3 SORRY.

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5 **BYRON JOSE:** THANK YOU, CHAIR. BYRON JOSE, WHILE THE
6 TRANSLATINA COALITION AND RE-IMAGINE L.A. DEFINITELY UPLIFTS
7 AND CENTER IMMIGRANTS AS PART OF A CARE FIRST AND COMMUNITY
8 INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE UPHOLDING
9 MEASURE J, SPECIFICALLY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE PROCESS FOR
10 CFCI. SO HOW ARE WE ENSURING THAT, HOW CAN WE ALIGN THIS
11 MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE DIFFERENT NEEDS AND PRIORITIES ARE
12 BEING UPLIFTED, SPECIFICALLY AROUND MEASURE J. TO THE CHAIR'S
13 POINT, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE A PROGRAM THAT IS SUPERSCRIPTIVE.
14 WE'RE IN MAYBE JENNY, JESSE DATA, ZIP CODE. HOW DO WE FIGURE
15 OUT WHAT THE PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN THE CURRENT MOTION AS IT
16 STANDS? BUT AGAIN, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH EVERY
17 SINGLE BOARD OFFICE TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN HAVE THE GREATEST
18 IMPACT AND ALSO ALIGNING WITH NOT JUST CFCI FUNDS BUT ALSO
19 LACAHS WORK AND OTHER MEASURE 8 FUNDS. SO, THANK YOU, EVERY 1
20 OF YOU FOR AGAIN, YOUR ENGAGEMENT AND ALWAYS LISTENING TO OUR
21 EMAILS AND OUR ADVOCACY. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO MAKING SURE
22 THIS MOTION AND THIS WORK CONTINUE IN ADVANCE. THANK YOU.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **ROSA MIRANDA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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3 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD. MY NAME IS ROSA MIRANDA AND
4 I AM AN ORGANIZER WITH COLECTIVO PODER COMUNITARIO. I AM HERE
5 AS AN ORGANIZER NOW THAT I REPRESENT A LOT OF OUR L.A. COUNTY
6 PUBLIC VENDORS. AND AS YOU KNOW, THEY'VE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE
7 FIRES, AND NOW WITH ALL THESE RATES, THEY'RE VERY AFFECTED.
8 THEIR MAIN WORRY IS HOW AM I GOING TO PAY RENT? AND THEY'RE
9 GOING THROUGH EMOTIONAL CRISIS, DEPRESSION, PSYCHOLOGICAL
10 CRISIS, AND THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO DO. AND AS YOU KNOW,
11 THESE RAIDS HAVE KIDNAPPED, THEY'VE BEEN KIDNAPPED. THESE
12 MEMBERS HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED. AND NOW THEY'RE SO AFRAID, THEY
13 DON'T WANT TO SHARE EVEN THE TERROR THAT THEY'VE GONE THROUGH.
14 AND THEY'RE EXPOSING THEIR BODIES AND ALL THAT. AND I ASK ALL
15 OF YOU AS WOMEN, AS WOMEN PLEASE ADVOCATE FOR THESE SINGLE
16 WOMEN THAT ARE OUT THERE, THEY'RE NOT SURE TO GO SACRIFICE
17 THEMSELVES FOR THEIR FAMILY OR WHAT TO DO. AND I AM HERE IN
18 SUPPORT OF 16.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **LILIA DELGADO:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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24 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE. MY NAME IS LILIA
25 DELGADO. I'M HERE REPRESENTING OUR COFEM AND WE ARE PART OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE COALITION IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
2 SUPPORT WITH THE EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAM. TO PREVENT THESE
3 EVICTIONS AS WELL AS THE LACK OF LIVING. WITHOUT THIS
4 EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAM, THE VICTIMS OF THESE FIRES AND
5 IMMIGRANTS AND ALL OF THE TENANT WITH LOW RESOURCES. THEY ARE
6 RISKING OF BEING EVICTED AND BEING WITHOUT A HOME. AND ALL OF
7 THEM PROTECTION FOR TENANCIES THEY HAVE ALL HAVE EXPIRED BY
8 JULY AND FAMILIES WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO AFFORD IT. THESE
9 IMMIGRANT OPPORTUNITIES HAVE INCREASED THE FINANCIAL PRESSURE OF
10 THESE FAMILIES AND THEY HAVE LOST THEIR WAGES AS WELL, AS THEY
11 NEED SUPPORT, URGENT SUPPORT TO KEEP THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR
12 HOMES.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **YANEL MENGELLE:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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18 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS YANEL MANGELLE. I AM
19 HERE REPRESENTING COFEM AND ALL OF THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY. I
20 AM LIVING THESE RAIDS AND I AM LIVING IT MYSELF. MY HUSBAND IS
21 RETIRED AND BECAUSE I AM UNABLE TO WORK. WE CAN'T MAKE THE
22 RENT. I WAS HIS RIGHT-HAND MAN, PERSON TO CONTINUE TO WORK TO
23 HELP HIM OUT BUT BECAUSE I'M AN IMMIGRANT, I'M UNABLE TO DO
24 SO. AT THIS TIME HIS SAVINGS ARE DEPLETING SO IF YOU SUPPORT
25 ARTICLE 16, YOU WOULD HELP MY FAMILY AND MYSELF. I ASK YOU



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1 PLEASE, THERE ARE MANY IMMIGRANTS THAT NEED YOUR HELP. THANK
2 YOU AND MAY YOUR FAMILIES BE BLESSED.

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

5
6 **ANA CRUZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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8 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANA CRUZ. I AM
9 AN ORGANIZER FOR COLECTIVO PODER COMUNITARIO. OUR COMMUNITIES
10 NEED SUPPORT, LIKE THE SUPERVISOR FROM DISTRICT 5 IS DOING SO.
11 WE HAVE BEEN TERRORIZED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. IT'S
12 SADDENING TO LIVE DAY BY DAY IN FEAR. IT'S WORSE THAN COVID.
13 THE MEMBERS SAY WITH COVID I WAS ABLE TO DOUBLE MASK UP, I
14 WOULD BE ABLE TO WEAR GLOVES AND I'D BE ABLE TO GET OUT. NOW I
15 CAN'T GET OUT TO WORK. THEY CAN ARREST US. WE NEED SOMETHING
16 THAT CAN SUPPORT US FINANCIALLY. ALL OF THE TIME OUR
17 IMMIGRANTS SUPPORT THIS COUNTRY WITH THEIR TAXES. IT IS TIME
18 NOW THAT U.S. POLITICIANS SUPPORT OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES.
19 WE HAVE NOWHERE TO GO. WE ARE IN FEAR. WE ARE IN FEAR AND
20 TERROR. IT'S TIME THE U.S. SUPERVISORS LOOK AT OUR IMMIGRANT
21 COMMUNITIES THAT HAS BEEN THE SUPPORT FOR MANY YEARS, PAYING
22 TAXES TO THIS COUNTRY. WE NEED 16 TO BE APPROVED BY YOU. THANK
23 YOU.

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



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2 **MIGUEL COJON:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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4 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MIGUEL COJON AND I A MEMBER OF
5 COLECTIVO PODER COMUNITARIO. I COME HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO
6 SUPPORT ARTICLE 16 BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITIES NEED URGENTLY RENT
7 RELIEF. WE'VE LIVED IN MANY MOMENTS OF FEAR WITH THESE RATES.
8 OUR PEOPLE ARE IN FEAR. AND IT'S UNFAIR. WE'VE BEEN INVESTING
9 IN THIS COUNTRY FOR YEARS WITH OUR WORK AND WITH PAYING TAXES.
10 NONETHELESS, NOW WE'RE TREATED LIKE DELINQUENTS. THIS IS WHY
11 WE ASK FOR A RENT MORATORIUM URGENTLY. AND ALSO, TO PUT A HOLD
12 ON ALL OF THE EVICTIONS IN THE COURTS. IF WE DO NOT ACT IN
13 URGENCY, WE WOULD SEE A WAVE OF FAMILIES IN THE STREETS. WE
14 CANNOT ALLOW FOR CHILDREN, SENIORS, AND WORKERS TO LOSE THEIR
15 HOME. WE ASK WITH ALL THE RESPECT BUT ALSO WITH FIRMNESS THAT
16 YOU SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES AND THAT YOU VOTE YES ON 16. THANK
17 YOU.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
20 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ESMERALDA
21 NEGRETE, EVA GARCIA, LYDIA CATALAN, EVA GARCIA, FRANCISCO
22 RODRIGUEZ, DEOSIE REYES, RILEY BRINKHURST, ANNABEL LORETTA
23 LORAIN, ALEXIA RODITIS, EMILY FILKIN, SIERRA BENETTON, MIGUEL
24 TOHOM, CHICHI NAVARRO, YESENIA CUX, OSCAR ZARATE, AQUINA
25 SORIANO, CHRISTINA BOYER, DANIELLE WILLIAMS, KHALID HUDSON,



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1 AND JULIE MARKARIAN. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

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3 **GABRIELA ORONA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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5 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GABRIELA ORONA AND I
6 AM HERE FOR YOU TO SUPPORT THAT YOU VOTE YES ON 16. AS THE
7 STREET VENDORS OF EAST L.A., WE HAVE BEEN AFFECTED. FIRST
8 BECAUSE OF THE FIRES AND NOW BECAUSE OF THE RAIDS. US, AS
9 STREET VENDORS, WE'VE BEEN OUT WITHOUT WORK AND BEING OUT IN
10 THE STREETS FOR TWO MONTHS NOW IN FEAR WITH DEPRESSION AND
11 ALSO BECAUSE OF THE INSECURITIES FOR OUR FAMILIES. THIS IS WHY
12 I ASK THAT YOU VOTE YES ON 16. THIS WILL ALLEVIATE OUR RENT
13 AND ALSO PROTECT OUR FAMILIES. AND WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE
14 TOUCH YOUR HEARTS. WE ARE ALL IMMIGRANTS. WE'RE ALL WORKERS
15 GOING THROUGH THIS CHAOS. I HUMBLY ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SUPPORT
16 US. WE'RE ALL MOTHERS. AND WE ARE DISABLED. WE HAVE DISABLED
17 CHILDREN. I MYSELF AM DISABLED AND I GO OUT AND I HAVE TO HIDE
18 FROM IMMIGRATION BECAUSE REMEMBER THAT RENT DOESN'T --

19

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

21

22 **DIEGO MORALES:** HI MY NAME IS DIEGO MORALES WITH BUILDING
23 SKILLS PARTNERSHIP I'M SPEAKING TODAY FOR JANITORIAL WORKERS
24 WHO LOST THEIR JOB TO THE EATON AND PALISADES FIRES THESE ARE
25 WORKERS WHO LOST THEIR LOVED ONES TO COVID, WORKERS WHO HAD TO



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1 ADJUST TO THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE EMOTIONALLY AND
2 ECONOMICALLY, AND NOW THEY ARE FEELING THE IMPACT OF WILDFIRES
3 AND RAIDS. WHEN THE FIRES INITIALLY BROKE OUT, MANY WORKERS
4 SHARED THE LOSS OF HOPE, FEELING INVISIBLE, FEELING THERE'S NO
5 SUPPORT, BECAUSE FROM ONE DAY TO THE NEXT, THEY WERE NO LONGER
6 EMPLOYED WITH NO INFORMATION ON WHEN THEY WILL BE ABLE TO
7 RETURN TO WORK AND HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO RECUPERATE THOSE LOST
8 WAGES. WORKERS WENT FROM WORKING 40 HOURS A WEEK TO BEING
9 UNEMPLOYED FOR MONTHS, AND NOW MANY ON PART-TIME WORK. BECAUSE
10 OF THIS, MANY WORKERS ARE ON THE VERGE OF EVICTION, MANY
11 MAKING HEARTBREAKING DECISIONS, MANY DIFFICULT CHOICES ON WHAT
12 ESSENTIALS THEY CAN GO WITHOUT, MANY SHARING THEIR FINAL
13 NOTICES ON UTILITY BILLS AND OTHERS SHARING THEIR NOTICES OF
14 EVICTIONS WITH ME. I URGE YOU TO LISTEN TO THE COMMUNITY AND
15 TO PASS THE EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM TO ENSURE YOUR
16 JANITORIAL WORKERS STAY HOUSED. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **LORETTA LORAIN:** I'M MS. LORETTA LORAIN. I'M WITH THE CI,
21 WITH CI, WITH CI, WHAT IS IT? OH, WITH THE TRANSGENDER
22 COMMUNITY. I'VE ALWAYS LOOKED OUT FOR THE TRANSGENDER
23 COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE ALSO GOT WOMEN OF COLOR AND ALSO WOMEN,
24 YOUNG LADIES THAT THEY'RE IMMIGRANTS, THAT THEY'RE BEING
25 PICKED UP BY ICE AND THEY'RE DOING REAL BAD. BECAUSE PEOPLE, I



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1 UNDERSTAND, I FEEL FOR THEM TOO, BUT WE'RE ALWAYS LEFT IN THE
2 END BECAUSE OF DISCRIMINATION. BUT WE ALWAYS, ALWAYS, LINDSEY,
3 THANK YOU, AND MS. MITCHELL AND ALL OF Y'ALL. BUT ALSO, I
4 ALWAYS FEEL THAT WE ALWAYS GET THE LAST OF THE CAKE. WHY DO WE
5 ALWAYS GOT TO WAIT FOR THE PIE, LAST OF THE PIE? NO, WE ALWAYS
6 WANT TO BE INCLUDED TOO, BECAUSE WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.
7 WE'RE HUMAN BEINGS, WE'RE PEOPLE, WE'RE SOMEBODY'S CHILD,
8 WE'RE CHILDREN, WE'RE SOMEBODY'S FATHER, MOTHER, WHATEVER. BUT
9 WE'RE HERE. WE ALSO SHOULD BE INCLUDED, BECAUSE WE'RE NEVER
10 INCLUDED IN EQUALLY IN THINGS.

11

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

13

14 **JULIE MARKARIAN:** HI, MY NAME IS JULIE MARKARIAN, AND I
15 REPRESENT THE APARTMENT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA. WE
16 REPRESENT OVER 20,000 HOUSING PROVIDERS. WE ENCOURAGE THE
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PROVIDE RENT RELIEF TO THOSE WHO TRULY
18 NEED IT. STOP USING TAX DOLLARS TO PAY FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES
19 INSTEAD HELP RENTERS WHO ARE TRULY IN NEED. STOP WITH RENT
20 FREEZES AND RENT CONTROL. IT DOES THE OPPOSITE OF HELPING LOW-
21 INCOME RENTERS. YOU ARE SILENT ABOUT L.A. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS
22 AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WHO EARN OVER \$244,000 A YEAR AND LIVE
23 IN RENT-CONTROLLED AREAS. THIS IS HYPOCRITICAL AND AN
24 INJUSTICE TO THE VERY PEOPLE YOU CLAIM TO WANT TO HELP. SMALL
25 HOUSING PROVIDERS CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE, WORK WITH THEM, NOT



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1 AGAINST THEM. WE ARE THE ONES WHO PROVIDE HOUSING, NOT YOU.

2 THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MAYA DANIELS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MAYA
7 DANIELS. MY PRONOUNS ARE THEY, THEM. I HELP IN REPRESENTING
8 THE TRANSATINA COALITION WITHIN THE IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES
9 COALITION. FEDERAL IMMIGRATION CRACKDOWNS ARE ONLY INCREASING
10 FINANCIAL STRAIN. FAMILIES WHO'VE LOST INCOME DUE TO RAIDS
11 NEED URGENT SUPPORT TO STAY SAFE AND TO STAY HOUSED. WE KNOW
12 THAT RENT RELIEF WORKS. DURING COVID-19, L.A. COUNTY
13 DISTRIBUTED OVER \$80,000,000 IN RENT AND RENT RELIEF. WE NEED
14 THAT SAME URGENCY NOW. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ALSO RESPECT THE
15 COMMUNITY-LED PROCESS AROUND COUNTY FUNDING DECISIONS, AND WE
16 BELIEVE THAT THE VOICES OF COMMUNITY MUST BE CENTERED IN ORDER
17 TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. WE MUST ENSURE
18 RENTAL RELIEF FOR ALL IS PERMANENT, FLEXIBLE, AND ABLE TO
19 EXPAND AS MORE HOUSEHOLDS FALL INTO CRISIS. THANK YOU.

20

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

22

23 **KHALID HUDSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AGAIN, MY NAME IS KHALID
24 HUDSON. I'M THE ADVOCACY MANAGER FOR CARE-L.A. AND I LIVE IN
25 DISTRICT NUMBER 2. AS A YOUTH, AT LEAST TWO POINTS IN TIME AS



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1 A CHILD, I WAS HOMELESS. MY FAMILY, UNFORTUNATELY WE LOST
2 INCOME DUE TO THE INDUSTRIES, THE DEFENSE INDUSTRIES LEAVING
3 THE STATE. AND SO, WE HAD TO MOVE OVER WITH MY GRANDPARENTS.
4 AND SO, I KNOW A LITTLE THING OR TWO ABOUT THE IMPACT OF
5 HOUSING INSECURITY AND ALSO THE IMPACT OF A DRASTIC LOSS OF
6 INCOME. AND SO MANY WITHIN OUR FAMILY, MANY WITHIN THE
7 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY FACE THIS VERY SAME
8 REALITY DUE TO THE LOSS OF INCOMES AND THREATS TO THEIR HOMES
9 AND EVEN FEAR. HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT, AND I URGE YOU TO
10 VOTE YES ON ITEM NUMBER 16 AND WORK CLOSELY WITH COMMUNITY-
11 BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE ON THE FRONT LINES OF FILLING IN
12 THE GAPS WHEN THERE'S DRASTIC NEEDS LIKE THIS. THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **DANIELLE WILLIAMS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS DANIELLE
17 WILLIAMS. I LIVE IN THE BEVERLY GROVE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE CITY
18 OF L.A. AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S DISTRICT. I'M A MEMBER OF
19 L.A. FORD, AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A.
20 COALITION AND THEIR SUPPORT OF ITEM 16. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AS
21 YOUR CONSTITUENT, IT MEANS A LOT TO ME. I GREATLY APPRECIATE
22 YOU BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD. HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT.
23 MIGRATION IS A HUMAN RIGHT. AND SANCTUARY HAS TO MEAN MORE
24 THAN SIMPLY NOT ACTIVELY ABETTING DEPORTATIONS. SANTUARY HAS
25 TO MEAN PROTECTING OUR UNDOCUMENTED NEIGHBORS WITH ALL THE



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1 TOOLS AT OUR DISPOSEL INCLUDING RENT RELIEF. I WANT TO
2 ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CFCI AND RESPECTING
3 COMMUNITY PROCESSES BUT OUR COUNTY IS UNDER SIEGE AND WE HAVE
4 A MORAL OBLIGATION TO MEET THIS MOMENT. NEGLECTING TO PROVIDE
5 RENT RELIEF WILL ONLY MAKE THOSE OF OUR NEIGHBORS WHO ARE
6 ALREADY AT RISK OF KIDNAPPING AND DEPORTATION MORE VULNERABLE.
7 I URGE YOU STRONGLY TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 16 AND WORK CLOSELY
8 WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS.

9

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

11

12 **AQUI SORIANO VERSOZA:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AKI
13 SORIANO VERSOZA. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PILIPINO
14 WORKERS CENTER. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION. WE ARE
15 HERE BECAUSE THIS MOTION IS NEEDED BECAUSE WE ARE FIGHTING
16 ICE, WE ARE SUING THEM, BUT WE NEED HELP TO SUPPORT THESE
17 FAMILIES. AND WE WERE HERE OUT OF THAT REAL CRISIS. THIS
18 MOTION IS URGENTLY NEEDED, AND AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE
19 ACKNOWLEDGING THAT COMMUNITY, ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY PROCESSES
20 NEED TO BE PROTECTED. ALSO, BLACK COMMUNITIES AND THE DIVERSE
21 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES THAT SPAN THROUGH ALL OF
22 OUR COMMUNITIES ARE IMPACTED. WE SHARE THESE COMMON ISSUES AND
23 WE ARE STANDING STRONG TOGETHER. WE ARE REACHING OUT TO ALL OF
24 THE COALITIONS AND PUSHING FOR PROCESSES THAT SERVE ALL OF US
25 WITH DIGNITY. WE CALL --



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
3 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DEREK STEELE,
4 VLAD CARRASCO, RUBEN RODRIGUEZ, MANUEL MERA, ANGELINA MARISCO,
5 ROGELIO TABAREZ, SYLVIA PERALTA, ANTONIA DOMINGUEZ, CESAR
6 JACOBO, MEGYBET MENDEZ, BERTHA GONZALEZ, PALOMA BUSTOS, ANNA
7 ESTRADA. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

8

9 **ALEXI RODITIS:** HELLO BOARD, MY NAME IS ALEXI RODITIS, I'M 25,
10 I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1, AND I'M A MEMBER OF UNITED
11 MUSICIANS AND ALLIED WORKERS, AND ALSO A MEMBER OF THE RENT
12 BRIGADE. I'VE ALSO BEEN DOING ICE PATROLS FOR THE LAST COUPLE
13 MONTHS, AND IT'S DIRE OUT THERE. RENT WAS DUE YESTERDAY, AND
14 PEOPLE NEED SUPPORT NOW. I URGE THE BOARD TO IMPLEMENT THE
15 EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM, GIVEN THE INSANE AND UNJUST
16 CIRCUMSTANCES PLAGUING THIS CITY, AND TO SET AN EXAMPLE FOR
17 THE REST OF THE COUNTRY, BECAUSE L.A. IS A TESTING GROUND.
18 THERE HAVE BEEN TWO PRESENTATIONS TODAY ON HOMELESSNESS, AND
19 IF SOME SORT OF RENT RELIEF ISN'T IMPLEMENTED SOON, A BAD
20 SITUATION WILL BECOME CATASTROPHIC. EARLIER THIS YEAR, PEOPLE
21 LOST THEIR HOMES AND FIRES AND WERE FACED WITH EXORBITANTLY
22 PRICED HOUSING AND LATER WITH FEDERALLY FUNDED XENOPHOBIA
23 DEPLOYED INTO THE HOMES AND HOME DEPOTS OF L.A. THE SAME
24 PEOPLE WHO LITERALLY, PHYSICALLY BUILT AND CONTINUE TO TEND TO
25 THIS CITY ARE DISAPPEARING IN FRONT OF OUR VERY EYES BECAUSE



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1 THEY HAVE NO CHOICE. I URGE YOU TO PASS THIS MOTION.

2

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

4

5 **SIERRA BENETTON:** HELLO BOARD, MY NAME IS SIERRA BENETTON. RENT
6 WAS DUE YESTERDAY, WE NEED RENT RELIEF NOW. I'M A WILDLIFE
7 MONITOR ON CONSTRUCTION SITES. OUR CREWS ARE MAJORITY
8 IMMIGRANTS AND THEY ARE TERRIFIED TO GO TO WORK. CREW MEMBERS
9 WILL SHOW UP ONE DAY AND THE NEXT THEY ARE GONE. LEAVING THEIR
10 FAMILIES UNABLE TO PAY RENT, LET ALONE ALL OF THE OTHER COSTS
11 OF LIVING. THESE CREWS ARE ESSENTIAL TO REBUILDING AFTER
12 FIRES. IMMIGRANT RENT RELIEF IS FIRE VICTIM RENT RELIEF.
13 PLEASE DO NOT MOVE THIS MOTION. PLEASE APPROVE MEASURE 16.
14 THANK YOU.

15

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

17

18 **YESSSENIA CUX:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS YESSSENIA CUX WITH
19 COFEM, THE COUNCIL OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS. WE ARE PART OF THE
20 IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION, AND TODAY I STAND IN SUPPORT OF
21 EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. AS I HAVE MENTIONED BEFORE, MY
22 MOM IS A SINGLE PARENT WHO'S RAISING MY TWO YOUNGER SIBLINGS.
23 MY SISTER IS ALREADY IN COLLEGE. MY BROTHER IS ABOUT TO GO TO
24 COLLEGE. AND SHE'S A FLOWER STREET VENDOR. SHE GOES OUT EVERY
25 DAY TO SELL FLOWERS ON SOUTHERN STREET AND OLYMPIC TO EARN A



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1 LIVING. WITH THE RAIDS HAPPENING AND TARGETING OUR COMMUNITIES
2 AT HOME DEPOTS, CAR WASHES, AND STREET VENDING, SHE CANNOT
3 TAKE A DAY OFF. THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY. AND SHE DOESN'T
4 QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL OR RENTAL ASSISTANCE DESPITE PAYING HER
5 TAXES EVERY YEAR. DURING THE RECENT FIRES, ONE OF OUR FAMILY
6 MEMBERS ALSO LOST HER JOB AND WE NEED SUPPORT. WE ALSO ASKED
7 THE BOARD TO PASS THIS MOTION TO RESTORE FULL COMMUNITY
8 CONTROL OF THE CFCI DOLLARS AND CONSIDER --

9

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

11

12 **RUBEN RODRIGUEZ:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MY NAME IS RUBEN
13 RODRIGUEZ AND I'M EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PUEBLO SALUD, AN
14 ORGANIZATION IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. OUR PRIMARY
15 MISSION IS DRUG, TOBACCO, AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION. BUT
16 I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHEAST VALLEY CRISIS RESPONSE
17 GROUP THAT FORMED ABOUT TWO, THREE MONTHS AGO WHEN THE RAID
18 STARTED IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THERE'S A GROUP
19 OF ABOUT 40, 50 PEOPLE THERE ARE MEETING EVERY TUESDAY TRYING
20 TO FIGURE OUT WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO TO HELP EACH OTHER MORE
21 THAN ANYTHING. SO, WE'RE HERE, I'M HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF
22 THE EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM TO PREVENT EVICTION AND
23 HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR INTRODUCING
24 THE MOTION. TIME IS OF ESSENCE. WE NEED HELP NOW. WE HAD ONE
25 MOTHER HAVE AN EMOTIONAL BREAKDOWN BECAUSE WHEN SHE SAID,



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1 LET'S PLAN TO LEAVE TO MEXICO, WHAT WILL WE DO? HE SAID, I
2 WILL COMMIT SUICIDE. WE HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS HERE
3 THAT'S BEING CREATED BY THE GOVERNMENT. SO PLEASE--

4

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

6

7 **ANGELINA MARISCAL:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ANGELINA MARISCAL. I AM
8 THE SUPERVISING ATTORNEY AT AMIGO. WE PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES
9 FOR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND ALSO TO
10 THE WILDFIRE VICTIMS. WE WEAR BOOTS ON THE GROUND WITH LITTLE
11 FUNDING, AND I'M HERE TO TELL YOU THAT WE ARE UNDER ATTACK.
12 YOU CANNOT SAY IMMIGRANT WITHOUT WILDFIRE VICTIMS. IT'S ONE IN
13 THE SAME. WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME. SO, TO PASS THIS MOTION IS A
14 PROACTIVE MOTION ON BEHALF OF EACH AND EVERY SUPERVISOR HERE.
15 AND SINCE JULY, THERE HAS BEEN 32 EVICTION NOTICES THAT HAVE
16 BEEN SERVED. THIS WOULD ALSO HELP OUR GOVERNMENT, OUR JUDGES.
17 THERE'S ONLY, I BELIEVE, 541 JUDGES IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. SO,
18 THIS WOULD BE A RELIEF. THIS WOULD HELP PEOPLE RIGHT NOW WHO
19 ARE FACED WITH LEGAL DEFENSES FOR WILDFIRES BECAUSE THEY
20 DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH INSURANCE TO REBUILD. THIS WOULD HELP
21 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES WHO ARE FACED WITH LEGAL DEFENSE FUNDING,
22 WHICH IS SKYROCKETED. IT'S ALMOST \$15,000 TO DEFEND SOMEBODY.
23 SO, THEY NEED THIS. WE HAVE STUDENTS GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, WE
24 HAVE MOTHERS. SO, LET'S BE PROACTIVE. THEY JUST NEED A LITTLE
25 PUSH. SO, --



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

3

4 **MANUEL MERA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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6 **INTERPRETER:** SO, MY NAME IS MANUEL MERA, AND I AM HERE TO
7 SUPPORT ARTICLE 16 IN THIS CURRENT CRISIS THAT WE HAVE WITH
8 LIVING AND A LOT OF PEOPLE, A LOT OF FAMILIES ARE LOSING THEIR
9 HOMES. MANY CAN'T EVEN PAY THEIR OWN VEHICLES. AND WELL, IF
10 THIS CONTINUES, I MEAN, MANY FAMILIES ARE GOING TO SUFFER AND
11 NOT MUCH IS GOING TO BE RESOLVED IF YOU DO NOT APPROVE 16. SO,
12 WE DO ASK, WE'RE HERE TO ASK TO PLEASE SUPPORT 16. THANK YOU.

13

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

15

16 **MAGYBET MENDEZ:** HOW MANY MORE GOFUNDME'S DO WE HAVE TO
17 WITNESS? HOW MANY MORE VIOLATIONS OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS
18 BEFORE L.A. STEPS IN? MY NAME IS MAGYBET MENDEZ. I'M THE
19 FOUNDER OF IMMIGO. IMMIGO SERVES, PROVIDES EDUCATION AND
20 RESOURCES TO IMMIGRANT FAMILIES. I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM
21 16 WITH RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND REPRESENT HUNDREDS OF OUR
22 FAMILIES WHO AREN'T ABLE TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS BECAUSE THEY
23 ALWAYS HAVE TO WORK. AFTER WITNESSING FAMILIES DURING
24 EMERGENCIES LIKE THE FIRES AND NOW ICE RAIDS, A TIME WHEN
25 FAMILIES CANNOT SAY GOODBYE. NOW THEY'RE DETAINED, WORRIED



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1 ABOUT THE SURVIVAL BECAUSE THEY WERE THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD. WE
2 NEED YOUR HELP. YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THE RIGHT
3 THING. WE MUST TAKE ACTION AND WE FULLY SUPPORT THIS RELIEF.
4 THANK YOU.

5

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

7

8 **INTERPRETER:** INTERPRETER WILL CITE REID FOR OUR PUBLIC COMMENT
9 FROM MS. ISABEL ACOSTA. GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ISABEL
10 ACOSTA. WE ARE ONE OF THE FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE FIRE IN
11 PALISADES, WHERE WE LOST OUR JOBS, AND I SUPPORT THE RENTAL
12 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. I AM AT THE RISK OF LOSING MY APARTMENT,
13 WHERE I LIVE, FOR LACK OF INCOME. THIS PROGRAM WOULD HELP ME
14 FINANCIALLY AND SECURING MY APARTMENT. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING
15 BOARD MEMBERS FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART I ASK THAT YOU
16 SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM BLESSINGS.

17

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

19

20 **SUHEY ARIAS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SUHEY ARIAS I'M HERE ON BEHALF
21 OF BOSSES UNIDAS AND PACOIMA AND I'M HERE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT
22 THE EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. WE HEAR DIRECTLY FROM
23 FAMILIES WHO ARE REALLY RECOVERING FROM THE FINANCIAL STRAIN
24 OF THE WILDFIRES EARLIER THIS YEAR AND FACING SUDDEN INCOME
25 LOSS BECAUSE OF IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT. THESE ARE PARENTS,



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1 GRANDPARENTS, AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING EVERYTHING THEY
2 CAN TO SURVIVE. BUT WITHOUT RENT RELIEF, THEY'RE AT RISK OF
3 EVICTION AND HOMELESSNESS. HERE WE ARE IN 2025, AND IT FEELS
4 LIKE WE'VE BEEN, WE'VE GONE BACKWARDS IN TIME. FAMILIES
5 IMPACTED ARE NOW CHOOSING BETWEEN RENT AND GROCERIES. THIS
6 ISN'T JUST A POLICY, IT'S SURVIVAL. RENT RELIEF KEEPS KIDS IN
7 THEIR HOMES, HELPS SMALL LANDLORDS BRING AFFORDABLE UNITS BACK
8 ONLINE AND PREVENTS ENTIRE COMMUNITIES FROM BEING DISPLACED.
9 THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **DEREK STEELE:** DEREK STEELE. I WANT TO BE CLEAR. CFCI IS NOT A
14 SLUSH FUND. MEASURE J IS NOT A SUGGESTION. IT'S A VOTER
15 MANDATE. YET TODAY'S MOTION ONCE AGAIN PUTS US IN AN
16 IMPOSSIBLE POSITION. CHOOSE BETWEEN URGENTLY NEEDED IMMIGRANT
17 RENTAL RELIEF AND PROTECTING THE INTEGRITY OF ONE OF THE ONLY
18 COMMUNITY-LED BUDGET PROCESSES WE FOUGHT HARD TO BUILD. IT'S A
19 FALSE CHOICE AND WE SHOULDN'T BE FORCED TO MAKE IT. WE SUPPORT
20 RELIEF, WE SUPPORT EQUITY, BUT THIS MOTION GIVES UNCHECKED
21 POWER TO DEPARTMENTS WITH NO PUBLIC CRITERIA AND NO GUARDRAILS
22 TO ENSURE THE MOST IMPACTED COMMUNITIES ARE ACTUALLY
23 PRIORITIZED. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WHETHER INTENTIONAL OR NOT,
24 MOTIONS LIKE THIS ARE DIVIDING COALITIONS AND UNDERMINING
25 SOLIDARITY MOVEMENTS. WE NEED TRANSPARENCY, NOT TENSION,



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1 EQUITY, NOT CONFUSION, AND WE NEED TIME TO MAKE SURE URGENT
2 RELIEF AND COMMUNITY VOICES ARE NOT TREATED AS OPPOSITES. TIME
3 THAT WE TOOK TO MAKE THE TIER 1 \$219,000,000 REALLOCATION
4 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT INCLUDED ALL OF THIS. THAT'S WHY WE
5 SUPPORT THE BARGER HAHN AMENDMENT TO SEND THE ITEM BACK TO
6 CLUSTER. THE BOARD MEMBERS INSIST ON GOING AROUND THE CFCI
7 ADVISOR COMMITTEE, AT LEAST WE CAN DO IS MAKE SURE THAT IT'S
8 MOVED - -

9

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

11

12 **VLAD CARRASCO:** SALUDOS, MI GENTE. MY NAME IS VLAD CARRASCO.
13 I'M THE CLIMATE JUSTICE DIRECTOR WITH CHIRLA AND I'M A
14 CONSTITUENT OF SD2 WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AND I WANT TO ASK
15 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, TO SUPPORT ITEM
16 16, BECAUSE AS WE SIT HERE, BOTH IN ACADIA AND PARAMOUNT,
17 WHICH ARE IN YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, ICE HAS KIDNAPPED
18 WORKERS WHO WERE AT A CAR WASH AND AT A HOME DEPOT. RIGHT NOW,
19 THOSE KIDS, THOSE PARENTS HAVE GONE MISSING SO WHEN THE KIDS
20 GET OUT OF SCHOOL THEY'RE GOING TO BE WONDERING WHERE THEIR
21 PARENTS ARE. THIS ITEM 16 IS A CONCRETE STEP THAT YOU CAN TAKE
22 TO SUPPORT THOSE FAMILIES. AS THE CLIMATE JUSTICE DIRECTOR FOR
23 CHIRLA, WORKING WITH 1,400 FIRE SURVIVOR HOUSEHOLDS, AND OVER
24 90% OF THEM ARE STILL WONDERING WHERE THEIR LONG-TERM HOUSING
25 IS GOING TO COME FROM. SEPTEMBER 1ST WAS YESTERDAY. WE NEED



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1 ASSISTANCE, RENT RELIEF NOW.

2

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

4

5 **CARLOS AMADOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
6 IS CARLOS AMADOR. WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKER CENTER, OUR
7 ORGANIZATION IS LOCATED IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 2, WHILE WE
8 HAVE MEMBERS ALL OVER THE COUNTY. BUT JUST AS THE PREVIOUS
9 SPEAKERS SHARED, WE HAVE BEEN RESPONDING TO THE CAR WASH
10 RAIDS. OVER 70 RAIDS HAVE HAPPENED AT CAR WASHES IN THE LAST
11 ALMOST THREE MONTHS. SEVERAL CAR WASHES HIT MULTIPLE TIMES
12 WITH OVER 200 CAR WASH WORKERS BEING DISAPPEARED, KIDNAPPED,
13 AND MANY OF THEM ALREADY DEPORTED. SO, WE NEED THE SUPPORT FOR
14 RENT RELIEF NOW. I ASK YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM 16 TO BE
15 ABLE TO ENSURE THAT WE SUPPORT THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN
16 IMPACTED. WE HAVE BEEN RESPONDING TO THIS CAR WASHES ALL OVER
17 THE COUNTY BUT MANY OF THEM FALLING IN THE SUPERVISORY
18 DISTRICT 4, SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 2, 3 AND 1 AS WELL. SO, I ASK
19 YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM 16 SO WE CAN PROVIDE THIS RELIEF
20 FOR OUR FAMILIES THAT ARE VERY MUCH IN NEED. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **ARIANA CINTO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, TO ALL OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 MY NAME IS ARIANA CINTO FROM PILIPINO WORKERS CENTER, AND I AM



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1 REPRESENTING OUR COMMUNITY OF CAREGIVERS. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN
2 STRONG SUPPORT FOR EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAM TO PREVENT
3 EVICTIONS AND HOMELESSNESS. I KNOW MOST OF OUR CAREGIVERS
4 SINCE JANUARY 2025 LOST JOB AND OF COURSE LOSING JOB MEANS,
5 ALSO NOT ABLE TO PAY RENT. THAT'S WHY THEY ARE ALSO FACING
6 EVICTIONS WITHOUT RENT RELIEF AND ALSO THEY BECAME A VICTIM OF
7 WILDFIRE. SO, IMMIGRANT AND LOW-INCOME TENANTS LIKE US ARE AT
8 RISK OF EVICTION AND HOMELESSNESS. TEMPORARY WILDFIRE
9 PROTECTION EXPIRED IN JULY AND FAMILIES CANNOT WAIT. I HOPE
10 YOU WILL SUPPORT --

11

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

13

14 **ROSEMARY RUIZ:** MY NAME IS ROSEMARY RUIZ. I'M HERE TO STRONGLY
15 SUPPORT ITEM 16. BETWEEN ONGOING IMMIGRATION RAIDS BEING
16 VIOLENTLY INFLICTED ON OUR COMMUNITIES AND RISING RENTS, IT'S
17 BECOMING IMPOSSIBLE FOR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES TO KEEP ROOFS OVER
18 THEIR HEADS. A RENT FREEZE IS NOT JUST RELIEF, IT IS JUSTICE
19 FOR ANGELENOS. WITHOUT IT, WE'RE FORCING PEOPLE TO CHOOSE
20 BETWEEN THEIR BASIC NEEDS AND SAFETY. NO FAMILY SHOULD BE
21 PUSHED OUT OF THEIR COMMUNITY WHEN THEY HAVE TO PUT THEIR
22 ENTIRE LIVELIHOOD ON THE LINE EVERY TIME THEY LEAVE THEIR
23 HOMES BY STEPPING OUT INTO A CITY FACING VIOLENT ATTACKS BY
24 FEDERAL AGENCIES LIKE ICE. MANY OF MY OWN LOVED ONES AND THEIR
25 FAMILIES ARE AFRAID TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES DUE TO THE FEAR OF



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1 NOT MAKING IT BACK THAT SAME DAY. PEOPLE TRYING TO BETTER
2 THEIR COMMUNITIES AND SIMPLY MAKING A LIVING SHOULD NOT BE
3 PUNISHED WITH THE LOSS OF SHELTER FOR EXISTING WITHIN A
4 GOVERNMENT THAT TREATS THEM INHUMANELY UNDER ILLEGAL
5 KIDNAPPINGS. WE'VE WITNESSED AN ENTIRE SUMMER OF VIOLENT RAIDS
6 AND THIS MOTION IS NEEDED WITHOUT DELAY. VOTING YES ON THIS
7 RENT FREEZE WOULD SHOW OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY THAT OUR
8 GOVERNMENT, THE CITY OF L.A., CARES ABOUT THEM AND WILL ACT
9 LIKE IT.

10

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

12

13 **HADIR AZAB:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS HADIR AZAB AND I'M THE
14 POLICY COORDINATOR WITH CARE-L.A., ALSO PART OF THE IMMIGRANTS
15 ARE L.A. COALITION. AND WE'RE HERE TO STAND IN STRONG SUPPORT
16 OF ITEM 16. WE KNOW THAT FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITIES ARE BEING
17 DISPLACED NOT ONLY BY THE WILDFIRES BUT BY JOB LOSS, RISING
18 RENTS AND AGGRESSIVE IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AND WITHOUT THE
19 SUPPORT OF THE MOTION THEY FACE EVICTION AND HOMELESSNESS AND
20 AS MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE STATED IT'S SEPTEMBER 2ND RENT
21 IS DUE AND THEY WITH EVERY MONTH AND WITH EVERY WEEK THAT
22 PASSES, THESE COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE AT HIGHER RISK FOR
23 HOMELESSNESS. THIS MOTION IS A GREAT FIRST STEP AND OUR
24 SYSTEMS MUST CONTINUE TO GROW TO MATCH THE SCALE OF OUR
25 VALUES. BLACK AND DIVERSE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES OF L.A. SHARE



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1 COMMON ISSUES AND WE ARE STANDING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY BY
2 PUSHING FOR PROCESSES THAT SERVICE ALL WITH DIGNITY. HOWEVER,
3 HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT AND OVER 200 PEOPLE WERE HERE EARLIER
4 GIVEN THE LONG LENGTH OF THE DAY IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 16 AND I
5 THINK I CAN SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THEM WHEN I SAY THAT WE
6 STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON THIS WITHOUT DELAY. THANK
7 YOU.

8

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

10

11 **ANA KAREN ESTRADA:** GOOD EVENING, MY NAME IS ANA KAREN ESTRADA
12 AND I AM FROM THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, A CONSTITUENT OF COUNTY
13 SUPERVISOR, LINDSEY HORVATH. I AM A PROUD DAUGHTER OF
14 IMMIGRANTS AND I'M HERE WITH IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES. I
15 STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 16 WITHOUT A WILDFIRE VICTIMS,
16 IMMIGRANTS AND LOW-INCOME TENANTS ARE AT RISK OF LOSING THEIR
17 HOMES. EARLIER THIS YEAR COMMUNITIES WERE IMPACTED BY THE
18 PALISADES FIRES, MANY LOST JOBS AND INCOME, MANY LEFT PAYCHECK
19 TO PAYCHECK AND ARE NOW ON THE BRINK OF EVICTION OR UNHOUSED.
20 IN MY OWN COMMUNITY, I'VE WITNESSED RAIDS IN RESEDA IN THE
21 NORTHEAST VALLEY, STREET VENDORS AND SMALL BUSINESSES ARE
22 AFRAID TO OPEN, STUDENTS WORRY IF THEY'LL SEE THEIR PARENTS
23 AGAIN, AND TOO MANY ARE FORCED TO WORK OR TAKE OVER THEIR
24 FAMILY'S BUSINESSES. IT IS HORRIFIC AND IT DEEPENS DISPARITIES
25 FACING COMMUNITIES ALREADY GIVES SO MUCH TO OUR COUNTRY. RENT



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1 RELIEF WORKS. DURING COVID-19, THE COUNTY KEPT THOUSANDS
2 HOUSED WITH OVER \$80,000,000 AND WE NEED THAT URGENCY AGAIN
3 WITH A PROGRAM THAT IS PERMANENT, FLEXIBLE, AND RESPONSIVE.
4 THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **ANTONIO DOMINGUEZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

9
10 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANTONIO DOMINGUEZ FROM
11 CLEAN AND I'M PART OF THE COALITION IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. I AM
12 HERE IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE 16 FOR THE EMERGENCY RELIEF RENTAL
13 PROGRAM. OUR FAMILIES ARE BEING AFFECTED, OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
14 BEING AFFECTED NOT JUST BECAUSE OF THESE DISPLACEMENTS, BUT
15 ALSO FOR THE FIRES AND ALSO FOR THE LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT. AND
16 ALSO, THE INCREASE IN RENT AND ALSO THIS IMMIGRATION LOSS.
17 WITHOUT ANY SUPPORT, THEY WILL BE FACING EVICTION. THIS
18 PROGRAM WILL HELP TO KEEP FAMILIES IN THEIR HOMES AS WELL AS
19 HELPING THESE SMALL LANDLORDS TO FIX THESE ACCESSIBLE HOMES.
20 THE IMMIGRANTS OF L.A. ARE ALSO WILLING TO HELP THESE FAMILIES
21 TO BE AWARE OF ALL OF THESE RESOURCES SO THAT THEY CAN LET
22 THESE FAMILIES KNOW. HAVING A HOME IS A HUMAN RIGHT AND I DO
23 ASK THAT YOU VOTE YES

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



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2 **BERTHA GONZALEZ:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BERTHA
3 GONZALEZ. I'M THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH
4 WORKER CENTER AND A PART OF THE IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. COALITION.
5 I'M HERE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 16, THE EMERGENCY RENT
6 RELIEF PROGRAM. THIS IS A LIFELINE FOR FAMILIES BEING
7 DISPLACED, NOT JUST BY FIRES OR JOB LOSS, BUT BY THE
8 AGGRESSIVE IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT. I WORK WITH CAR WASH
9 WORKERS FACING LOW WAGES, WAGE THEFT EXPOSURES TO HARSH
10 CHEMICALS, AND NOW THE FEAR OF GOING TO WORK AND ICE SHOWING
11 UP AT THEIR WORKPLACE. SINCE JUNE 8TH, OVER 200 WORKERS HAVE
12 BEEN TAKEN IN RAIDS AND LEAVING 200 FAMILIES WITHOUT INCOME
13 AND AT RISK OF EVICTION. WE ALSO WANT TO UPLIFT THE IMPORTANCE
14 OF CFCI. THIS MOTION REFLECTS THOSE VALUES, BUT WE NEED TO GO
15 FURTHER. BUDGETS AND PROGRAMS MUST CONTINUE TO GROW TO TRULY
16 MEET THE SCALE OF COMMUNITY NEEDS, ESPECIALLY IN BLACK AND
17 IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORHOODS. IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. IS READY TO
18 PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY TO ENSURE OUTREACH IS CULTURALLY AND
19 LINGUISTICALLY --

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

22

23 **LORENA ACEVES:** LORENA ACEVES, GOOD AFTERNOON MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING YOU FOR YOUR
25 TIME OR DEDICATION TO OUR COMMUNITIES. MY NAME IS LORENA



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1 ACEVES AND I'M THE FOUNDER OF IGNITE THE LIGHT AT HOPE
2 FOUNDATION. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS OUR STRONG SUPPORT
3 FOR THE PROPOSED IMMIGRATION RENT RELIEF PROGRAM. OUR
4 ORGANIZATION WORKS DIRECTLY WITH IMMIGRATION FAMILIES WHO ARE
5 STRUGGLING TO MEET THEIR MOST BASIC NEEDS. AND WE BELIEVE THIS
6 MOTION IS CRITICAL. IT WILL HELP ALLEVIATE THE IMMENSE STRESS,
7 DEPRESSION, AND ANXIETY SO MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE
8 EXPERIENCING. PASSING THIS PROGRAM WILL NOT ONLY PROVIDE
9 ESSENTIAL SUPPORT, BUT ALSO UPLIFT SPIRITS, BRING MUCH NEEDED
10 HOPE TO THOSE WHO FEEL THEY HAVE NONE LEFT. PLEASE VOTE YES ON
11 ITEM 16. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **PALOMA BUSTOS:** HI, MY NAME IS PALOMA BUSTOS WITH THE SUNITA
16 JAIN ANTI-TRAFFICKING INITIATIVE AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL. WE
17 ADVOCATE FOR POLICIES TO PREVENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND I'M
18 HERE TO SPEAK ON SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 16. AFTER THE
19 WILDFIRES, IMMIGRANT WORKERS HAVE BEEN ESSENTIAL IN HELPING TO
20 CLEAN UP AND REBUILD OUR COMMUNITIES. THEY HAVE BEEN OUT THERE
21 IN CONSTRUCTION, CLEANING DEBRIS, AND DOING THE DIFFICULTY
22 RECOVERY THAT ALLOWS FAMILIES TO BEGIN HEALING. BUT IT'S ALSO
23 IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT LONG BEFORE THE FIRES, THESE SAME
24 WORKERS WERE ESSENTIAL. THEY MAINTAINED OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND
25 CONTRIBUTED EVERY DAY TO THE WELL-BEING OF LOS ANGELES. NOW



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1 MANY OF THEM ARE STRUGGLING TO PAY RENT, NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF
2 WILDFIRES, BUT THEY ARE ALSO AFRAID TO SHOW UP TO WORK BECAUSE
3 OF ICE RATES. RENT RELIEF IS A LIFELINE. IT WILL KEEP FAMILIES
4 IN THEIR HOME, PREVENT PEOPLE FROM BEING EXPLOITED, OR TRAFFIC
5 BY THOSE WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEIR HARDSHIP, AND MAKE SURE
6 THAT EVERY WORKER WHO HAVE ALWAYS HELPED TO KEEP THIS COUNTRY
7 RUNNING ARE NOT LEFT BEHIND. THANK YOU.

8

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

10

11 **CESAR JACOBO:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

12

13 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CESAR FROM
14 CLEAN AND I'M PART OF THE COALITION IMMIGRANTS RLA AND I AM
15 HERE TO SUPPORT 16, THE PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF. OUR
16 FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITIES ARE BEING AFFECTED FROM OUR CAR
17 WASH, ARE BEING AFFECTED NOT JUST BY THESE FIRES, BUT AS WELL
18 AS THE LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT AND ALSO THE INCREASE IN RENT AND
19 ALSO THESE AGGRESSIVE RATES THAT THIS ADMINISTRATION IS
20 IMPLEMENTING IN THESE WORKERS AT THE CAR WASH. WE, WITHOUT
21 YOUR SUPPORT, WE ARE FACING EVICTION. THIS PROGRAM WILL HELP
22 TO KEEP THESE FAMILIES IN THEIR HOMES AS WELL AS THESE SMALL
23 LANDLORDS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE RESOURCES TO FIX THESE HOMES
24 THAT ARE FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE. IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A. I DO ASK
25 HOUSING IS A RIGHT AND I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON 16 TO



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1 COLLABORATE WITH OUR COMMUNITIES SO THAT ALL OF OUR OTHER
2 ORGANIZATIONS ALSO FEEL SECURE AND ALSO CAN KEEP THEIR HOMES.

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

5
6 **ROGELIO JAIME TABARES SERRANO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
7 ROGELIO JAIME TABARES SERRANO, A LA ORDEN PARA SERVIR, TO
8 SERVE COMMUNITY. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 3
9 AND I REPRESENT A COMMUNITY OF FAMILIES THAT WORK TWO OR THREE
10 JOBS JUST TO SUSTAIN THEIR FAMILIES AND CAN BARELY SUPPORT
11 THEM. OUR FAMILIES, MANY OF THEM ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR
12 HOMES, WORK, SHOP, TRANSPORT CHILDREN TO SCHOOL DUE TO
13 INTENTIONAL HARM THAT'S BEEN POSED ON OUR COMMUNITIES.
14 SIBLINGS HAVE STEPPED UP TO PICK UP GROCERIES, PICK UP
15 CHILDREN OR SIBLINGS FROM SCHOOL, SUBSTITUTE FOR PARENTS AT
16 WORK. OUR COMMUNITY IS NEVER CONSENTED TO BEING MARGINALIZED.
17 THEY'RE NEVER CONSENTED TO BEING TREATED WITH INDIFFERENCE,
18 DISREGARD, BEING EXPOSED TO DISPROPORTIONALITY, INEQUITY,
19 POVERTY, INSTITUTIONAL RACISM OR ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. OUR
20 COMMUNITIES URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THOSE STRUGGLING TO PAY THEIR
21 RENT. IN MY LANGUAGE, HAMADI. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO THE

22 1.3 --

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.



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1 **ROGELIO JAIME TABARES SERRANO:** THANK YOU.

2

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

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5 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

6

7 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SILVIA AND I COME FROM
8 THE CLEAN CAR WASH AND I ALSO COME HERE IN REPRESENT IN
9 REPRESENTATION OF OUR FELLOW CAR WASHERS. I AM HERE TO SUPPORT
10 FIRMLY ON 16 THE PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF. OUR
11 FAMILIES ARE FACING, OUR FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
12 FACING EVICTIONS NOT JUST BECAUSE OF THE FIRES BUT ALSO
13 BECAUSE OF THE LOSS OF JOBS AS WELL AS THIS APPLICATION OF
14 IMMIGRATION LAWS THAT ARE AGGRESSIVE. WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT,
15 THEY WILL BE FACING EVICTION. WE ASK, HOUSING IS A RIGHT AND I
16 DO ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT ARTICLE 16 TO WORK CLOSELY IN
17 COLLABORATION WITH OUR COMMUNITY AND ORGANIZATIONS IN OUR
18 COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE NOT LEFT BEHIND. THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
21 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 16 IS
22 BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
25 YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SUPERVISOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 MITCHELL, YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP. SORRY.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY
4 MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO ASK FOR CLARIFICATION.
5 I'VE HEARD SEVERAL PEOPLE REFERENCE THE DATE. YESTERDAY WAS
6 SEPTEMBER 1ST. I THINK IT WAS REFERENCED FROM THE DAY AS IN
7 SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. SO, IF I COULD GET A QUESTION
8 ANSWERED, WE'VE HAD SOME DISAPPOINTMENT, I'VE EXPRESSED SOME
9 DISAPPOINTMENT IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNT OF TIME IT HAS TAKEN TO
10 GET PAST RENT RELIEF PROGRAMS ACTUALLY INTO THE HANDS OF
11 PEOPLE. SO, RAFAEL, I THINK IT'D BE REALLY IRRESPONSIBLE FOR
12 US TO ALLOW ANYBODY TO LEAVE HERE THINKING OR NOT KNOWING HOW
13 LONG IT WOULD ACTUALLY TAKE. SO, IF THE MOTION WERE TO PASS
14 TODAY, BASED ON OUR PAST EXPERIENCE, HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE
15 FOR RENT TO ACTUALLY GET IN THE HANDS OF PEOPLE BASED ON THE
16 CONTENT OF THE MOTION?

17

18 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, RAFAEL CARBAJAL,
19 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER BUSINESS AFFAIRS. GIVEN
20 THE FACT THAT WE DON'T HAVE AN ACTIVE RENT RELIEF PROGRAM
21 RIGHT NOW, NOR DO I HAVE AN ACTIVE CONTRACT IN PLACE, IT WOULD
22 TAKE ME AT LEAST 90 DAYS TO GET THE PROGRAM UP AND RUNNING AND
23 MONEY OUT THE DOOR. DO RECOGNIZE THE URGENCY OF THE NEED. WE
24 WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO TRY TO EXPEDITE THAT AS SOON AS
25 POSSIBLE BUT DEFINITELY NEED THAT TIME TO BE ABLE TO GET THE



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1 CONTRACT IN PLACE.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NINETY DAYS. YES. THANK YOU MADAM
4 CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHAT
7 ARE WE VOTING ON?

8

9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
10 BOARD, WE ARE VOTING ON SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HAHNS' MOTION TO
11 CONTINUE ITEM 16 TO SEPTEMBER 16TH AND REFER IT TO THE
12 SEPTEMBER 10, 2025, OPERATIONS CLUSTER AGENDA.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CALL THE ROLL.

15

16 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** NO.

19

20 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, NO.
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

22

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

24

25 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** NO.

3

4 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, NO.

5 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

8

9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.

10 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

13

14 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION

15 CARRIES, 3 TO 2. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 68. WHICH IS

16 COUNTY CODE TITLE 4 REVENUE AND FINANCE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT,

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

18 PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE

19 IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE TO

20 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. WE

25 HAD A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO, YOU KNOW, TOUCHED ON AN ISSUE



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1 THAT I THINK WE AS A BOARD ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
2 AND CONFRONT BECAUSE IT IS A SENSITIVE ISSUE THAT IS
3 CONTINUING TO DIVIDE THE COMMUNITY AND IT'S A PROBLEM. SO, I
4 HELD THE ITEM TODAY BECAUSE OF THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF
5 MAKING SURE THAT THE WILL OF THE VOTERS IN PASSING MEASURE J
6 IS UPHELD IN THE CHARTER. THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT TAKE THE
7 PLACE OF THAT FIX, WHICH IS STILL PENDING, SINCE THIS
8 ORDINANCE CAN BE CHANGED BY A FUTURE BOARD WITH A SIMPLE
9 MAJORITY VOTE. WHILE THE ORDINANCE LARGELY FOLLOWS MEASURE A,
10 I WANT TO CALL OUT TWO DIFFERENCES THAT I THINK ARE
11 INAPPROPRIATE DEPARTURES. FIRST, THE ORDINANCE FORMALIZES THE
12 DEFINITION OF QUOTE UNRESTRICTED REVENUE THAT HAS INDEED BEEN
13 A CONTESTED ISSUE BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND MEASURE J ADVOCATES
14 AS IT REDUCES THE AMOUNT OF THE SET ASIDE FOR COMMUNITY
15 INVESTMENT. REGARDLESS OF WHICH INTERPRETATION WE SIDE WITH, I
16 THINK IT'S INAPPROPRIATE TO INCLUDE THAT IN THE ORDINANCE AT A
17 TIME WHEN THE PUBLIC IS DEEPLY CONCERNED AND SENSITIVE TO THE
18 UNDERMINING OF MEASURE J. SECOND, THE ORDINANCE LOWERS THE
19 THRESHOLD FOR DECLARING A FISCAL EMERGENCY AND SUSPENDING THE
20 SET-ASIDE FROM THE 4/5 OUTLINED IN MEASURE J TO 2/3, MAKING IT
21 EASIER TO BYPASS THE COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. IT'S
22 UNCLEAR TO ME WHY AN EIGHTH, NINTH THRESHOLD WOULD NOT BE
23 APPROPRIATE WHEN THERE WILL BE NINE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
24 FURTHER, THE ISSUE OF VOTE THRESHOLDS AND OTHER COUNTY
25 POLICIES AND ORDINANCES CAN AND SHOULD BE REVIEWED



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1 COLLECTIVELY. AND WE SHOULD NOT SIMPLY SINGLE OUT MEASURE J
2 BECAUSE OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR THAT THIS ORDINANCE DOES
3 NOT CORRECT. I AM CLEAR THAT THE EXPANDED BOARD IN 2032 WILL
4 REQUIRE RETHINKING MANY THINGS ABOUT COUNTY GOVERNANCE. IT'S
5 MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THAT'S A PART OF THE ROLE THAT THE
6 GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE IS CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING.
7 HOWEVER, I AM AGAIN CONCERNED THAT WE WOULD DEPART FROM
8 MEASURE J IN AN ORDINANCE THAT IS MEANT TO ASSURE THE PUBLIC
9 THAT WE ARE COMMITTED TO UPHOLDING IT, NOT RECRAFTING IT AFTER
10 THE FACT. TO THAT END, I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR COUNTY
11 COUNSEL, IF I MAY, MADAM CHAIR.

12
13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SURE.

14
15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. SINCE THE ORDINANCE IS
16 INTENDED TO REASSURE THE PUBLIC ABOUT OUR COMMITMENT TO UPHOLD
17 MEASURE J, DESPITE THE CONFLICT THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE G HAS
18 CREATED. WHY DOES THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE DIFFER SUBSTANTIALLY
19 FROM MEASURE J BY ONE, FORMALIZING THE CONTESTED DEFINITION OF
20 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS, AND TWO, LOWERING THE EMERGENCY VOTE FROM
21 4/5 TO 2/3.

22
23 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THE
24 QUESTION I'LL TAKE THEM IN ORDER FIRST THE DEFINITION AND THEN
25 THE PERCENTAGES. YOU ARE CORRECT THROUGH THIS MOTION AND



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1 SPECIFICALLY THIS ORDINANCE, THE BOARD IS REAFFIRMING ITS
2 COMMITMENT TO MEASURE J, WHICH THIS BOARD HAS AND CONTINUES TO
3 CARRY OUT THROUGH ITS CFCI POLICY. THE ORDINANCE THEREFORE,
4 TRANSPARENTLY CODIFIES MEASURE J, AS VOTED BY THE VOTERS
5 SETTING FORTH THE WHAT IS TO BE SET ASIDE, WHICH IS 10% OF THE
6 COUNTY'S LOCALLY GENERATED UNRESTRICTED REVENUE IN THE GENERAL
7 FUND. AND THEN SECOND, THE BOARD'S CFCA POLICY, WHICH OUR CEO
8 HAS STATED NUMEROUS TIMES, IS THE METHODOLOGY AS TO THE HOW IT
9 IS THAT SET ASIDE IS IMPLEMENTED. THE INCLUSION OF SECTION
10 4.13.020E WHICH DEFINES IN THE DRAFT ORDINANCE WHICH DEFINES
11 LOCALLY GENERATED UNRESTRICTED REVENUES IN THE GENERAL FUND,
12 ALSO KNOWN AS NET COUNTY COSTS, IS INTENDED TO ELIMINATE ANY
13 CONFUSION OR POTENTIAL FOR THE DISAGREEMENT REGARDING THIS
14 TERM. THE DEFINITION WAS FORMALLY ADOPTED BY THIS BOARD IN THE
15 FIRST CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT CFCI POLICY, WHICH TOOK
16 EFFECT IN JULY, 2021, AFTER MUCH DELIBERATION AND EDUCATION BY
17 OUR CEO ON WHAT EXACTLY LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUE IS, AND THE
18 EXTERNAL RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE PLACED ON THOSE FUNDS, AS SET
19 FORTH IN THE CEO'S MEMOS IN MAY, APRIL, AND MARCH OF 2021 WHEN
20 THE DELIBERATIONS WERE BEING HELD. AND THAT DEFINITION
21 CONTINUES IN EFFECT TODAY. MEASURE J, ON THE OTHER HAND, DID
22 NOT DEFINE THE TERM, BUT RATHER ALLOWED IT TO BE DETERMINED,
23 QUOTE, ANNUALLY IN THE BUDGET PROCESS, OR AS OTHERWISE SET
24 FORTH IN THE COUNTY CODE OR REGULATIONS. THAT'S FROM MEASURE
25 J. SO WHILE THERE'S NO REQUIREMENT THAT THE CFCI LANGUAGE BE



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1 INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE, GIVEN THAT IT WAS PREVIOUSLY
2 ADOPTED BY THIS BOARD AND CONTINUES TO BE THIS BOARD'S POLICY
3 FOR HOW IT IMPLEMENTS MEASURE J, WE THOUGHT IT PRUDENT FOR
4 FULL TRANSPARENCY TO INCLUDE IT HERE IN THE ORDINANCE. BUT WE
5 CAN CERTAINLY REMOVE THAT IF THAT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD. I
6 CAN MOVE ON NOW TO THE SECOND PIECE UNLESS YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL
7 QUESTIONS.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** LET ME RESPOND TO THAT AND WE'LL MOVE
10 ON TO THE SECOND ONE. I APPRECIATE THAT THE BOARD HAS TAKEN
11 ACTION AND THE CEO HAS CONSISTENTLY TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT
12 IT WAS AN INAPPROPRIATE DEFINITION. I WOULD JUST SUGGEST,
13 GIVEN THE DELICATE NATURE THAT WE ARE ALL CURRENTLY IN WITH
14 REGARD TO MEASURE J, THAT THIS MIGHT NOT BE THE TIME, NOR DO I
15 THINK IT'S NECESSARY. IF IT PASSED AS A BOARD POLICY, THEN WE
16 CAN CONTINUE IN THAT PRACTICE. BUT I DON'T THINK NOW IS THE
17 TIME WHEN WE'VE GOT PUBLIC SENTIMENT IN QUESTION AROUND A
18 FEELING OF CONFIDENCE AROUND MEASURE J. REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY
19 TIMES WE DECLARE OUR COMMITMENT TO IT FROM THIS HORSESHOE, I
20 DON'T KNOW THAT THIS WOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO INCLUDE
21 THAT IN AN ORDINANCE. I JUST REALLY, REALLY DON'T.

22

23 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** UNDERSTOOD JUST ONE POINT OF CLARIFICATION.
24 I DON'T THINK THE CEO HAS EVER SAID THAT MEASURE J HAD AN
25 INAPPROPRIATE DEFINITION. MEASURE J DIDN'T DEFINE IT AT ALL.



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1 MEASURE J SAID THAT

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IT'S AN INAPPROPRIATE INTERPRETATION
4 BY THOSE WHO PROPOSED IT. I GET IT.

5

6 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** OKAY. WE CAN CERTAINLY REMOVE IT. SO IF
7 THAT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD, WE WOULD TAKE IT BACK.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, MY POINT IS, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE
10 CEO AND THIS BOARD HAS TAKEN ACTION, SO WE SHOULD JUST STAND
11 ON THAT ACTION. BUT I WOULDN'T INCLUDE A DEFINITION IN THE
12 ORDINANCE. NOW IS NOT THE TIME IN MY HUMBLE OPINION.

13

14 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** UNDERSTOOD. AS TO THE SECOND PART OF YOUR
15 QUESTION WITH REGARDS TO THE LOWERING THE EMERGENCY VOTE FROM
16 4/5 TO 2/3, SO THAT IS IN SECTION JUST FOR PURPOSES OF THE
17 PUBLIC THAT IS IN SECTION 4.13.020F OF THE DRAFT ORDINANCE AND
18 IT WAS SET AT 2/3 BEGINNING IN 2032 UPON THE EXPANSION OF THE
19 BOARD FROM FIVE TO NINE MEMBERS. IT WAS SET AT 2/3 VOTE RATHER
20 THAN 4/5 REQUIREMENT AS THE 4/5 REQUIREMENT IN MEASURE J
21 BECAUSE IN THE OTHER CONTEXT OF MEASURE G AS PUT FORWARD ON
22 THE BALLOT AND VOTED BY THE PEOPLE, ALL OF THE OTHER SUPER
23 MAJORITIES ARE SET AT 2/3. SO, THERE'S NO LEGAL REQUIREMENT
24 THAT A SUPER MAJORITY BE 4/5 OR 2/3. IT WAS SET FOR
25 CONSISTENCY PURPOSES. WITH REGARDS TO THE BOARD'S CURRENT



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1 COMPOSITION OF FIVE MEMBERS, A SIMPLE MAJORITY IS THREE, WHICH
2 IS 2/3. AND SO, THE SUPER MAJORITY BEING FOUR IS THE SIMPLE
3 MAJORITY PLUS ONE. WITH REGARDS TO THE NINE MEMBERS, THE
4 SIMPLE MAJORITY IS FIVE. A SUPER MAJORITY OF JUST ADDING ONE
5 WOULD BE THE SIX, 4/5 WOULD BE SEVEN, NOT EIGHT, IT WOULD BE
6 SEVEN MEMBERS. SO, WE COULD, IF THIS BOARD WOULD LIKE IT TO BE
7 4/5 WE CAN MAKE IT 4/5. WE MADE IT 2/3 TO BE CONSISTENT
8 BEGINNING IN 2032 WITH ALL OF THE OTHER SUPERMAJORITY
9 DEFINITIONS IN MEASURE G.

10

11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, WHAT ABOUT ALL OF THE OTHER BALLOT
12 MEASURES THAT TALK ABOUT A SUPER MAJORITY? IF I REMEMBER
13 CORRECTLY, AND I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE MORE, I JUST HAPPEN TO
14 REMEMBER MEASURE A AS THE AUTHOR OF MEASURE A, WHAT'S THE PLAN
15 FOR ADDRESSING, YOU KNOW, BRINGING ALL OF THE PAST CHARTERS IN
16 COMPLIANCE WITH G? YOU KNOW, YOU'VE DONE THIS ONE, I GUESS,
17 BECAUSE YOU'RE WRITING THE ORDINANCE. BUT WHAT'S THE STRATEGY?
18 BECAUSE THIS ISN'T THE ONLY, J ISN'T THE ONLY ORDINANCE THAT
19 REQUIRES THAT. MEASURE A DOES AS WELL, AND PERHAPS THERE ARE
20 OTHERS THAT I'M JUST NOT AWARE OF.

21

22 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WE CAN CERTAINLY COMB THROUGH ALL OF THE
23 ORDINANCES AS WELL AS THE CHARTER TO SEE IF THERE IS ANY PLACE
24 WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE SWITCHED FOR CONSISTENCY PURPOSES, BUT
25 THAT IS WHY WE SET IT IN THIS ORDINANCE BECAUSE WE WERE



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1 LOOKING AT MEASURE G AND THAT'S WHY WE SAID IT TO BEGIN IN
2 2032.

3

4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** IT JUST SEEMS TO ME THAT STRATEGICALLY
5 WE NEED TO LOOK AT ALL OF THEM.

6

7 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** WE CAN DO THAT COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** PERHAPS DO ALL OF THEM AT ONCE. AND
10 WE'VE GOT SOME TIME BECAUSE IT'S 2032. BUT AGAIN, I DIDN'T
11 UNDERSTAND WHY THIS ONE WAS PICKED. ONE MORE QUESTION. AND IN
12 EVALUATING BALLOT MEASURE OPTIONS FOR PRESERVING MEASURE J, I
13 THINK WHICH WAS A REPORT BACK THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT WAS HELD
14 ACCOUNTABLE FOR IN THE CHARTER. IN MY READ OF THE REPORT BACK,
15 COUNSEL HAS ONLY DISCUSSED PUTTING MEASURE J BACK ON THE
16 BALLOT. HAS COUNTY COUNSEL EVALUATED INSTEAD WHETHER THIS
17 PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED BY PUTTING A PROVISION ON THE BALLOT
18 THAT REMOVES THE PART OF MEASURE G THAT DELETES ARTICLE 3 IN
19 ITS ENTIRETY AND DELETES MEASURE J?

20

21 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THE REPORT BACK THAT WE'VE DONE AS FAR AS
22 ON LEGISLATION OPTIONS, WE HAVE NOT DONE OUR REPORT BACK YET
23 WITH REGARDS TO PUTTING FORTH A FURTHER CHARTER ON THE BALLOT.
24 AND WHEN WE DO THAT, THAT'S EXPECTED IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF
25 WEEKS, WE WILL BE EVALUATING BOTH.



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** COMPREHENSIVELY. EXCELLENT.

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4 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** CORRECT.

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6 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

7

8 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** SO, IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM, WE
9 COULD TAKE IT BACK IF IT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD AND REMOVE
10 THE DEFINITION OF CFCI FROM THE DRAFT ORDINANCE THAT WE'VE PUT
11 FORWARD.

12

13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE I'M
14 NOT GOING TO SUPPORT AN ORDINANCE THAT INCLUDES IT. SO I
15 WOULD, BECAUSE IT'S THE WILL OF THE BOARD, I DON'T KNOW HOW
16 YOU WANT TO HANDLE THAT MEASURE, MADAM CHAIR.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU JUST DO A CLARIFICATION?
19 SO, THE DEFINITION OF CFCI, BECAUSE ACCORDING TO YOU, THE
20 BOARD POLICY STILL APPLIES. SO, DOES IT REALLY MATTER?

21

22 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THAT'S CORRECT, THE BOARD POLICY STILL
23 APPLIES.

24

25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** DOES IT?



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2 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I THINK IT DOES.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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6 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

9

10 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** SO, THERE'D BE A MOTION FOR IT TO CONTINUE
11 IT. AND WE WOULD BRING IT BACK IF THERE'S A SECOND FOR THAT.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

14

15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YEAH, I HEAR
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S CONCERNS ABOUT THIS WITH THE LANGUAGE
17 THAT IT GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE VOTERS APPROVED IN
18 MEASURE J. AND I THINK IT'S FAIR, REALLY, AT THIS PARTICULAR
19 TIME, BECAUSE THERE DOES SEEM TO BE A LOT OF TENSION WITH OUR
20 ACTIVISTS AND THE LITTLE MISTRUST, AND IT'S ALREADY KIND OF A
21 MESS. SO, IT WAS MY FEELING THAT WHEN WE ASKED YOU TO BRING
22 THIS ORDINANCE FORWARD THAT IT WOULD MIRROR THE LANGUAGE THAT
23 WAS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS AND NOT ADD ANY EXTRAS. SO, I WOULD
24 BE IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUING THIS ORDINANCE AND ASK THAT YOU
25 REMOVE THE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE AS IT RELATES TO THE 2/3 OR THE



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1 4/5. YEAH, I DO FEEL LIKE WE NEED A STRATEGY TO LOOK AT ALL OF
2 THEM THAT REMOVING THE SHERIFF. WAS THAT MEASURE A? YEAH.
3 YEAH. SO, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHAT WE HAVE GOING FOR BUT I
4 JUST WANTED TO REITERATE THAT I DO BELIEVE THAT THIS COUNTY,
5 THIS BOARD PARTICULARLY HAS A POLICY IN PLACE ABOUT MEASURE G
6 AND CARE FIRST INVESTMENT FUNDS. AND I THINK BY APPROVING THIS
7 ORDINANCE, IT WILL TAKE US A STEP CLOSER TO CODIFYING THE
8 POLICY INTO AN ORDINANCE, WHICH WE KNOW ORDINANCE ISN'T AS
9 GOOD AS A CHARTER. WE ALL KNOW THAT, WE BELIEVE THAT, BUT I
10 THINK THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO DO IN THE MEANTIME. AND AS WE'RE
11 PURSUING OTHER WAYS TO REINSERT MEASURE J INTO OUR COUNTY
12 CHARTER, I THINK, AGAIN, I REALLY WANT TO SEE US EXPLORE A LOT
13 OF THE OPTIONS EITHER TAKING THE ISSUE TO A JUDGE PURSUING A
14 LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION OR BRINGING IT BACK TO THE VOTERS FOR A
15 FIX TO THIS BUREAUCRATIC ERROR BUT WHILE WE WEIGH THESE
16 OPTIONS I THINK WE NEED TO GET THIS ORDINANCE IN PLACE. AND
17 WHEN WE SAY CONTINUE IT, ARE YOU THINKING?

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** REFER IT BACK? THAT'S WHAT I WAS
20 GOING TO ASK.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** REFER IT BACK?

23
24 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** YES, CORRECT. REFER IT BACK AND WE'LL BRING
25 IT BACK. WE'LL PROBABLY BRING IT BACK ON THE SAME DAY AS I



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1 THINK ITEM 20 WAS CONTINUED. WE CAN BRING IT BACK ON THE SAME
2 DAY?

3

4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, I'D JUST LIKE TO SEE IT WITHOUT THE
5 ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE FIRST.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO NOW IT CONTINUES TO REFER BACK
8 TO, OKAY.

9

10 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** APOLOGIES, YES, I REFER BACK, SORRY.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. VOTERS MADE THEIR VOICES
15 HEARD WHEN THEY PASSED MEASURES J AND G, AND OUR JOB IS TO
16 IMPLEMENT THEM, NOT TO REWRITE HISTORY OR IGNORE THEIR WILL.
17 I'M COMMITTED TO PASSING AN ORDINANCE TO CODIFY MEASURE J,
18 LANGUAGE THAT REFLECTS WHAT WAS ACTUALLY PASSED, BUT I WANT TO
19 BE CLEAR, AN ORDINANCE IS NOT ANYWHERE CLOSE TO THE END OF THE
20 WORK. WE'RE HERE TO FIX WHAT WENT WRONG, TO TAKE APPROPRIATE
21 ACTION, AND TO BUILD LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS ROOTED IN
22 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. AN ORDINANCE IS ONE STEP
23 TOWARDS THE PERMANENT RESTORATION OF MEASURE J AND THE WILL OF
24 VOTERS. EVERY DOOR SHOULD STAY OPEN AND AN ORDINANCE SHOULD
25 MIRROR THE LANGUAGE OF MEASURE J. VOTERS APPROVED BOTH



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1 MEASURES J AND G. THE ELECTIONS ARE OVER AND BOTH ARE THE LAW
2 OF THE COUNTY. THE GOVERNANCE REFORM TASK FORCE HAS SHARED A
3 LETTER IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROCESS STATING THAT NEITHER MEASURE
4 J NOR MEASURE G'S MERITS SHOULD BE RECONSIDERED. THIS BOARD
5 HAS CONSISTENTLY DEFENDED MEASURE J WHEN IT WAS CHALLENGED WE
6 ADVANCED CARE FIRST FUNDING AND NOW EVEN AFTER THE COUNTY'S
7 MISTAKE WE ARE STEPPING UP AGAIN WITH SOLUTIONS. SO, WITH
8 THAT, I WANT TO ASK A CLARIFYING QUESTION TO COUNTY COUNSEL.
9 THE NOTION THAT ONE SECTION OF MEASURE G COULD BE REPEALED,
10 AND THAT WOULD SOLVE THE ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO MEASURE J. IS
11 THAT ACCURATE, OR IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT LANGUAGE NEEDS TO
12 BE, I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT LEGAL TERM BUTUT RECONCILED
13 COMPLETELY SO THAT WAY G AND J WORK TOGETHER. IT'S NOT AS
14 SIMPLE AS JUST REMOVING ONE SECTION. DO I HAVE THAT RIGHT?

15

16 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** THAT'S CORRECT, AND THAT WILL BE INCLUDED
17 IN OUR NEXT REPORT BACK WITH REGARDS TO VARIOUS CHARTER
18 AMENDMENT OPTIONS.

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY HORVATH:** OKAY, SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
21 HIGHLIGHT THAT. I KNOW THERE WAS THIS IDEA THAT JUST REMOVING
22 A SIMPLE SECTION OF MEASURE G WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM. THAT'S
23 ACTUALLY NOT THE CASE. AND THAT SOLUTION CAME FROM PEOPLE WHO
24 CLAIMED TO HAVE DISCOVERED THE PROBLEM WITH MEASURE G, WHICH
25 ALSO ISN'T THE CASE. WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE



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1 COMMITTED TO UNDERMINING MEASURE G IN ADVOCACY OF MEASURE J.
2 AND I THINK THAT'S CERTAINLY A VALID OPINION, BUT THE VOTERS
3 HAVE PASSED BOTH, AND I BELIEVE THAT IT IS THE DUTY OF THE
4 COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT BOTH ARE APPROPRIATELY IMPLEMENTED.
5 AND SO, TO THAT END, MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE FURTHER CODIFYING
6 ALL ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY THE VOTERS IS CRITICALLY
7 IMPORTANT, AND MAKING SURE THAT WE FIX THAT PROCESS GOING
8 FORWARD IS ALSO IMPORTANT. SO, I THINK I'LL LEAVE MY COMMENTS
9 THERE AT THIS POINT.

10

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

12

13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. TO GO BACK TO THE ACTUAL
14 MOTION BEFORE US, I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HAHN'S POINT AND ASK
15 THAT THE ORDINANCE REFLECT MEASURE J. AND SO UNTIL YOU DO THE
16 ANALYSIS AND PERHAPS ANOTHER MOTION OR ACTION TAKES CARE OF
17 ALL OF THE PAST ORDINANCES THAT NEED THAT ADJUSTMENT I WOULD
18 ASK THAT WE REMOVE THAT AS WELL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** UNDERSTOOD.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SO I SEE NO OTHER
23 PEOPLE WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS AT THE BOARD. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE
24 PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT I THINK BEFORE US RIGHT NOW, FOR THOSE
25 SPEAKING IN PUBLIC COMMENT, IS THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO REFER



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1 BACK TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS RAISED BY
2 THIS BOARD, IN PARTICULAR THE LANGUAGE AS IT RELATES TO CFCI
3 BOARD POLICY, CORRECT?

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
6 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. LORETTA LORAIN, AQUILINA
7 SORIANO-VERSOSA, JOSE BYRON, DEREK STEELE. AS A FINAL REMINDER
8 FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO
9 YOUR ADDRESS, ITEM 68, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE
10 THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR
11 TELEPHONE NOW. MEGAN RICH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **MEGAN RICH:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MEGAN RICH AND I'M A
14 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT INTERN WITH LA DEFENSA. ON ITEM 68, I'M
15 CONCERNED THAT THIS ORDINANCE CHANGES KEY PARTS OF MEASURE J
16 IN WAYS THAT WEAKEN IT. FIRST, IT LOWERS THE VOTE THRESHOLD TO
17 SUSPEND COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS FROM 4/5 TO 2/3. THAT MAKES IT
18 MUCH EASIER TO PAUSE OR BYPASS THESE FUNDS, AND THAT GOES
19 AGAINST THE STRONG COMMITMENT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY PASSED
20 MEASURE J. SECOND, THE ORDINANCE NARROWS THE DEFINITION OF
21 UNRESTRICTED REVENUE, WHICH REDUCES THE OVERALL AMOUNT OF
22 MONEY GOING TO COMMUNITIES. AT A TIME WHEN PEOPLE ALREADY
23 WORRY ABOUT MEASURE J BEING UNDERMINED, THESE CHANGES SEND THE
24 WRONG MESSAGE. I URGE THE BOARD TO AMEND THIS ORDINANCE SO IT
25 REFLECTS THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF MEASURE J, PROTECTING AT LEAST



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1 10% OF COUNTY REVENUE FOR REAL COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND
2 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION WITHOUT WEAKENING PUBLIC TRUST.
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
6 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THE REMOTE PARTICIPATION
7 FOR ITEM 68 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON
8 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **LORETTA LORAINE:** LORD, I'VE BEEN IN THIS RODEO. BUT I TELL
11 YOU, I THINK YOU ALL WOULD MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS, AND I DO
12 COMMAND ALL OF YOU ALL. AND I DO, I'M FORWARD EVERYTHING YOU
13 GOT PLANNED, AND I HOPE YOU ALL MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES. AND
14 LINDSEY AND YOU, AND I'VE SEEN YOUR WORK, AND I'M REALLY
15 IMPRESSED WITH ALL FIVE OF Y'ALL THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU.

16

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

18

19 **AQUI SORIANO VERSOZA:** HI I'M AQUI SORIANO-VERSOSO WITH THE
20 FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER AND JUST WANT TO EXPRESS THAT WE
21 REALLY WANT TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF MEASURE J AS IT'S
22 VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES, YOU KNOW, TO MAKE A
23 STRONG LOS ANGELES, AND SO SUPPORT THE AMENDMENTS TO MAKE SURE
24 THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS, YOU KNOW, REALLY IN LINE WITH WHAT WAS
25 PASSED BY THE VOTERS AND TO NOT MAKE INTERPRETATIONS THAT ARE



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1 DIFFERENT, THAT ALSO NARROW AND DEGRADE THE INTEGRITY OF
2 MEASURE J. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

5
6 **BYRON JOSE:** BYRON JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA COALITION AND RE-
7 IMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR HOLDING THIS
8 ITEM AND FOR YOUR COMMENTS, UPLIFTING THE WISH OF THE VOTERS
9 OF THE COMMUNITY WHERE WE ARE. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN
10 AND HORVATH FOR UPLIFTING THAT AS WELL. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE
11 THAT CFCI IS NOT MEASURE J AND ITS INTERPRETATION OF MEASURE J
12 BACK FOUR YEARS AGO. SO, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT AS WE MOVE
13 FORWARD, WE'RE CODIFYING, WE'RE PROTECTING MEASURE J. SOME OF
14 THE DISCUSSIONS THAT WE KEEP HEARING ON THE BUDGET EARLIER
15 TODAY, AND EVEN THE LAST ITEM, RIGHT, GO BACK TO THIS NOTION
16 OF HOW DO WE INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SO, WE WANT TO MAKE
17 SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO DO THAT. AND I FORGOT MY LAST POINT,
18 BECAUSE THE CHAIR WAS SMILING AT ME. WHAT WAS I GOING TO SAY?
19 OH, YEAH, DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE
20 LISTENING FOR THE COMMUNITY. THIS WAS NOT DISCUSSED AT THE
21 GRTF. WE'RE HAVING AN ETHICS COMMISSION MOVING FORWARD, SO WE
22 NEED TO CLARIFY IT NOW. AND I'LL JUST CONTINUE RUNNING,
23 CIRCLING AROUND THE PROCESS, THANK YOU.

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



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2 **DEREK STEELE:** DEREK STEELE, LET'S BE CLEAR. MOST PEOPLE DIDN'T
3 EVEN KNOW THAT MEASURE J WAS ON THE AGENDA IN THIS WAY TODAY.
4 THE ORDINANCE CAME WITH NO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, NO TRANSPARENCY,
5 AND NO REAL ATTEMPT TO REBUILD THE TRUST AFTER MEASURE G
6 ERASED THE CHARTER PROTECTIONS, THE VOTERS APPROVED. NOW,
7 COUNTY COUNSEL, WHO IS THE REASON WE'RE IN THIS IN THE FIRST
8 PLACE, TRIES TO QUIETLY REWRITE MEASURE J IN WAYS THAT MAKE IT
9 WEAKER, NARROWING THE DEFINITION OF THE UNRESTRICTED REVENUE
10 AND LOWERING THE BOARD'S THRESHOLD TO SUSPEND THE SET-ASIDE.
11 THAT'S NOT HOW YOU RESTORE PUBLIC FAITH, THAT'S NOT HOW YOU
12 CREATE MORE, THAT'S ACTUALLY HOW YOU CREATE MORE DISTRUST. WE
13 KNOW SOME OFFICES WANT TO DEFEND MEASURE G, I'M GRTEF, SO
14 THAT'S TRULY UNDERSTANDABLE, BUT IT CAN'T COME AT THE COST OF
15 MEASURE J. THIS ORDINANCE SHOULD NOT BE RUSHED THROUGH UNDER
16 THE GUISE OF TECHNICAL CLEANUP. THE REAL FIX IS TO AMEND THE
17 PART OF MEASURE G THAT CAUSED THIS AND RESTORE WHAT THE PEOPLE
18 PASSED. IF WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT EQUITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND
19 HONORING COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP, WE HAVE TO STOP REWRITING THE
20 RULES BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. VOTE NO ON ITEM 68 AND AT LEAST
21 SEND IT BACK FOR PROPER REVIEW, THANK YOU.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEM 68.

25



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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
2 TAKE ROLL ON REFERRING THIS MATTER BACK. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

4
5 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

6
7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.

8
9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE.

10 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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14 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE.

15 SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

18
19 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.

20 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

23
24 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.

25 SUPERVISOR BARGER?



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

3

4 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION
5 CARRIES, 5 TO 0.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW PROCEED
8 WITH PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS,
9 INCLUDING THE CLOSED SESSION ITEM AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE PUBLIC COMMENT RULES.

11

12 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL ITEMS NOT
14 HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING THE CLOSED
15 SESSION ITEM AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THESE CONSENT ITEMS
16 WILL BE ACTED UPON WITH ONE MOTION. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS
17 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON SUBJECT
18 MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION BUT NOT ON ITEMS ON
19 THE MEETING AGENDA. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
20 REMOTELY PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE OR PRESS STAR 3 NOW
21 TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM
22 NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE
23 APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND



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1 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.
2 THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR
3 DISCUSSION, INCLUDING CLOSED SESSION ITEM AND GENERAL PUBLIC
4 COMMENT. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
5 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ELUISA GALINDO. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS
6 UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

7

8 **MEL BAILEY:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. THIS IS MEL BAILEY
9 AGAIN FOR GENERAL COMMENTS. I JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT AT THE
10 BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, NORMALLY WHEN THE CALLING NUMBER IS
11 BEING GIVEN, IT'S GIVEN OUT VERBALLY, BUT TODAY, UNLESS I
12 MISSED SOMETHING, IT SEEMED LIKE WE WERE BEING REFERRED TO THE
13 WEBSITE. FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED OR HAVE ANY
14 OTHER TYPE OF ADA SITUATION, GOING TO A WEBSITE CAN BE VERY
15 DIFFICULT. AND I WOULD JUST ASK YOU IF WE CAN GO BACK TO
16 VERBALLY ANNOUNCING THE CALLING INFORMATION DURING THE, AFTER
17 THE CODE OF CONDUCT IS READ. THAT'S ALL. THANK YOU LADIES AND
18 HAVE A BLESSED EVENING.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YOU KNOW WHAT, FOR A POINT OF PRIVILEGE, I
23 MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER OR NOT THAT GOT ADMITTED, BUT HE
24 MAKES A VERY GOOD POINT. IT SEEMS LIKE EVERY TIME WE TRY TO DO
25 SOMETHING GOOD, WE LEAVE SOMETHING OUT. SO, COULD WE HAVE THE



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1 NUMBER VERBALLY ANNOUNCED FOR THOSE WHO, AS HE SAID, EITHER
2 ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED OR HAVE SOME OTHER REASON THEY'RE NOT ON
3 OUR WEBSITE?

4

5 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE'LL
6 INCORPORATE THAT INTO OUR NOTIFICATION IN THE NEXT MEETING.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NICHOLAS GARDNER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
9 BEGIN.

10

11 **NICHOLAS GARDNER:** MEMBERS, I'M COMMENTING ON ITEM 26. MY NAME
12 IS NICHOLAS GARDNER. I AM A POLITICAL ORGANIZER WITH UNITED
13 TEACHERS LOS ANGELES. WE JUST WANT TO SHARE THAT OUR CONCERNS
14 WITH THE EXTERA SCHOOL PROJECT HAVE NOT CHANGED SINCE LAST
15 OCTOBER WHEN THE ITEM WAS BEFORE THE BOARD AND WE'RE PLEASED
16 TO SEE THAT THE BOARD WILL MOVE FORWARD TO REJECT THE
17 APPLICATION. WE OF COURSE URGE THE ENTIRE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE
18 DENIAL OF THE CUP FOR THE EXTERA CHARTER SCHOOL. THE COMMUNITY
19 WHERE THIS SCHOOL IS GOING TO BE PLACED IS VERY IMPACTED WITH
20 A LONG HISTORY OF SUFFERING WITH MANY SOCIAL, ECONOMIC,
21 ENVIRONMENTAL, AND TRAFFIC BURDENS. THE LOCATION ITSELF IS NOT
22 IDEAL FOR A SCHOOL. IT IS IN AN AREA THAT IS IN WHICH IS DENSE
23 IN THE MIDDLE OF A SINGLE AND MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL USES
24 NEXT TO THE 5 FREEWAY. MANY PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE
25 SHARED CONCERNS WITH THE BUILDING OF THIS CHARTER SO WE URGE



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1 YOU TO REJECT ITS APPLICATION. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER 213-712. YOUR LINE IS
4 OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

5

6 **CARLOS MONTES:** MY NAME IS CARLOS MONTES. I'M A MEMBER CENTRAL
7 C2, EXCUSE ME, CENTRAL CSO KIND OF STARTED A LONG DAY GRADUATE
8 FROM GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, GREW UP IN EAST L.A. AND OUR
9 CONCERNS REGARDING THE XTERA SCHOOL PROJECT HAVE NOT CHANGED
10 SINCE LAST OCTOBER 2024 WHEN THE ITEM WAS BEFORE THE BOARD.
11 SO, I SUPPORT THE BOARD ACTION IN OCTOBER TO MOVE TO DENY THE
12 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR EXTERA. SO, I CONTINUE TO URGE THE
13 ENTIRE BOARD TO SUPPORT THE DENIAL OF THE CPU. EAST L.A., YOU
14 KNOW, WE'VE SUFFERED FOR MANY SOCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ILLS,
15 ESPECIALLY TRAFFIC. YOU KNOW, PUTTING THE PROPOSED CHARTER
16 SCHOOL IN THE MIDDLE OF A QUIET RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY IS
17 REALLY NOT COMPATIBLE. YOU KNOW THE WE LACK TRAFFIC. EXCUSE
18 ME, WE LACK PARKING ACCESSIBILITY, SO THIS WOULD CAUSE A LOT
19 OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. NOISE LACK OF ACCESSIBILITY --

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** LATIA SUTTLE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
22 BEGIN.

23

24 **LATIA SUTTLE:** I AM COMMENTING ON ITEM 17 IN PUBLIC COMMENT. MY
25 NAME IS LATIA SUTTLE. I'M AN ARMY VETERAN, PARENT WITH LIVED



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1 EXPERIENCE, ADVOCATE FOR VETERAN. IN ADDITION TO THE SUPPORT
2 FOR 17, VETERANS TRYING TO FILE VA CLAIMS, THERE MUST ALSO BE
3 PROTECTION FOR VETERANS AFTER THEY RECEIVE THEIR CLAIMS, AFTER
4 IT WAS APPROVED. VETERANS ARE BEING VICTIMIZED BY PREDATORY
5 PRACTICES WITHIN THE FAMILY COURT SYSTEM AND DEPARTMENT OF
6 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. VETERANS REPORT CASES BEING
7 DELIBERATELY DRAGGED OUT FOR YEARS WITH MATTERS BOUNCING BACK
8 AND FORTH BETWEEN FAMILY COURT AND DCSF CREATING ENDLESS COSTS
9 THAT TARGET VA DISABILITY COMPENSATION AS A FUNDING SOURCE.
10 THE INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES PROFITING FROM THIS EXPLOITATION
11 INCLUDE OFFICERS OF THE COURT, MINORS COUNCIL, CUSTODY
12 EVALUATORS, CHILD VISITATION MONITORS, THERAPISTS, ATTORNEYS.
13 THESE ACTORS CHARGE VETERANS THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN FEES AND
14 COSTS, INCLUDING REQUIRING VETERANS TO PAY FOR THEIR OWN COURT
15 REPORTERS, AN EXPENSE THAT CAN EXCEED \$3,000 PER HEARING.
16 DOMESTIC ABUSE IS OFTEN IGNORED IN FAMILY COURT AND DCSF,
17 LEADING VICTIMS TO BE RE-VICTIMIZED. THIS SYSTEMATIC TREATMENT
18 CONTRIBUTES DIRECTLY TO HOMELESSNESS AND SUICIDE AMONG
19 VETERANS. IN L.A., THERE ARE OVER 3,400 HOMELESS VETERANS, AND
20 ACROSS CALIFORNIA, IT EXCEEDS 11,000. NATIONALLY, THE SUICIDE
21 RATE AMONG VETERANS IS 18 PER DAY. SO, I'M JUST ASKING THAT IN
22 ADDITION TO THESE CLAIMS, VETERANS TRYING TO FIND CLAIMS THAT
23 THEY'D BE PROTECTED, ONCE THEY GET THEIR COMPENSATION, THE
24 COMPENSATION NEEDS TO BE PROTECTED AS WELL BECAUSE IT'S NOT
25 CURRENTLY BEING PROTECTED. YOU HAVE DCSF NOT EVEN ASKING



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1 PEOPLE IF THEY'RE VETERANS OFFICIALLY, BUT ONCE THEY FIND OUT,
2 IT'S JUST GOING BACK AND FORTH. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHRIES, YOUR LINE IS
5 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. ROY HUMPHREYS.

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7 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OH, THANK YOU. AND I'M CLEANING UP THE NEEDS
8 HERE THAT THIS BOARD WILL PERMANENTLY DETERMINE THE LAND
9 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE FIASCO INCESSANTLY INSIPID ACT THAT IT
10 IS. IF YOU SAY WHO'S ROY HUMPHREYS, HOW ABOUT CONGRESSMAN
11 HAROLD FORD, HOW ABOUT THE ENTIRE STAFF AND PARTICIPANTS OF
12 GUTFELD AND THE FIVE? AND HOW ABOUT JESSE PETERSON AND THE
13 HOST OF, AND VICTOR VINCENT HANSEN AND ALSO, IT AND I'M ALSO A
14 HOST OF VICTOR VINCENT HANSEN. IT IS THIS DISGUSTING WOKE
15 SHAMING [EXPLETIVE] NEEDS TO BE TERMINATED IMMEDIATELY IF NOT
16 SOONER. THANK YOU.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. PENA MARTINEZ, YOUR LINE IS
19 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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21 **PENA MARTINEZ:** FIRST, I'D LIKE TO SAY IT WAS PRETTY SORRY
22 SHOWING FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WANTS TO SAY IT'S WOKE TO, YOU
23 KNOW, ACKNOWLEDGE THE LAND THAT WE'RE ON THAT WAS STOLEN AND
24 YOU KNOW TAKEN THROUGH GENOCIDE. SECONDLY I WANTED TO SPEAK ON
25 ITEM 26. ALSO, WHEN I'D BE CLEAR I'M WITH CENTRAL CSO. I



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1 FOUGHT HARD AGAINST THE EXTERA CHARTER SCHOOL PROJECT THAT WAS
2 GOING TO BE REPLACING A CHURCH IN AN AREA WHERE IT'S ALREADY
3 SATURATED WITH SCHOOLS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS AS WELL, THESE
4 WOULD TAKE AWAY SO MANY SERVICES AND FUNDING, WELL FUNDING,
5 AND THEN TAKE AWAY SERVICES FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT ARE
6 IN THE AREA. IT WOULDN'T HAVE EVEN BEEN A SAFE PLACE FOR
7 STUDENTS. THE PLAN THAT THEY HAD REALLY DIDN'T ADDRESS THE
8 HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE STUDENTS THERE WITH SUCH A STREET SET
9 RATE WITH SO MANY VEHICLES. SO, I'D LIKE TO JUST MAKE SURE
10 THAT THAT PROJECT CEASES AND I'M GLAD THAT IT'S MOVING FORWARD
11 TO THIS PLACE WHERE THEY HAVE LESS LEGS TO STAND ON IN ORDER
12 TO PUSH FOR REVIVING ANY PROJECTS THAT THEY HAVE IN LOS
13 ANGELES. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
16 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
17 THESE ITEM IS NOT CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
18 FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

19
20 **LUISA GALINDO:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

21
22 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LUISA GALINDO AND I AM
23 A PART OF PARENTS AGAINST PRIVATIZATION, EPCP. IN OCTOBER OF
24 2024, JUST LIKE YOU SAW ALL THESE PEOPLE HERE, THE COMMUNITY,
25 ALSO WE SPOKE AND CAME SO THAT THERE WOULDN'T BE A



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1 CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL. OUR COMMUNITY IS GOING THROUGH SO
2 MUCH. I WANT TO SAY THAT THE CONCERN FOR THIS PROJECT OF
3 EXTERA IN THIS INDUSTRY HASN'T CHANGED. SINCE OCTOBER 2024,
4 THIS TOPIC WAS VOTED ON NO. WE SUPPORTED THE ACTION FROM THE
5 BOARD THAT WAS NEGATING CUP FOR EXTERA SCHOOL. EAST LOS
6 ANGELES IS AN ECONOMIC AREA THAT IS CHARGED WITH SOCIAL
7 CHARGE, ECONOMIC CHARGE, AND ALSO A LOT OF TRAFFIC. ONE OF THE
8 CONCERNS FROM THE COMMUNITY WAS TRAFFIC JAMS. AND ALSO, ARE
9 PEOPLE WALKING THE STREETS --

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR
12 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS.

13
14 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
15 BOARD, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 3-15, 17-19,
16 21, 23-49, 51-64, 69, THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I
19 WILL SECOND IT TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS
20 NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER EXECUTIVE OFFICER. PLEASE CALL
21 THE ROLL.

22
23 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AYE.



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

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

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

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AYE.

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12 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.
13 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

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20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

21

22 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION
23 CARRIES, 5 TO 0. MADAM CHAIR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT
24 THERE ARE NO SPECIALS SO WE CAN MOVE ON TO ADJOURNMENTS.

25



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SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE
ADJOURNMENTS IN THIS ORDER, FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, AND
I WILL BE LAST. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT
WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF LOS ANGELES
COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC JERRY W. GUZMAN,
WHO PASSED AWAY OFF DUTY AT HIS HOME ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 15,
2025, AT THE AGE OF 58. JERRY DEDICATED OVER 23 YEARS TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PROTECTING THE LIVES AND PROPERTY OF
RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES. HIRED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
FIRE DEPARTMENT IN APRIL OF 2002, JERRY GRADUATED AS PART OF
THE RECRUIT ACADEMY 111. AS FIREFIGHTER, HE WORKED OUT OF FIRE
STATION 35 IN THE CITY OF CERRITOS, AND FIRE STATION 187 IN
THE CITY OF POMONA. AFTER COMPLETING PARAMEDIC SCHOOL, JERRY
WORKED OUT OF FIRE STATION 92 IN THE COMMUNITY OF LITTLE ROCK,
FIRE STATION 26 IN THE CITY OF LA PUENTE WITH HIS LAST
ASSIGNMENT AT FIRE STATION 32 IN THE CITY OF AZUSA. BORN TO
PARENTS GERALD WARREN AND EILEEN GUZMAN, JERRY GREW UP IN
OAHU, HAWAII WITH HIS BROTHER NICK GUZMAN. JERRY TREASURED
BEING A FAMILY MAN, A FIREFIGHTER AND A FRIEND TO MANY. HE HAD
A FLAIR FOR LIFE AND ENJOYED HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS, FOOTBALL,
TAEKWONDO, IN WHICH HE WAS A BLACK BELT, AND THE MOST
IMPORTANT THING WAS SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY. JERRY WAS
DEDICATED AND AN ESTEEMED FIREFIGHTER. HE POURED EVERY OUNCE



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1 OF COMMITMENT AND CARING INTO HIS DAILY WORK ON EVERY RESPONSE
2 WITHOUT HESITATION OR REGARD FOR HIS OWN SAFETY. HE WAS A
3 SKILLED FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC, ALWAYS APPROACHABLE AND COULD
4 ALWAYS BE COUNTED UPON FOR GUIDANCE AND TO PAY IT FORWARD.
5 JERRY EXEMPLIFIED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CORE VALUES, TOUCHED
6 COUNTLESS LIVES, AND HIS PASSING IS FELT DEEPLY BY ALL WHO
7 KNEW HIM, INCLUDING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
8 FAMILIES. JERRY IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, JUSTIN, MOTHER,
9 EILEEN, GIRLFRIEND, SANDY, AND HER CHILDREN. BROTHER, NICK,
10 EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COLLEAGUES. LEAVE ALL MEMBERS, I
11 WANT TO BE ON THIS. OKAY, PLEASE. AND THEN LASTLY, I MOVE THAT
12 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF MARY
13 GUTIERREZ HUNTER, A FIERCE ADVOCATE FOR WORKING FAMILIES. MARY
14 GUTIERREZ HUNTER WAS A WHITTIER CONSTITUENT WHO SERVED AS A
15 STRATEGIC CAMPAIGNS DIRECTOR FOR SEIU CALIFORNIA, REPRESENTING
16 OVER 700,000 WORKERS. IN HER ROLE, MARY LED THE WORK TO MEET
17 THE UNION'S VISION OF A STRONG EARLY CHILD CARE AND EDUCATION
18 SYSTEM FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND CHILD CARE PROVIDERS. SHE
19 WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CHILD CARE LAW CENTER BOARD OF
20 DIRECTORS IN 2016. MARY WILL BE REMEMBERED NOT ONLY FOR HER
21 WORK WITH SEIU, ADVANCING JUSTICE FOR CHILDREN PROVIDERS
22 THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA, BUT ALSO BRINGING LIGHT IN EVERY ROOM
23 THAT SHE WALKED IN WITH HER SMILE. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE
24 WITH HER LOVED ONES, INCLUDING HER HUSBAND AND DAUGHTER. MAY
25 SHE REST IN PEACE. YES. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
3 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
6 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOUIS NAIDORF, AND IT IS
7 WITH GREAT RESPECT AND SADNESS THAT WE REMEMBER HIS LIFE, THE
8 VISIONARY ARCHITECT BEHIND SOME OF LOS ANGELES' MOST ENDURING
9 LANDMARKS WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 13TH, 2025, THE AGE OF 96.
10 BORN IN LOS ANGELES IN 1928, LOUIS'S PASSION FOR ARCHITECTURE
11 BEGAN AS A CHILD, SKETCHING TOWNS AND STUDYING DESIGN. HIS
12 TALENT AND TENACITY LED HIM TO UC BERKELEY, WHERE HIS MASTER'S
13 THESIS BOLDLY PROPOSED THE CONCEPT OF CIRCULAR OFFICE
14 BUILDINGS, A VISION REALIZED IN HIS MOST ICONIC PROJECT, THE
15 CAPITOL RECORDS BUILDING, COMPLETED IN 1956. THE ROUND TOWER
16 REMAINS ONE OF LOS ANGELES'S MOST BELOVED LANDMARKS AND A
17 SYMBOL OF THE CITY'S CULTURAL IDENTITY. IN ADDITION TO THE
18 CAPITOL RECORDS BUILDING, HIS NOTABLE BODY OF WORK INCLUDES
19 THE SANTA MONICA CIVIC AUDITORIUM, THE NOW DEMOLISHED L.A.
20 MEMORIAL SPORTS ARENA, THE BEVERLY CENTER, THE BEVERLY HILTON
21 HOTEL, AND THE RONALD REAGAN STATE BUILDING. BEYOND LOS
22 ANGELES, HE LED THE SIX-YEAR RESTORATION OF THE CALIFORNIA
23 STATE CAPITOL IN SACRAMENTO AND DESIGNED THE RANCHO MIRAGE
24 RESIDENCE OF FORMER PRESIDENT GERALD FORD AND FIRST LADY BETTY
25 FORD. LOUIS DEDICATED MUCH OF HIS LIFE TO TEACHING AND



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1 MENTORING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ARCHITECTS, SERVING AS CHAIR
2 AND LATER DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AT WOODBURY
3 UNIVERSITY. HIS CAREER EARNED HIM NUMEROUS RECOGNITIONS,
4 INCLUDING THE AIA CALIFORNIA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. KNOWN
5 FOR HIS HUMILITY AND WIT, LOUIS OFTEN SAID THAT HIS GOAL WAS
6 TO CREATE HAPPY BUILDINGS, SPACES THAT UPLIFT BOTH THOSE WHO
7 INHABIT THEM AND THOSE WHO PASS BY. HIS LIFE REFLECTED THAT
8 DREAM. HE WAS A DEVOTED FATHER, GRANDFATHER, GREAT-
9 GRANDFATHER, TEACHER, AND FRIEND WHO NEVER LOST HIS CURIOSITY
10 ABOUT THE WORLD. LOUIS IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER, VICTORIA,
11 4 STEPCHILDREN, 11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 6 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.
12 HIS LEGACY WILL ENDURE IN THE SKYLINES HE SHAPED, THE STUDENTS
13 HE INSPIRED, AND THE JOY HIS DESIGNS CONTINUE TO BRING.
14 AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
15 DAN TANA. IT IS WITH DEEP RESPECT AND SADNESS WE REMEMBER HIS
16 LIFE, THE BELOVED RESTAURATEUR AND FOUNDER OF HIS ICONIC
17 NAMESAKE RESTAURANT ON SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD IN WEST
18 HOLLYWOOD WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 10, 2025, IN BELGRADE,
19 SERBIA AT THE AGE OF 90. DAN'S REMARKABLE JOURNEY TOOK HIM
20 FROM PLAYING PROFESSIONAL SOCCER TO IMMIGRATING TO THE UNITED
21 STATES, WHERE HE PURSUED ACTING BEFORE FINDING HIS TRUE
22 CALLING IN HOSPITALITY. IN 1964, HE OPENED DANTANAS, A WARM
23 ITALIAN RESTAURANT THAT QUICKLY BECAME A FIXTURE IN LOS
24 ANGELES. OVER THE DECADES, THE RESTAURANT EARNED A REPUTATION
25 AS A HOLLYWOOD INSTITUTION, WELCOMING LEGENDS SUCH AS



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1 ELIZABETH TAYLOR, JOHNNY CARSON, AND KIRK DOUGLAS, WHILE ALSO
2 BECOMING A GATHERING PLACE FOR GENERATIONS OF ANGELENOS. WITH
3 ITS CHECKERED TABLECLOTHS, RED BOOTHS, AND MENU ITEMS NAMED
4 AFTER STARS AND NOTABLES, DANTANA'S CREATED AN ATMOSPHERE THAT
5 CAPTURED THE MAGIC OF OLD HOLLYWOOD, WHILE REMAINING DEEPLY
6 ROOTED IN THE COMMUNITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD. EVEN AFTER SELLING
7 THE RESTAURANT IN 2009, DAN'S VISION AND SPIRIT CONTINUED TO
8 LIVE ON IN EVERY DISH, EVERY TABLE, AND EVERY MEMORY MADE
9 THERE. DAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTERS, GABRIELLE
10 AND KATARINA, AS WELL AS COUNTLESS FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS WHO
11 WILL REMEMBER HIS GENEROSITY, CHARM, AND ENDURING
12 CONTRIBUTIONS TO LOS ANGELES'S CULTURAL AND CULINARY HISTORY.
13 THANK YOU.

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

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
18 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CHUCK BENNETT.
19 CHUCK WAS A RESPECTED PHOTO EDITOR, JOURNALIST, AND LONGTIME
20 MEMBER OF THE DAILY BREEZE AND THE PRESS TELEGRAM FAMILY. HE
21 WAS KNOWN FOR HIS PRACTICAL APPROACH TO LEADERSHIP. HE
22 BELIEVED HIS ROLE WAS TO MAKE THE WORK OF HIS COLLEAGUES
23 EASIER, AND IN DOING SO, HE EARNED THEIR TRUST AND RESPECT.
24 WHETHER COVERING BREAKING NEWS, MAJOR COMMUNITY EVENTS LIKE
25 THE LONG BEACH GRAND PRIX, OR THE DAILY LIFE OF OUR



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1 NEIGHBORHOODS, CHUCK CARED ABOUT LOCAL JOURNALISM AND THE
2 PEOPLE WHO PRODUCED IT. OUTSIDE THE NEWSROOM, HE VALUED TIME
3 WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE ENJOYED COOKING, TRAVELING,
4 WATCHING DODGER BASEBALL, AND KEPT CLOSE TIES WITH A CIRCLE OF
5 FRIENDS HE HAD KNOWN SINCE COLLEGE. EVEN AS HE FACED ILLNESS,
6 HE CONTINUED TO WORK AND LIVE WITH A SENSE OF STEADINESS AND
7 GRACE. CHUCK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DENISE, THEIR TWO SONS,
8 CHUCK JR. AND JAMES, HIS PARENTS, CHUCK AND MARY BENNETT, AND
9 HIS SISTER, MARY JOHNSON. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
10 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CLARK DAVIS, WHO PASSED AWAY
11 PEACEFULLY AT THE AGE OF 76. CLARK WAS BORN IN LONG BEACH AND
12 THE SON OF DONALD DAVIS AND LOUISE DAVIS. CLARK EXCELLED IN
13 HIS STUDIES AND SERVED AS CLASS PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
14 AT NARBONNE HIGH SCHOOL. CLARK WAS ALSO AN OUTSTANDING ATHLETE
15 AND EARNED ALL CONFERENCE RECOGNITION IN BOTH BASEBALL AND
16 FOOTBALL AND RECEIVED THE SAME RECOGNITION WHILE PLAYING
17 FOOTBALL AT HARBOR COLLEGE. AFTER COMPLETING COLLEGE, CLARK
18 BECAME A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
19 CLARK WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINATING MEMBERS OF ALADS, THE FIRST
20 UNION FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. CLARK'S CAREER IN LAW
21 ENFORCEMENT WAS CUT SHORT AFTER HE SUFFERED A MAJOR ACCIDENT
22 WHILE ON THE JOB AND HE RETIRED FROM THE FORCE IN 1979.
23 FOLLOWING HIS RETIREMENT, CLARK WORKED AS A PERSONAL BODYGUARD
24 FOR SEVERAL MOVIE STARS AND CELEBRITIES LIKE OLIVIA NEWTON-
25 JOHN, BONNIE FRANKLIN, AND HUGH HEFNER. WHEN SHERM BLOCK RAN



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1 FOR SHERIFF OF LOS ANGELES, HE HIRED CLARK TO BE ONE OF HIS
2 DRIVERS AND BODYGUARDS DURING HIS CAMPAIGN. IMPRESSED BY
3 CLARK'S SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE, SHERIFF BLOCK INTRODUCED HIM TO
4 POLITICAL ADVOCACY AND CLARK WAS HIRED BY ALMA FITCH AND
5 ASSOCIATES. WITHIN THREE YEARS, HE BECAME A PARTNER,
6 EVENTUALLY BECAME THE SOLE OWNER OF THE FIRM WHERE HE
7 REPRESENTED MAJOR CORPORATIONS. CLARK WAS APPOINTED TO MANY
8 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES BY CITY MAYORS, SUPERVISORS, AND CITY
9 COUNCIL MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION, THE
10 PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION, AND THE L.A. CITY TASK FORCE. CLARK
11 SUPPORTED SEVERAL NONPROFITS, INCLUDING THE BOYS AND GIRLS
12 CLUB OF SAN PEDRO, THE HOLLYWOOD WILSHIRE YMCA, THE NORTH
13 VALLEY YMCA, AND THE HOLLENBECK YOUTH CENTER IN EAST LOS
14 ANGELES. CLARK HAS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 52 YEARS, DEBORAH,
15 SON, STEPHEN, AND HIS GRANDDAUGHTER, KIRA. I KNEW CLARK VERY
16 WELL FOR A LONG TIME. HE WAS ALWAYS A CONSUMMATE GENTLEMAN AND
17 ALWAYS WORKED TO BRING EVERYBODY TOGETHER FOR A SOLUTION.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** MAY I BE INCLUDED ON THAT? YES.
20 YEAH, WOW.

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, CLARK DAVIS. QUITE A FIXTURE IN L.A.
23 I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
24 ROBERTA GARCIA, WHO IS THE MOTHER OF PICO RIVERA MAYOR, JOHNNY
25 GARCIA. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82. THE YOUNGEST OF FOUR



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1 CHILDREN, ROBERTA GREW UP HELPING IN THE FAMILY RESTAURANT
2 WHERE SHE DISCOVERED HER LOVE FOR COOKING AND CHERISHED FAMILY
3 TRADITIONS. BEFORE MARRYING HER HUSBAND, JOHN, ROBERTA WORKED
4 AT CLIFTON'S IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES AND LATER SHE WORKED FOR
5 A CATERING TRUCK IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. JOHN AND ROBERTA HAD FOUR
6 CHILDREN TOGETHER. ROBERTA WAS A DEVOTED MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER,
7 GREAT-GRANDMOTHER WHO TREASURED FAMILY GATHERINGS, HOLIDAYS,
8 AND BACKYARD BARBECUES. KNOWN FOR HER WARMTH, HUMOR, AND
9 STRONG FAITH, ROBERTA WAS A LIFELONG CATHOLIC AND CHRISTIAN
10 ATTENDING ST. MARY ANN'S CHURCH AND GIVING GENEROUSLY TO
11 CHARITIES. SHE LOVED MUSIC, DANCING, FRIENDLY COMPETITION IN
12 THE KITCHEN, ESPECIALLY OVER SALSA RECIPES. HER GUIDING WORDS
13 WERE ALWAYS, LET'S ENJOY TODAY AND NOT WORRY ABOUT TOMORROW.
14 ROBERTA WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER STRENGTH, KINDNESS, AND
15 UNCONDITIONAL LOVE. ROBERTA'S LEGACY LIVES ON THROUGH HER
16 CHILDREN, INCLUDING MAYOR JOHNNY GARCIA, HER GRANDCHILDREN,
17 HER GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND ALL WHO WERE BLESSED TO KNOW HER.
18 I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
19 OF SAMUEL SKIP KEESAL JR. SKIP KEESAL WAS A LEGENDARY LEGAL
20 GIANT, PHILANTHROPIST, AND DEAR FRIEND TO SO MANY IN LONG
21 BEACH AND ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. SKIP WASN'T JUST A LAWYER, HE
22 WAS A PILLAR IN THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY. IN 1970, HE FOUNDED
23 THE CITY'S PREEMINENT LAW FIRM, KEESAL, YOUNG AND LOGAN, WHICH
24 BECAME ONE OF THE MOST RESPECTED LAW FIRMS IN THE COUNTY WITH
25 OFFICES IN LONG BEACH, SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE, ANCHORAGE, AND



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1 HONG KONG. THAT SHOULD HAVE SAID LAW FIRMS IN THE COUNTRY.
2 DURING HIS LEGAL CAREER, SKIP WAS NAMED ON COUNTLESS BEST
3 LAWYER LISTS AND RECEIVED MANY ACCOLADES FOR HIS WORK AS A
4 LITIGATOR. IN 1990, KEESAL WAS INDUCTED INTO THE INTERNATIONAL
5 ACADEMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS, A PRESTIGIOUS GROUP TOTALING ONLY
6 500 MEMBERS IN THE WORLD. FROM THE PORTS OF LONG BEACH AND LOS
7 ANGELES TO BOARDROOMS ACROSS THE NATION, SKIP'S INTEGRITY,
8 BRILLIANCE, AND SENSE OF FAIRNESS EARNED HIM ADMIRATION FAR
9 BEYOND THE COURTROOM. BUT WHAT TRULY MADE SKIP SPECIAL WAS HIS
10 GENEROUS GIVING TO SO MANY NONPROFITS IN THE LONG BEACH
11 COMMUNITY. HE GAVE BACK CONSTANTLY, NOT FOR THE RECOGNITION,
12 BUT BECAUSE HE BELIEVED IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. FOR
13 YEARS ON THE 14TH FLOOR DINING ROOM OF HIS DOWNTOWN LONG BEACH
14 OFFICE, HE FAMOUSLY HOSTED EVERYTHING FROM SMALL RECEPTIONS TO
15 LUNCHEONS AND DINNERS FEATURING WORLD LEADERS, PRESIDENTS AND
16 ENTERTAINERS, ALWAYS FOR CHARITABLE CAUSES. HIS PHOTO WALL ON
17 THAT 14TH FLOOR WAS A CATALOG OF WHO'S WHO IN THE POLITICAL
18 WORLD. I'VE HAD THE HONOR OF KNOWING SKIP AND HIS WIFE BETH
19 FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS ALWAYS GRACIOUS AND HUMBLE AND GENEROUS
20 WITH HIS TIME AND HIS WISDOM. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND TO MY
21 BROTHER AND ME. THE LAST TIME I WAS ABLE TO SEE HIM, HE WAS
22 RECEIVING THE KEYS TO THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY, ESPECIALLY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, HAS LOST ONE OF ITS
24 CHAMPIONS. SKIP'S LEGACY WILL LIVE ON IN THE INSTITUTIONS HE
25 HELPED BUILD, THE PEOPLE HE MENTORED, AND THE LIVES HE



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1 TOUCHED. HE SURVIVED BY HIS BELOVED WIFE, BETH, WHO YOU COULD
2 ALWAYS FIND THEM HOLDING HANDS WHEREVER THEY WERE. THREE
3 CHILDREN, CATHERINE, CAROLYN, STEPHEN, AND HOPE, AND GRANDSON,
4 JACKSON. AND MY LAST ONE, MADAM CHAIR, TODAY IS I MOVE THAT
5 WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TOM BOST. I WANT
6 TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR LETTING ME ADJOURN FOR MY
7 REALLY GOOD FRIEND, EVEN THOUGH HE LIVED IN YOUR DISTRICT. A
8 LONGTIME DODGER FAN, COLLEGE PROFESSOR, LAWYER, TOM BOST
9 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. HE WAS BORN IN OKLAHOMA CITY,
10 RAISED IN NEW MEXICO BEFORE ATTENDING COLLEGE AT ABILENE
11 CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY IN TEXAS. IT WAS HERE THAT TOM MET HIS
12 WIFE AND HIS PARTNER AND HIS BEST FRIEND, SHEILA. AFTER
13 COLLEGE, TOM WENT TO LAW SCHOOL AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY AND
14 SHORTLY AFTER GRADUATING FIRST IN HIS CLASS, HE AND SHEILA
15 MOVED TO LOS ANGELES. THEY ENJOYED LIVING IN PARK LA BREA AND
16 MAR VISTA BEFORE SETTLING IN SANTA MONICA, WHERE THEY STARTED
17 THEIR FAMILY. SOON AFTER HIS ARRIVAL IN L.A., TOM SERVED AS AN
18 ASSOCIATE AND PARTNER FOR 31 YEARS AT LATHAM AND WATKINS. TOM
19 WENT ON TO TEACH LAW AT PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AS A TENURED
20 PROFESSOR AND SERVED AS AN ASSOCIATE DEAN AND CHAIR OF
21 PEPPERDINE'S BOARD OF REGENTS. AS A SEASON TICKET HOLDER, TOM
22 ALSO ENJOYED ATTENDING MANY GAMES TO WATCH PEPPERDINE'S MEN'S
23 BASKETBALL TEAM. ONE OF TOM'S GREAT LOVES OUTSIDE OF HIS
24 FAMILY WAS THE CULVER PALMS CHURCH OF CHRIST. TOM AND SHEILA
25 RAISED THEIR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN AT THIS CHURCH WHERE



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1 TOM SERVED AS AN ELDER. WHETHER CHEERING AT A GAME OR OFFERING
2 A QUIET WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT, TOM'S WARMTH AND PRESENCE LEFT
3 AN INDELIBLE MARK ON EVERYONE WHO KNEW HIM. I WAS FORTUNATE TO
4 KNOW THIS FAMILY VERY WELL AND I THINK MY SON MARK ACTUALLY
5 KNEW SOME OF TOM'S KIDS. TOM IS SURVIVED BY WIFE SHEA, FOUR
6 CHILDREN, TWO DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW AND 12 GRANDCHILDREN. THANK
7 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
10 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF CARTER BARTON SPRUILL,
11 SENIOR, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PALMDALE WHO PASSED AWAY ON
12 AUGUST 1ST AT THE AGE OF 68. CARTER GREW UP IN COMPTON AS THE
13 YOUNGEST OF NINE CHILDREN TO WILLIAM AND OLIVIA SPRUILL. HE
14 PLAYED FOOTBALL AT SENTINEL HIGH SCHOOL AND THEN COMPTON CITY
15 COLLEGE WHERE HE EARNED THE TITLE OF ALL CITY IN FOOTBALL
16 BEFORE BEING RECRUITED TO UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY. HE
17 TRANSFERRED TO THE HBCU SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY HELPING LEAD HIS
18 TEAM TO THE HISTORIC 1979 BAYOU CLASSIC VICTORY. CARTER SPENT
19 A BRIEF STINT IN THE NFL WITH THE SEATTLE SEAHAWKS. HE OFTEN
20 SAID, ALTHOUGH I DIDN'T CONTINUE AS A PRO FOOTBALLER, I BECAME
21 AN ALL-PRO WELDER. CARTER HAD A FOUR-DECADE CAREER AS WELDING
22 FOREMAN, STRUCTURAL STEEL INSPECTOR, AND WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF
23 OPERATING ENGINEER'S LOCAL 12 UNION. IN A FIELD WHERE HE WAS
24 OFTEN THE ONLY BLACK MAN AT HIS LEVEL IN LOS ANGELES, CARTER
25 EARNED IMMENSE RESPECT, NOT JUST FOR HIS SKILL, BUT FOR HIS



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1 LEADERSHIP AND HIS INTEGRITY. HE WORKED ON SOME OF
2 CALIFORNIA'S MOST NOTABLE PROJECTS, INCLUDING SAN FRANCISCO
3 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, UCLA MEDICAL CENTER, THE LOS ANGELES
4 SUBWAY STATION, ALONG WITH SEVERAL SCHOOLS AND HIGH-RISE
5 BUILDINGS. AFTER RETIREMENT, HE GAVE BACK AS A SENIOR
6 INSTRUCTOR. CARTER'S GREATEST LEGACY IS HIS FAMILY. HE
7 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 32 YEARS, TONI, AND A BLENDED FAMILY
8 OF SEVEN CHILDREN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, A BROTHER, A SISTER,
9 NUMEROUS NIECES, NEPHEWS, GRANDNIECES, AND GRANDNEPHEWS. WE
10 ARE PRIVILEGED TO HAVE SEVERAL OF CARTER'S LOVED ONES JOINING
11 US TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM,
12 INCLUDING HIS BELOVED WIFE, TONI, DAUGHTER, CASEY SPRUILL
13 PIERCE, DAUGHTER, ERICA WALTERS, DAUGHTER, AMANDA CURIE, SON,
14 CARTER CHAZ SPRUILL, SISTER, STEPHANIE SPRUILL, SON-IN-LAW,
15 STONEISH PIERCE, GRANDDAUGHTER, THE BEAUTIFUL GRANDDAUGHTER,
16 IRENE PIERCE, BROTHER-IN-LAW, MELVIN BREWSTER, AND THEIR DEAR
17 FAMILY FRIEND, CYNTHIA MITCHELL HURD, WHO WE ALL KNOW IS THE
18 PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE L.A. URBAN LEAGUE. YEAH. CARTER LIVED
19 BOLDLY WITH FAITH, PERSEVERANCE, AND JOY. AND HIS MEMORY WILL
20 CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL WHO KNEW HIM. YOUR PRESENCE IS A
21 TESTAMENT TO CARTER'S REMARKABLE LIFE AND TO HIS LEGACY. THANK
22 YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TODAY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN,
23 THANK YOU, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MERRICK BOBB, A PROMINENT
24 FIGURE OF THE MODERN POLICE OVERSIGHT MOVEMENT IN LOS ANGELES
25 AND ACROSS THE NATION WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 28, 2025, AT



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1 THE AGE OF 79. A RESIDENT OF LOS FELIZ FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS,
2 MERRICK DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO ADVANCING JUSTICE,
3 ACCOUNTABILITY, AND CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. HE
4 BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE
5 CHRISTOPHER COMMISSION, WHICH INVESTIGATED USE OF FORCE WITHIN
6 LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER THE 1991 BEATING OF RODNEY
7 KING. HE LATER SERVED FOR TWO DECADES AS A SPECIAL COUNSEL TO
8 LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DELIVERING LANDMARK REPORTS
9 THAT BROUGHT TO LIGHT PERVASIVE ISSUES WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S
10 DEPARTMENT AND DRIVING MEANINGFUL REFORMS. IN 2001, MERRICK
11 FOUNDED THE POLICE ASSESSMENT RESOURCE CENTER, A NON-PROFIT
12 DEDICATED TO PROMOTING EFFECTIVE AND PUBLICLY ACCOUNTABLE
13 POLICING. HE ALSO SERVED AS A FEDERAL MONITOR OF THE SEATTLE
14 POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CONSENT DECREE WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF
15 JUSTICE, A ROLE HE HELD UNTIL 2020. HIS COURAGE, INTELLECT,
16 AND DEDICATION MADE HIM RESPECTED LEADER IN THE FIELD OF
17 OVERSIGHT AND REFORM, HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED. MERRICK IS
18 SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, MATTHEW AND JONATHAN, FOUR
19 GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS SISTER, GLORIA KERN. AND LAST, I MOVE
20 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID LOERA, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
21 SIERRA MADRE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 16. DAVE SERVED AS AN
22 OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY WHERE HE RECEIVED THE
23 VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS, THE REPUBLIC OF
24 VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL AND THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL. AFTER
25 HIS MILITARY SERVICE, LOERA HELD LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE



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1 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WAR POST-3208, INCLUDING COMMANDER AND
2 QUARTERMASTER. HE ALSO SERVED AS COMMANDER OF THE VFW DISTRICT
3 11, WHERE HE WORKED ON BEHALF OF VETERANS THROUGHOUT THE
4 ENTIRE REGION. HE CONTRIBUTED TO EFFORTS THAT RESULTED IN THE
5 RENAMING OF THE SIERRA MADRE POST OFFICE IN 2016, AND AFTER
6 WORLD WAR II, VETERAN LOUIS VAN IEREL. HE ALSO SUPPORTED THE
7 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VA VETERANS' OUTPATIENT CLINIC IN
8 ARCADIA, PARTICIPATING IN MEETINGS, TOWN HALLS, AND ADVOCACY
9 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS. IN 2014, SIERRA MADRE
10 NAMED LOERA THE CITY'S CITIZEN OF THE YEAR, CITING HIS RECORD
11 IN VOLUNTEERISM. HE SERVED AS A RESERVE POLICE OFFICER FOR THE
12 CITY OF SIERRA MADRE FOR TEN YEARS AND COACHED SPORTS
13 INCLUDING TEE BALL, LITTLE LEAGUE, PONY, COLT BASEBALL, AND
14 AYSO SOCCER. HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE ST. RITA'S MEN'S CLUB,
15 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE SIERRA MADRE KIWANIS CLUB AND A MEMBER
16 OF THE UTILITY USERS TAX OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. LOERA WAS ALSO
17 ACTIVE IN CIVIC PROJECTS INCLUDING SUPPORTING THE CITY'S
18 FOURTH OF JULY PARADE, FUNDRAISING FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE
19 DAPPER FIELD, AND CONTRIBUTING TO THE REPLACEMENT OF THE
20 BLEACHERS AT HEASLEY FIELD. HE RECEIVED THE CONGRESSIONAL
21 RECOGNITION FOR HIS WORK ON BEHALF OF VETERANS IN 2024. DAVE
22 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, TERRY, HIS FIVE CHILDREN, AND HIS
23 GREATEST JOY, HIS GRANDCHILDREN. WE WILL NOW TAKE ALL THESE
24 MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS
25 VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU



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1 PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION?

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3 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
4 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
6 NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, FESIA DAVENPORT
7 AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
8 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

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10 **[CLOSED SESSION]**

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12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE
13 READ ANY REPORT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION?

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15 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF
16 ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2025. ITEM
17 NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, FESIA DAVENPORT
18 AND DESIGNATED STAFF. NO REPORT OF ACTION WAS TAKEN.

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20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS BOARD MEETING IS
21 ADJOURNED UNTIL TUESDAY AT 9:30, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH. THANK
22 YOU.

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24 I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
25 qualified in and for the State of California, do



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1 hereby certify:

2 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
3 Angeles County Board of Supervisors September 2, 2025, were
4 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
5 supervision;

6 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
7 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
8 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
9 me.

10 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
11 related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise
12 interested in the outcome thereof.

13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
14 12th day of September 2025, for the County records to be used
15 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
16 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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18 KATHRYN J. ROBSON

19 CA CSR No. 5439

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