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BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2026

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING EVERYONE, AND WELCOME. WELCOME TO TODAY'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 13TH, 2026. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT AND THE ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST YOU. BUT COLLEAGUES BEFORE WE BEGIN I WOULD LIKE TO HOLD A MOMENT OF SILENCE TODAY TO HONOR THE MANY VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE CONNECTED TO FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT. THIS INCLUDES RENEE NICOLE GOOD, WHO WAS FATALLY SHOT BY A U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT AGENT IN MINNEAPOLIS LAST WEEK. TWO PEOPLE SHOT BY FEDERAL AGENTS DURING AN I.C.E. OPERATION IN PORTLAND. KEITH PORTER RIGHT HERE IN NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA. SILVEIRO VILLEGAS GONZALEZ IN CHICAGO AND MANY OTHERS. THESE ARE MOTHERS, FATHERS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS AND VALUED MEMBERS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES. THEIR LOSS LEAVES A VOID FOR THOSE FRIENDS AND FAMILIES WHO WILL NEVER GET TO HUG THEIR LOVED ONES AGAIN. WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES WHO ARE MOURNING ACROSS THIS COUNTRY. THIS MOMENT OF SILENCE IS NOT JUST A GESTURE OF GRIEF, BUT A CALL FOR JUSTICE. OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES DESERVE SAFETY, DIGNITY AND PROTECTION. AND THEIR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS DESERVE THE RIGHT TO PROTEST LEGALLY WITHOUT THE FEAR THAT THEIR LIVES ARE

AT RISK. WE HONOR THESE LIVES TODAY TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT FORGOTTEN. LET US NOW TAKE A MOMENT TO REFLECT ON THESE LIVES AND THE WORK THAT REMAINS TO PROTECT THE DIGNITY OF ALL PEOPLE. WILL YOU PLEASE STAND IN A MOMENT OF SILENCE WITH ME. THANK YOU.

[MOMENT OF SILENCE]

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL NOW START THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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

LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER. FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION, YUHAAVIATAM OF SAN MANUEL NATION, SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, COASTAL BAND OF CHUMASH NATION, GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION, GABRIELINO TONGVA TRIBE. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE AT LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY LEAD PASTOR JOSHUA KAPCHINSKY, GRANITE CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH OF CLAREMONT FROM THE 5TH DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WHICH WILL BE LED BY VERONICA HERNANDEZ, FORMER E-5 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS LOS ANGELES FROM THE 1ST DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE JOIN ME AND STAND.

PASTOR JOSHUA KAPCHINSKY: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS PASTOR JOSHUA KAPCHINSKY. I HAVE THE HONOR OF LEADING THE INVOCATION TODAY. MY WIFE AND I, WE PASTOR A LITTLE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN CLAREMONT CALLED GRANITE CREEK

COMMUNITY CHURCH. AND CLAREMONT IS A BEAUTIFUL LITTLE CITY IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT. IT IS AFFECTIONATELY REFERRED TO AS THE CITY OF TREES AND PHDS. KNOWN FOR ITS CULTURE AND CREATIVITY, CURIOSITY, AND OF COURSE, EDUCATION. AND LIKE MANY CITIES WITHIN OUR GREAT COUNTY, IT'S HURTING. IT'S LOST A BIT OF ITS IDENTITY. AND WHERE ONCE IT WAS CURIOUS, THAT CURIOSITY IS GIVEN AWAY TO CYNICISM. AND ONCE WHERE IT WAS CREATIVE, IT'S LOST SOME OF ITS CREATIVITY DUE TO DIVISIVENESS AND DIVISION. AT GRANITE CREEK, WE'VE MADE THE DECISION TO PREACH, IF YOU WILL, TO BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE. AND I DID A LITTLE SURVEY, AND IT SEEMS THAT HALF OF MY CONGREGATION ARE DEMOCRATS, AND THE OTHER HALF ARE REPUBLICAN. AND WELL, TO BE FRANK, THAT'S NOT THE BEST CHURCH GROWTH MODEL TO TAKE. AND IT IS ONLY BY THE GRACE OF GOD THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO KEEP THE PEACE WITH PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT OPINIONS AND DIFFERENT IDEAS. AND SO, I BELIEVE THAT IF A LITTLE COMMUNITY CHURCH CAN PUT AWAY SOME DIFFERENCES AND CHOOSE TO HAVE RELATIONSHIP, HONEST CONVERSATIONS OVER POLITICAL DIVISIONS. I'M NOT SAYING THAT THOSE AREN'T IMPORTANT, BUT WE AS ANGELENOS, WE CAN CHOOSE UNITY OVER DIVISION. IT IS A CHOICE AND IT'S NOT A FEELING. AND SO, I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO PRAY WITH ME AND MAYBE IN YOUR OWN WAY. YES, I'M A CHRISTIAN PASTOR, BUT THERE IS A THERE'S A BLESSING FROM SECOND CHRONICLES THAT APPLIES TO JEWS AND GENTILES AND MUSLIMS, HINDUS, AGNOSTICS, EVEN ATHEISTS. EVEN POLITICIANS CAN PRAY THIS PRAYER. EVEN LAWYERS. THIS

BLESSING COMES FROM CHRONICLES, SECOND CHRONICLES, AND IT STATES THIS, IF MY PEOPLE WHO ARE CALLED UPON MY NAME, THAT'S US, ANGELENOS, IF WE WILL HUMBLE OURSELVES, PRAY AND SEEK THE DIVINE'S FACE. I WILL HEAR FROM HEAVEN. I WILL FORGIVE THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS AND THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO GET. I WILL HEAL THEIR LAND. AND SO, WOULD YOU BOW YOUR HEAD NO MATTER WHAT YOUR BELIEFS ARE? AND WILL YOU ASK THE GREAT SPIRIT OR THE GOD OF THE BIBLE OR MAYBE EVEN SOCIETY, WOULD YOU MAKE A PLEA TO THE DIVINE TO HEAL OUR LAND? SO, CREATOR GOD, WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD HEAL THIS LAND FROM DARKNESS AND DIVISION. TURN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS BACK TO TRUE COMMUNITIES. LET OUR CITIES GENERATE LIFE, CREATIVITY, AND SHARED PROSPERITY. MAY THE 5TH DISTRICT NOT ONLY BE HEALED, BUT MAY IT THRIVE. MAY THE ENTIRE COUNTY NOT ONLY HEAL, BUT MAY IT THRIVE. I ASK A SPECIAL BLESSING OVER MY LEADER, KATHRYN BARGER. I PRAY RIGHT NOW THAT YOU WILL GRANT HER WISDOM, COURAGE, AND DIVINE CREATIVITY TO SOLVE SOME OF THE WORLD'S BIGGEST PROBLEMS. WE ASK THAT YOU WILL BLESS HER AND THE PEOPLE THAT SHE REPRESENTS RICHLY. WE PRAY THE SAME ENCOURAGEMENT AND BLESSING OVER THE REST OF THE DIRECTORS. I PRAY THIS IN THE NAME OF JESUS, AMEN. THANK YOU.

VERONICA HERNADEZ: GOOD MORNING. PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF

AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. THANK YOU.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: NO PRESSURE ON ME RIGHT NOW TO SOLVE ALL THE WORLD'S PROBLEMS. I'M FEELING WAY TO THE WORLD. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING JOSHUA KAPCHINSKY, LEAD PASTOR OF GRANITE CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH IN CLAREMONT. LET'S GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. JOSHUA HAS SERVED IN FULL-TIME MINISTRY FOR 25 YEARS AND HAS LED GRANITE CREEK FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS. HE EARNED A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY FROM WESTMONT COLLEGE. HE SERVES ON THE BOARD OF KIDCARE INTERNATIONAL, SUPPORTING LOCAL AND GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS. THANK YOU FOR THAT. KIDCARE'S FOOD BANK SERVES MORE THAN 18,000 INDIVIDUALS ANNUALLY AND PARTNERS WITH CITIES AND BUSINESSES TO REDIRECT SURPLUS FOOD UNDER SB 1383. AND I'M SURE YOU'RE SEEING THE NEED GO UP EACH AND EVERY DAY. PRIOR TO THE MINISTRY, JOSHUA WAS A NATION'S YOUNGEST MUSEUM DIRECTOR AT THE CARPELES MANUSCRIPT MUSEUM AND LATER OWNED AN IMPORT ANTIQUE BUSINESS. JOSHUA AND HIS WIFE, MIKO, ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT DEVELOPING NEW LEADERS, SUPPORTING THE ARTS AND BUILDING UP THEIR COMMUNITY GROUNDED IN FAITH AND SERVICE. THANK YOU FOR LEADING US TODAY, BUT ALSO THANK YOU FOR INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE. AND I PROMISE YOU, I CAN SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THIS BOARD EACH AND EVERY TUESDAY WHEN WE COME HERE AND MAKE DECISIONS, IT IS WITH THE HOPE THAT WE CAN LEAD BY

EXAMPLE AND MAKE CHANGES IN THIS COUNTY THAT WILL REFLECT REALLY THE CONSTITUENTS AND THE BETTERMENT OF NOT ONLY THE COUNTY BUT THE NATION. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR INSPIRATIONAL WORDS. LET'S GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TODAY THE BOARD IS HONORED TO HAVE SERGEANT VERONICA HERNANDEZ LEAD THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. SERGEANT HERNANDEZ SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS FROM AUGUST 29, 2005, TO JANUARY 10, 2017, RISING TO THE RANK OF SERGEANT AND SPECIALIZING AS A RADIO OPERATOR WITH COMBAT LOGISTICS REGIMENT 17. DURING HER SERVICE, SHE DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, WHERE SHE SERVED IN THE THEATER IN IRAQ. HER EXEMPLARY SERVICE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED WITH NUMEROUS DECORATIONS, INCLUDING THE NAVY, MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, THE IRAQ CAMPAIGN MEDAL, THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, THE MARINE CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, AND THREE RIBBONS, THE SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON AND THE NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION WITH TWO AWARDS AMONG OTHERS. FOLLOWING HER MILITARY SERVICE, SERGEANT HERNANDEZ HAS CONTINUED HER COMMITMENT TO SERVICE HERE AT HOME. SHE CURRENTLY WORKS WITH THE JVS SOUTHERN CAL VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK IN THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1, SERVING AS A SQUAD LEADER WHERE SHE SUPPORTS VETERANS BY FOSTERING CONNECTION, PEER SUPPORT, AND ACCESS TO CRITICAL SERVICES. HER DEDICATION HAS MADE HER AN

IMPORTANT LEADER IN THE VETERAN COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR WOMEN VETERANS WHOM SHE CONTINUES TO UPLIFT AND CHAMPION. SERGEANT HERNANDEZ HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR EIGHT YEARS AND IS A PROUD MOTHER OF FIVE CHILDREN, BRANDON, LEVAN, SAVANNAH, KAREEM, AND KADEN. RAISED IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, SHE GRADUATED FROM OAKLAND TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL AND LATER ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX. OUTSIDE OF HER PROFESSIONAL WORK, SHE REMAINS ACTIVE IN HER COMMUNITY AND ENJOYS PLAYING SOFTBALL AT CHEVIOT HILLS RECREATION CENTER, WHERE CAMARADERIE AND TEAMWORK CONTINUE TO PLAY A MEANINGFUL ROLE IN HER LIFE. SHE ALSO TREASURES TIME SPENT WITH HER FAMILY, WHICH REMAINS A SOURCE OF MOTIVATION AND PRIDE FOR HER. SERGEANT HERNANDEZ REPRESENTS THE VERY BEST OF OUR VETERAN COMMUNITY AS A MARINE, AS A MOTHER, AS A PEER LEADER, AND AN ADVOCATE COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO SERVED NEVER WALK ALONE. I'M HONORED TO PRESENT THIS CERTIFICATE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SERGEANT VERONICA HERNANDEZ FOR HER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, TO THE COUNTY, AND TO THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT HAVE SERVED OUR GREAT COUNTRY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. PLEASE JOIN ME. NOW WE'LL HAVE THE PET PRESENTATION. SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU'RE ON.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS AN AMAZING DOG. I WANT YOU ALL TO MEET CASH. CASH IS A 1 1/2 YEAR OLD AMERICAN BULLY. SHE'S GOT A BIG PERSONALITY AND A LOT OF

PLAYFUL ENERGY AND BELIEVE ME, A HUGE HEART. CASH IS DEAF, BUT THAT DOES NOT STOP HER FROM STAYING ENGAGED AND DEFINITELY WELL TRAINED, UNDERSTANDS SIGN LANGUAGE. SHE IS VERY SMART AND EAGER TO LEARN. IF YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE THIS HAPPY, AFFECTIONATE GIRL THE LOVE SHE DESERVES, YOU CAN CALL THE AGOURA CARE CENTER AT 818-991-0071 TO ADOPT HER. CASH IS TRULY A SMART, SMART DOG AND IS JUST LOOKING FOR A FOREVER HOME. CASH, I KEPT CALLING HER UPSTAIRS AND I FORGET. BUT SHE DOES KNOW SIGN LANGUAGE. HI, BABY. SO, WITH THAT, AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN FOR OUR PET FROM PALMDALE. THIS IS NOVA. NOVA IS ENERGETIC FIVE-YEAR-OLD GERMAN SHEPHERD MIX. STAFF SAYS SHE WOWS THEM WITH HER SIGNATURE MOVE, A JOYFUL SPIN WITH A LITTLE BOUNCE. SHE'S EAGER TO PLEASE AND IS EXTRA WILLING TO LEARN WHEN TREATS ARE INVOLVED, SIMILAR TO CASH. IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR AN ACTIVE DOG WITH A LOT OF CHARM, NOVA IS YOUR GIRL. YOU CAN CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT 661-575-2888 TO MAKE HER YOURS. AND ALSO, JUST A REMINDER THAT WE ARE LOOKING, IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A FELINE FRIEND ADOPTION FEES ARE JUST $26 FOR CATS THROUGHOUT JANUARY YOU CAN VISIT ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV TO SEE ALL THE PETS AWAITING A HOME. THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOY. I'D LOVE TO SEE THE SIGN LANGUAGE AND HOW THE PET RESPONDS. WOW. AMAZING. THANK YOU SO MUCH, KATHRYN BARGER. NOW WE'LL TURN TO THE

EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA FOR TODAY.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER 1. ON SET MATTER 1, THIS IS A REPORT BY THE ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL ON THE PLAN DEVELOPED TO SUPPORT REPRESENTED LOS ANGELES HOUSING SERVICES AUTHORITY WORKERS. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 2 THROUGH 12. ON ITEMS 3 AND 5, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD ALSO THIS INCLUDES REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA SUPERVISOR HORVATH WOULD LIKE TO BE REGISTERED AS A NO VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ON ITEM 7 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR HAHN REVISED HER MOTION TO REMOVE “NECESSARY EQUIPMENT” FROM THE RECOMMENDATION. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 11, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 13-55. ON ITEM 15, THIS INCLUDES A CORRECTION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 25, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 42, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 10, 2026. ON ITEM 49, SUPERVISOR SOLIS

REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 3, 2026, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 42, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA ITEMS 53A THROUGH 53G ON ITEM 53B SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD ON ITEM 53E SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 53G, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 43, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 56. ON PAGE 44, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ITEM CS1 THROUGH CS10. ON ITEM CS7, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT ONE CASE BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JANUARY 27, 2026, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM CS10, THIS IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR. THE REQUEST FOR REFER BACK IN CONTINUANCES THROUGH CS10 ARE BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION? THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF

CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN

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

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL BE THE FOLLOWING. ITEM 3, FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD, INCLUDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS. THEN WE'LL TURN TO SET MATTER 1, ITEMS 11 AND 5, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 25, 53B, 53E, AND 53G. THEN WE'LL HAVE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND FINISHING WITH CLOSED SESSION MATTERS. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY. TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE IF YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV TO REGISTER AND JOIN THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL 213-306-3065 AND USE ACCESS CODE 25318518251 AND THE MEETING PASSWORD 2672026. YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS. FOR ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF UP TO SIX MINUTES. WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK,

IF REGISTERED ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED. IF YOU ARE ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED. IF YOU ARE ON A TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, YOUR AREA CODE AND THE FIRST THREE DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER WILL BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE HEAR 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 BOARD ROOM. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 3, MOTION TO PROCLAIM JANUARY 24TH OF EACH YEAR AS ROBERT VARGAS DAY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON A TELEPHONE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS MOTION TODAY IN ADVANCE OF JANUARY 24TH, WHEN WE WILL BE CELEBRATING THIS YEAR AND EVERY YEAR GOING FORWARD, ROBERT VARGAS DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MADAM CHAIR, FOR JOINING ME AND BRINGING

FORWARD THIS MOTION TO PROCLAIM JANUARY 24TH AS ROBERT VARGAS DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TODAY, WE RECOGNIZE ROBERT FOR HIS LIFELONG COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY-CENTERED PUBLIC ART, AS WELL AS THE IMPACT THAT ROBERT'S MURALS CAN HAVE AS WE CELEBRATE THEIR STRENGTH, COMPASSION, AND CULTURAL PRIDE. HIS MURALS HAVE TRANSFORMED PUBLIC SPACES INTO SHARED CULTURAL LANDMARKS, REINFORCING THE COUNTY'S PLACE AS A GLOBAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC ART. ROBERT IS A LOS ANGELES COUNTY NATIVE RAISED IN BOYLE HEIGHTS AND HAS DEEP ROOTS HERE, WHICH ARE EVIDENT IN EVERYTHING THAT HE CREATES. HE BEGAN PAINTING MURALS AT THE AGE OF 10 AND COMPLETED HIS FIRST PUBLICLY EXHIBITED MURAL AT 16. OVER TIME, HIS WORK HELPED TO SHAPE THE ARTISTIC RENAISSANCE OF DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, BRINGING ART INTO CIVIC SPACES AND MAKING IT ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE. HIS ART REFLECTS LIVED EXPERIENCE, CULTURAL IDENTITY, AND THE STORIES OF EVERYDAY PEOPLE. AND I CAN REALLY SPEAK TO THAT BECAUSE I FIRST MET ROBERT WHEN HE WAS PAINTING A MURAL IN WEST HOLLYWOOD THAT DEPICTED SOMEONE WHO HE SAW EVERY DAY IN THE COMMUNITY. MAYBE SOMEBODY WHO WASN'T KNOWN TO PEOPLE WHO MIGHT CONSIDER THEM WEST HOLLYWOOD REGULARS OR WEST HOLLYWOOD LIFERS, BUT SOMEBODY WHO IS OF THE COMMUNITY. AND I THINK THE WAY THAT HE SEES COMMUNITY AND IS ABLE TO EXPRESS THAT HELPS TO SHAPE AND TRANSFORM COMMUNITY. HIS ART REFLECTS LIVED EXPERIENCE AND HIS WORKS DON'T JUST LIVE ON WALLS. THEY BRING TO LIFE OUR COMMUNITIES SO THEY FEEL SEEN, REPRESENTED, AND

CONNECTED. HIS WORK HAS ALSO BEEN A SOURCE OF HEALING AND REFLECTION FROM HONORING THE VOLUNTEERS AND CLIENTS AT PROJECT ANGEL FOOD IN HOLLYWOOD, WHERE HE RECENTLY DID A BEAUTIFUL MURAL I GET TO SEE EVERY MORNING, WHICH I SO APPRECIATE. AND I THINK THE STORY BEHIND IT IS SO MUCH MORE MEANINGFUL, ESPECIALLY WITH ALL THAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING TODAY AND ALL WE EXPERIENCED IN 2025. AND RECENTLY, HE MEMORIALIZED THE STRENGTH OF THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY AFTER THE EATON FIRE AND I KNOW THAT HIS WORK HAS TOUCHED LIVES ALL OVER THE WORLD. SO PROCLAIMING JANUARY 24TH AS ROBERT VARGAS DAY RECOGNIZES THE POWER OF PUBLIC ART TO UPLIFT COMMUNITIES AND TO INSPIRE FUTURE GENERATIONS. AND I KNOW THIS DATE IS ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL AS IT COINCIDES WITH HIS MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY, UNDERSCORING THE ROLE OF FAMILY AND HERITAGE IN SHAPING WHO WE ARE. I WANT TO THANK YOU, ROBERT, FOR GIVING US SO MUCH MORE COLOR AND BEAUTY IN THE WORLD AND FOR LETTING PEOPLE FEEL SEEN AND UNDERSTOOD. YOU HELPED TO EXPORT THE VALUES AND CREATIVITY OF LOS ANGELES ALL OVER THE WORLD SO WE FEEL THE IMPACT OF OUR COMMUNITY AND PLACES AS WE TRAVEL. AND SO, THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS EXACTLY WHO WE ARE THROUGH YOUR WORK. AND SO NEXT, IT WILL BE MY PLEASURE TO WELCOME YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS HERE, AND THEN MY COLLEAGUES WILL HAVE REMARKS TO SHARE AND WE'LL TAKE A PHOTO TOGETHER. BUT I DO WANT TO WELCOME ROBERT VARGAS, WHOM WE HAVE THE HONOR OF HAVING HERE WITH US TODAY.

ROBERT VARGAS: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, AND THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE, WORDS CAN'T EXPRESS THE GRATITUDE I FEEL, AND I'M HUMBLED BY THIS MOMENTOUS HONOR. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE PRESENT HERE, MY SUPPORTERS NEAR AND FAR, THOSE WATCHING ONLINE AND AROUND THE WORLD, I APPRECIATE YOU. THANK YOU TO MY BEAUTIFUL FAMILY, MY MOTHER, HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MOM, MY BROTHER JAMES, MY SISTER ERIN, AND MY FATHER WHO PASSED AWAY WHEN I WAS 16 YEARS OLD BUT IS WITH US IN SPIRIT. I LOVE YOU ALL. JUST SO MANY PEOPLE THAT I WANT TO THANK WHO HAVE MEANT SO MUCH TO ME ON MY JOURNEY THUS FAR. I WANT TO THANK A COUPLE OF PILLARS OF MY FOUNDATION, MY ALMA MATER'S, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS, LACSA, I CHAMPION YOU WHEREVER I GO, AND PRATT INSTITUTE IN BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. THANK YOU FOR FEEDING MY POTENTIAL AND FILLING MY YOUNG MIND WITH ALL THE TOOLS TO SET ME ON MY PATH. THANK YOU TO MY TEAM VANS, STEVE AND DORAN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF MY WORK AND HAVING ME BE A PART OF YOUR FAMILY'S LEGACY. I AM PROUD AND HONORED TO MY BROTHERS, PETE AND CHRISTIAN HOSSOI. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT, BROTHERHOOD AND CONTINUED INSPIRATION. I LOVE YOU ALL AND SHOUT OUT TO MY TEAM VARGAS. I WAS BORN ON BROOKLYN AVENUE IN BOYLE HEIGHTS AND RAISED IN A LATE 1800S VICTORIAN HOME ON A STREET NAMED CITY VIEW AVENUE. I HAD A CLEAR SIGHT LINE TO THE DOWNTOWN L.A. SKYLINE AND I WOULD OFTEN SIT ON MY STOOP AND STARE AT THE SKYLINE, WHICH

FOR ME NOT ONLY REPRESENTED THIS DOWNTOWN, BUT WAS A PORTAL TO THE WORLD. THAT WAS MY SOLACE, ENVISIONING WHAT WAS POSSIBLE. THE CITY ALWAYS LOOMED VERY LARGE IN MY PERIPHERY. I WAS DESTINED TO DREAM BIG AND PAINT EVEN BIGGER. I DON'T HAVE ANY RECOLLECTION OF LIFE WHEN I WASN'T DRAWING AND CREATING AND I JUST WANT TO SAY TO THAT KID THAT YOUR HARD WORK CONTINUES TO PAY OFF TODAY, AND THAT CREATIVE FIRE BURNS BRIGHTER THAN EVER. IN LOS ANGELES, I SEE THE ROOTS OF SELF AND REBIRTH. PEOPLE OFTEN THINK OF THE DESTINATION ALWAYS BEING OUTSIDE OF THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD, OUTSIDE OF THE COMMUNITY, BUT IMAGINE THE IDEA THAT THE DESTINATION IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD, IS THE COMMUNITY. GIVING BACK AND ACCESSIBILITY IS THE KEY. AND I'VE COMBINED MY PASSION FOR THE ARTS AND MY PURPOSE TO BRING COMMUNITY TOGETHER THROUGH THE CREATIVE PROCESS AND TO STRENGTHEN THESE ROOTS. I BELIEVE THAT L.A. IS ENTERING ITS CREATIVE GOLDEN AGE NOT JUST IN VISUAL ARTS BUT IN FASHION AND IN MUSIC, PERFORMANCE. IT'S AN EXCITING TIME TO BE IN THIS COUNTY, TO BE IN THIS CITY. NOT ONLY ADVANCING MY ART BUT ADVANCING L.A. ART. I PAINTED AS YOU SEE FROM TOKYO TO DUBAI, PARIS TO LONDON, BUT WHEN I CREATE MURALS HERE AT HOME, I FEEL VERY PARENTAL ABOUT THE MESSAGING THAT I FILTER OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY, AND I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT AN ARTIST HAS THE ABILITY TO SHAPE THE WAY A CITY'S HISTORY IS WRITTEN, AND THAT'S WHAT I INTEND TO DO. ANY ACT OF SUPPORT TO A YOUNG CREATIVE, NO MATTER HOW SMALL IT MAY SEEM, I PROMISE YOU WILL

GO UNNOTICED, WILL NOT GO UNNOTICED, AND TO THEM, IF YOU PLANT THE SEEDS OF WHAT'S POSSIBLE, WHICH IS THE HEARTBEAT OF EVERY CREATIVE, THEN YOU, IN YOUR OWN WAY, WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE ARTISTIC FUTURE OF THE WORLD, HELP SUPPORT A YOUNG CREATIVE ON THIS DAY, BUY THEM SOME ART SUPPLIES, GIVE THEM THE TOOLS THAT THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD. AND I'LL LEAVE YOU WITH THIS POEM EXCERPT THAT I'VE SEEN ENOUGH OF THE WORLD TO KNOW THAT IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN YOU. I RETURN TO YOU WITH OPEN ARMS, MY BEAUTIFUL LOS ANGELES. I CHOOSE YOU IN THIS LIFE, IN MY ANCESTORS' LIVES, AND IN THE LIVES THAT THEY LEFT TO BRING ME TO YOU, FOREVER YOURS, FOREVER MINE. THANK YOU, L.A.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, ROBERT, FOR THAT LOVELY PRESENTATION AND POEM. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION TO RECOGNIZE YOU. AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO KNOW SOMEONE LIKE YOU AND TO KNOW YOUR HISTORY. YOU, AS YOU MENTIONED, YOU COME RIGHT OUT OF THE FIRST DISTRICT BOYLE HEIGHTS, AND YOU'RE PROUD AND WE'RE PROUD OF YOU. AND YOU CAN TELL BY JUST YOUR ARTWORK AROUND THE WORLD HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU HAVE TOUCHED BUT I AM ESPECIALLY PROUD OF THE FACT THAT I GOT TO SEE YOU WORKING ON THE UNVEILING OF THE MURAL COMMEMORATING OUR GREAT HERO, FERNANDO VALENZUELA, OUR VERY OWN. HE IS THE TRUE EPITOME OF WHAT L.A. AND LATINOS, CHICANOS AND THE DODGERS MEAN. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WAS SO IMPORTANT FOR SO MANY AND HIS FAMILY. AND TO HAVE YOU, A

HUMBLE PERSON, COME OUT, SPEND TIME, AND PEOPLE WOULD COME UP AND TALK TO YOU ABOUT WHAT YOU WERE DOING AND JUST ATTRACTING THE ATTENTION AND BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY THAT WAS HURTING SO MUCH DURING THAT TIME WAS SO THOUGHTFUL AND REALLY COURAGEOUS OF YOU TO DO. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THE OTHER ICONIC MURAL THAT YOU ALSO PRESENTED WAS RIGHT THERE IN LITTLE TOKYO OF SHOHEI OHTANI, WHERE EVERYONE IN THE WORLD COMES TO SEE THAT. AND I KNOW THAT BY THE TIME WE GET READY FOR L.A. 28, THE OLYMPICS, GUESS WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO GO? TO ALL THESE BEAUTIFUL PLACES IN L.A. AND WE OWE THAT TO YOU. AND THE MURALS AREN'T JUST PUBLIC ART. THEY'RE LANDMARKS. THEY BRING COMMUNITY TOGETHER. THEY SPARK JOY. THEY BRING CELEBRATION. AND THEY HELP PEOPLE HEAL. ROBERT, YOUR WORK IS SO POWERFUL. YOU BRING UNITY, RESILIENCY, AND A VIBRANT SPIRIT TO L.A., AND NOT JUST THE CITY, BUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THROUGH YOUR ART AND EXPERIENCE, I'M SO PROUD TO HEAR THAT YOU'RE A PRODUCT HERE FROM OUR OWN GREAT CITY AND COUNTY ART SCHOOL. THAT IS COMMENDABLE. SO MANY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO LOOK LIKE YOU AND ME NEVER HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THAT EXPERIENCE. AND WHAT A JOY YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO SO MANY OF US, INCLUDING TO YOUR FAMILY, AND GREAT RESPECT FOR YOUR WORK. CREATIVITY, HARD WORK, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CAN TRANSFORM OPEN SPACES. AND I WELCOME YOU TO WORK WITH US IN THE COMING YEAR WHERE WE CAN HAVE MORE MURALS, MORE DEPICTIONS OF OUR COMMUNITY, AND LET THAT BE ON RECORD. WITH THAT, I WILL TURN IT OVER TO MY OTHER

COLLEAGUES WHO ALSO HAVE SOME GOOD WORDS ALSO. SO, SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HONORING ROBERT VARGAS. YOU KNOW, YOU SAID IT ALL, BUT ART IN SHARED SPACES CREATES OPPORTUNITIES FOR DIALOGUE, COLLABORATION AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE, BRIDGING DIVIDES AND PROMOTING UNITY, SOMETHING THAT I THINK WE WOULD ALL AGREE NOW MORE THAN EVER IS NEEDED. THROUGHOUT YOUR CAREER, YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY PORTRAYED HUMANITY, RESILIENCE, AND HOPE, AND HOPE, BREATHING A NEW LIFE INTO AREAS WITH YOUR COMPELLING MURALS. AND I SAW IT FIRSTHAND IN ALTADENA, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. THE MURAL THAT YOU HAVE DISPLAYED AT FAIR OAKS, WHICH IS THE HUB RIGHT NOW, WE'RE DOING FOOD DISTRIBUTION. PEOPLE GO EACH AND EVERY DAY THERE TO TALK, TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES, AND YOUR MURAL IS AN INSPIRATION. IT SHOWS THE RESILIENCE THROUGHOUT DEVASTATION IN A COMMUNITY. SO, I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING HOPE TO A COMMUNITY THAT NOW MORE THAN EVER NEEDS TO BE UPLIFTED. AND I CAN'T THINK OF A MORE FITTING TRIBUTE TODAY THAN RECOGNIZING YOU, NOT ONLY TODAY, BUT ONGOING. AND I ALSO WANT TO ECHO WHAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID ABOUT MURALS. WE STAND READY TO WORK WITH YOU. THEY ARE INSPIRATIONAL. AND I HOPE I'VE GOT A COUPLE PLACES I WANT YOU TO, I WANT TO COMMISSION YOU TO BEGIN YOUR WORK, FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL. BUT THANK YOU

FOR MENTORING AS WELL FOR THE NEXT GENERATION. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE'RE ALL HERE ON THIS EARTH FOR A SHORT TIME. AND IF WE DON'T TEACH THE NEXT GENERATION, IT'S LOST. SO, THANK YOU FOR THE MENTORSHIP YOU PROVIDE. AND LAHSA, I AM THRILLED TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE A GRADUATE. MY NIECE GRADUATED FROM THERE. I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT IT'S GIVEN TO OUR YOUTH TO REALLY NURTURE THEIR GIFT AND GO OUT IN THE WORLD AND MAKE IT BETTER. SO, I CANNOT THINK, I CAN'T WAIT TO VOTE YES TO CELEBRATE THIS DAY AND TO YOUR MOM, THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT THAT YOU PROVIDED IN MAKING THIS MAN AN INSPIRATION FOR MANY. WITH THAT, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION TO DECLARE JANUARY 24TH AS ROBERT VARGAS DAY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHAT A GREAT IDEA. AND HOW WONDERFUL TO HAVE YOU BE ONE OF OURS FROM LOS ANGELES. TO THINK ABOUT YOU HAVE SUCH A FOLLOWING INTERNATIONALLY, WORLDWIDE, PEOPLE ARE ADMIRING YOUR MURALS AND FINDING THE SAME KIND OF HOPE AND INSPIRATION THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY, BUT THAT YOU'RE FROM HERE. HOW LUCKY WE ARE TO HAVE YOU. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO ECHO THE FACT THAT YOU BEGAN YOUR FORMAL ART'S EDUCATION AT OUR VERY OWN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS.

YOU'RE SUCH A GREAT AMBASSADOR FOR THAT SCHOOL. YOU KNOW, AND STILL I THINK SOMETIMES A LOT OF PEOPLE STILL DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT SCHOOL. THAT SCHOOL STRUGGLES FOR FUNDING AND FOR RECOGNITION AND WHAT A GREAT AMBASSADOR YOU ARE FOR THAT SCHOOL. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK, THANK YOU FOR YOUR INSPIRATION ON A DAY THAT I THINK MANY IN OUR COMMUNITIES ARE FEELING DEPRESSED AND HOPELESS ABOUT A LOT OF STUFF THAT'S HAPPENING. TO LOOK TO YOU TO BRING US THAT HOPE AND THAT ENCOURAGEMENT, EVEN IN SOME OF OUR DARKEST TIMES, WE APPRECIATE YOU AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. GREAT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR ALLOWING US THE OPPORTUNITY, THE PRIVILEGE TO RECOGNIZE AN ANGELENO AND WHAT A BETTER GIFT TO A MOTHER ON HER BIRTHDAY THAN TO HAVE HER OWN BABY'S NAME DECLARED TODAY ON THE DAY THAT SHE WAS BORN. SO HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOM. WELL TIP MY HATS TO THE MOM THAT'S AMAZING. YOU KNOW LET ME SAY I LISTEN TO YOU VERY CLOSELY. DREAM BIG, PAINT BIGGER. POINT TAKEN. I ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE ROLE THAT CREATIVES PLAY IN DOCUMENTING A COMMUNITY'S HISTORY AND HERSTORY AND I THINK THAT IS ESPECIALLY POWERFUL PARTICULARLY NOW WHEN THAT YOU ARE MAKING VISIBLE COMMUNITIES

WHOSE CULTURE AND HISTORY IS BEING WILLFULLY ERASED BY HER VERY OWN GOVERNMENT. SO, I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THAT. LET ME JUST SAY THAT I ALSO APPRECIATE YOU FOR GIVING ME BRAGGING RIGHTS. I HAVE A, I'LL SAY HEALTHY COMPETITION WITH A FELLOW COMMISSIONER. THEY CALL THEM COMMISSIONERS IN THE SOUTH, FELLOW SUPERVISOR, COMMISSIONER RODNEY ELLIS FROM HOUSTON, WHO LOVES TO BRAG AT NACO ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY ABOUT THE AMAZING MURALS THAT THEY HAVE ACROSS DOWNTOWN HOUSTON. SO, HE AND I NOW HAVE A COMPETITION AND SO I'M DRIVING BY CAUSING TRAFFIC JAMS BECAUSE I'M TRYING TO TAKE PICTURES OF YOUR MURALS. ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ME THAT YOU'VE PAINTED A MURAL FOR COMMISSIONER ELLIS?

ROBERT VARGAS: NO, WHAT I'M GOING TO SAY IS I'M CURRENTLY PAINTING. YOU TELL HIM THIS. I'M CURRENTLY PAINTING THE LARGEST MURAL IN THE WORLD BY A SINGLE ARTIST RIGHT DOWN HERE AT 15 HILL STREETS, WHICH WHEN COMPLETE WILL BE A GUINNESS WORLD RECORD.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SCORE L.A. COUNTY. AND WHEN WILL THAT BE COMPLETED? DO YOU HAVE A DATE YET? WE'RE LOOKING AT, I SHOULD BE FINISHING IT THIS SUMMER, HOPEFULLY BY JUNE. BECAUSE I THINK WHAT I'LL DO IS I'LL INVITE COMMISSIONER ELLIS TO L.A. COUNTY TO BEHOLD THE GUINNESS BOOK WITH HIS VERY OWN EYES.

ROBERT VARGAS: ABSOLUTELY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: BUT WHAT'S WONDERFUL ABOUT IT REALLY IS TO JUST RECOGNIZE THAT ACROSS THE COUNTRY, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE ACKNOWLEDGING THE PARTNERSHIP WITH CREATIVES AND HOW IT CAN ACTUALLY NOT ONLY BEAUTIFY GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS BUT TELL A COMMUNITY STORY. AND SO, I DEEPLY APPRECIATE WHAT YOU DO FOR OUR SHARED COUNTY. AND SO, TO CONSIDER A BROTHER FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT FROM SANTORINI TO THE WEST BANK, THAT'S A LOT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR ALL OF US, AND IT'S A PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE YOU TODAY. THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AWESOME. DO WE NEED TO TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME? YES.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE DO.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: LET'S TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST, AND THEN WE'LL, YES, AND THEN AFTER WE'LL TAKE A PHOTO. SO, BEAR WITH US ONE MOMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA JEREZ, AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS, TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 3. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE

THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. AND WE DO NOT HAVE ANY REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKER. THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: DO WE WANT TO TAKE OUR VOTE AT THIS TIME? TAKE A PICTURE FIRST?

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE COULD TAKE THE PICTURE FIRST.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WE'LL TAKE A PICTURE FIRST AND THEN WE'LL VOTE ON IT. OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO VOTE ON THE ITEM. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND I'LL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION PASSES, 5 TO 0.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING CLOSED

SESSION MATTERS. THE CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE ACTED UPON WITH ONE MOTION. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON A TELEPHONE. PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA IN THE BEGINNING OF YOUR COMMENT, FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS. THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION AND CLOSED SESSION ITEMS. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU CLAUDIA JEREZ, DANIEL GARCIA, BENNIE TINSON, REYNA MONTOYA, DANIEL GONZALEZ, CONNOR LOCK, TERESA CHANDLER, MARISOL ALFARO, JESSICA PARRAL, SABRINA SILVA, AND REINA SCHMITZ. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR REMOTE SPEAKERS. RENEE JIMENEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN. RENEE JIMENEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. WE WILL GO TO OUR NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626614, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

BRENDA FAUSTINOS: MY NAME IS BELINDA FAUSTINOS AND I'M HONORED TO BE THE FIRST DISTRICT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER AND I AM SPEAKING TODAY ON ITEM NUMBER 37 ON YOUR AGENDA

SPECIFICALLY REGARDING THE NAMING OF THE HILDA SOLIS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER WHICH I AM ABSOLUTELY THRILLED TO SEE COMING FORWARD FOR YOUR VOTE TODAY. I CANNOT THINK OF ANOTHER MORE PERFECT PERSON TO DO THIS PARTICULAR, BE IN HONOR OF THIS PARTICULAR FACILITY. I HAD THE DISTINCT PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR OVER 30 YEARS. AND ONE OF OUR FIRST ENCOUNTERS WAS ACTUALLY A FLIGHT THAT INCLUDED GOING OVER THE PUENTE CHINO HILLS. AND I KNOW OF HER HISTORIC PASSION FOR THAT AREA, FOR THE ENVIRONMENT IN GENERAL. AND SHE WAS THE AUTHOR OF THE LEGISLATION THAT ACTUALLY CREATED THE RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY WHICH I ALSO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING ASSOCIATED WITH FOR MANY YEARS AND HER INCREDIBLE SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS AS A NATIONAL RECREATION AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL ANGELENOS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: JADE VONG, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

JADE VONG: HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JADE VONG. RELATIVE TO INFORMATIONAL ITEM 37, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FOR THE NAMING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER AS THE HILDA SOLIS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER AT THE FORTHCOMING OF ESPERANZA HILLS REGIONAL PARK. THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER WILL BE AN INSPIRATION AND SUCH A GREAT ADDITION TO THE COMMUNITY TO RIGHT THE ENVIRONMENTAL

WRONGDOINGS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE IN THE PAST AND WORK TOWARDS A NEW FUTURE WITH CLEANER WATER AND CLEANER LAND AND JUST SUCH A GREAT BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. LIZ P. YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: HI, I'M CALLING IN REGARDS TO SET MATTER 1. I'M HERE IN OPPOSITION OF THIS REPORT BACK END.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: SET MATTER 1 IS BEING HELD. YOU CAN SPEAK ON THAT WHEN WE ACTUALLY CALL THE ITEM. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 562692, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING.

ELENA IBARRA: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ELENA IBARRA. I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF INFORMATIONAL ITEM NUMBER 237. I STRONGLY URGE APPROVAL OF NAMING THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER AS THE HILDA L. SOLIS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER AT THE FUTURE ESPERANZA HILLS REGIONAL PARK. FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS, SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS LED THE FIGHT TO TRANSFER THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL INTO PUBLIC OPEN SPACE. SHE AUTHORED AB 2632 TO STOP THE LANDFILL EXPANSION AND SECURE ITS CONVERSION

TO THE LAND PARK. SHE HAS CONTINUED THIS WORK AS COUNTY SUPERVISOR, HELPING ADVANCE THE PARK MASTER PLAN AND RECENTLY BREAKING GROUND ON PHASE 1. NAMING THE CENTER HONORS HER LIFELONG COMMITMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213925, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

JOSE MIGUEL RUIZ: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSE MIGUEL RUIZ. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR CULTIVA L.A., AND I'M CALLING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 37. THIS IS VERY PERSONAL FOR US, AS WE DO HAVE A COMMUNITY FARM, ONE OF THE LARGEST FIVE-ACRE FARMS NEAR THE ORIGINAL PUENTE HILL. BUT TODAY I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT THE RENAMING TO THE HILDA LETICIA SOLIS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER. IF WE THINK FOR A SECOND, IT'S BEEN MORE THAN 35 YEARS SINCE WE'VE HAD A REGIONAL PARK. AND THIS IS OUR GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO TEACH THE NEXT GENERATION ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. I'M ALSO VERY EXCITED TO BRING MY KIDS IN THE FUTURE AS WE ARE PREPARING FOR A LOT OF LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR LITTLE ONES AND YOUTH AS WELL. SO, THANK YOU AGAIN, AND I HOPE TO VISIT THE SITE SOON THIS SUMMER.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. HAILEY BLOCK, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

HAILEY BLOCK: HI THERE. I'M HAILEY BLOCK. I'M WITH THE SAN GABRIEL CONSORTIUM ON HOMELESSNESS. I'M SPEAKING ON MEASURE 6 OR ON AGENDA NUMBER 6. FIRST I WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING AND COUNTY STAFF FOR THE HARD WORK THEY'VE DONE TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL DEFICIT AND FOR STANDING UP FOR VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. WE RECOGNIZE AND APPRECIATE THAT EFFORT BUT AT THE SAME TIME WE REMAIN DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE REMAINING CUTS AND WHAT THEY MEAN ON THE GROUND. THEY ARE FOUNDATIONAL TO HELPING PEOPLE MOVE OUT OF HOMELESSNESS AND STAY HOUSED, SO WE URGE THE BOARD TO CONTINUE RESTORING THESE FUNDS AND TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS IN A COUNTYWIDE FISCAL PLAN THAT CLOSES THIS GAP. VOTERS APPROVED MEASURE A WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THE COUNTY WOULD INVEST IN STABILITY AND FOLLOW THROUGH ON ITS COMMITMENTS. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH YOU TO PROTECT ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND PREVENT MORE PEOPLE FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 909595, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

ROY HUMPHREYS: YEAH, THIS IS ROY HUMPHREYS. THIS IS ROWLAND HEIGHTS HERE. AND SOMETHING I FIND IN OBSCENITY IS THE INCLUSION OF THINGS LIKE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE FOR GOD'S

SAKES. CAN WE MOVE ON FROM THIS WOLF IDEOLOGY AND PUT IT AND WHY WAS THIS AREA MADE INTO THE TRANSIENT HOMELESS AND THE RV CENTER THAT I'VE BEEN CHAMPIONING FOR SO LONG. HOW ABOUT TAKING CARE OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY AND THIS AREA AND THAT BE AN IDEAL LOCATION WITH THE TRANSPORTATION POINTS ETC. GET RID OF THE JUSTICE GARBAGE. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. RENEE JIMENEZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

RENE JIMENEZ: GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR ITEM 37. MY NAME IS RENE JIMENEZ AND I AM A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED SOUTH SAN JOSE HILLS IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1. I ALSO SERVE WITH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS STRONG SUPPORT FOR ITEM 37 TO NAME THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER, THE HILDA L. SOLIS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENTER. AS MOST OF US KNOW, SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS BEEN A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL TRANSFORMATION SPANNING MORE THAN THREE DECADES NOW. THE NAME IS FITTING AND IT HONORS HER DEDICATION AND CONTRIBUTION TO OUR COMMUNITY HERE IN THE SGV. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER

REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THESE ITEMS IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

CONNOR LOCK: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS CONNOR LOCK AND I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF LONG BEACH MAYOR REX RICHARDSON AS HIS DEPUTY MAYOR. THANK YOU TO OUR SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN AND TO SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR BRINGING ITEM 6 TODAY. LONG BEACH HAS BEEN WORKING IN LOCKSTEP WITH THE COUNTY FOR YEARS AND EVEN MORE CLOSELY SINCE BOTH OUR JURISDICTIONS DECLARED EMERGENCIES ON HOMELESSNESS. OUR LONG BEACH COC DIRECTLY PROVIDES MANY HOMELESS SERVICES IN LONG BEACH THAT WOULD OTHERWISE NEED TO BE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. THE MOTION YOU ARE CONSIDERING TODAY WILL CONTINUE SERVICES FOR LONG BEACH AND SOUTH L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE IN JEOPARDY. LONG BEACH STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE H AND MAYOR RICHARDSON IN THE CITY WERE SOME OF THE FIERCEST SUPPORTERS OF MEASURE A TO SAFEGUARD THESE CRITICAL RESOURCES IN PERPETUITY. THIS IS NOT A MOMENT TO PULL BACK FROM SYSTEMS THAT WORK BUT TO LEAN IN. PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM 6 AND THANK YOU SO MUCH. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

TERESA CHANDLER: HI, GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS.

MY NAME IS TERESA CHANDLER AND I'M A DEPUTY CITY MANAGER WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THE BOARD MOTION TO CONTINUE FUNDING LONG BEACH'S CONTINUUM OF CARE ALONG WITH OUR PARTNER COCS IN GLENDALE AND PASADENA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT FUNDING CUTS ARE HAPPENING ACROSS THE STATE AND NATIONALLY AND THAT THESE ARE CHALLENGING AND UNSTABLE TIMES. STILL, CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDING REMAINS FOUNDATIONAL TO OUR HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE SYSTEM. THESE FUNDS SUPPORT CORE SYSTEM FUNCTIONS INCLUDING OUTREACH, SHELTER, HOUSING NAVIGATION, AND COORDINATION AND HELP SUSTAIN SERVICES HISTORICALLY SUPPORTED BY MEASURE H. THEY PROVIDE STABILITY AT A TIME WHEN DEMAND IS RISING AND OTHER FUNDING SOURCES ARE TIGHTENING. WITHOUT THIS FUNDING, THE IMPACTS WOULD BE IMMEDIATE. FEWER SHELTER BEDS, REDUCED MOTEL VOUCHERS FOR FAMILIES, CUTS TO INCLEMENT WEATHER SHELTER OPERATIONS, FEWER OUTREACH AND HOUSING NAVIGATION STAFF, AND LESS CAPACITY TO MOVE PEOPLE INTO HOUSING. THE CITY HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS WITH THESE FUNDS AND HAVE BUILT OUR SYSTEM OF CARE TO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE MOST IN NEED OF THE SUPPORT AND WE CANNOT ABSORB THIS LOSS ALONE. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

REINA SCHMITZ: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS REINA SCHMITZ AND I'M HERE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT OUR SUPERVISOR, HILDA SOLIS, TO BE,

HER NAME TO BE CARRIED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE OF THE NEW COMING UP ESPERANZA HILLS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS A LONG HISTORY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES BEING THE DRIVER OF THOSE BEING RECOGNIZED BY CAROLINE KENNEDY IN THE EARLY 2000S FOR HER ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. I WAS THERE AT THE GRAND OPENING OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MOUNTAINS ALSO TO BE PROTECTED. I WAS THERE ALSO AT THE GROUNDBREAKING OF THE LA PUENTE HILLS, AND IT'LL BE A GREAT HONOR FOR ALL OF US TO BE PROUD OF HER WORK ALL THESE YEARS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

BENNIE TINSON: GOOD MORNING BOARD. BENNIE TINSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LICENSED ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE ASSOCIATION. I AM HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU A QUESTION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, IF THIS BOARD IS INTERESTED IN PRESERVING LOCAL RESOURCES, PARTICULARLY BHSA FUNDING AND SAVING TAXPAYERS UPWARDS TO $70,000,000, WE WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU. IF THIS BOARD IS ALSO INTERESTED IN STRENGTHENING THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MANAGED CARE PLANS.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: SIR, SIR, WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT ITEM YOU'RE SPEAKING ON, OR YOU CAN SPEAK IN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

BENNIE TINSON: ITEM 6.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: THANK YOU.

BENNIE TINSON: WE KNOW THAT BY PRESERVING THE LOCAL RESOURCES, WE CAN ALSO PRESERVE AND SUSTAIN LICENSED ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES AND RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES FOR THE ELDERLY. THAT IS AN IMPORTANT HOUSING SOURCE THAT PREVENTS HOMELESSNESS AND PROVIDES THE EMBEDDED SERVICES SO THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS DO NOT GET ONE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MARISOL ALFARO: HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARISOL ALFARO. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 6. AT A TIME WHEN RESOURCES ARE BEING CUT ACROSS THE BOARD, WE CANNOT IGNORE WHO IS HARMED FIRST. THAT'S THE LGBT PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AT FAR HIGHER RATES THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION, WITH UP TO 30% OF OUR TRANS COMMUNITY FACING HOMELESSNESS IN THEIR LIFETIME. FOR LGBT SENIORS, THIS CRISIS IS ESPECIALLY SEVERE. MANY AGE WITHOUT FAMILY SUPPORT, FACE DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING AND CARE SETTINGS, AND LIVE ON FIXED INCOMES THAT LEAVE THEM ONE EMERGENCY AWAY FROM LOSING THEIR HOMES. CUTTING HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES RIGHT NOW DOESN'T REDUCE THE NEED, IT DEEPENS INEQUALITY AND DENIES OLDER LGBT ADULTS THE DIGNITY, SAFETY AND STABILITY THEY DESERVE. HELP PRESERVE HOUSING SUPPORT FOR

OUR SENIORS, ESPECIALLY OUR LGBT COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

REINA MONTOYA: HELLO, MY NAME IS REVEREND RAINA MONTOYA. I'M A PASTOR IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. I'M ALSO THE FAITH-BASED COORDINATOR FOR SPA 4 THROUGH THE PEOPLE CONCERNED HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE 6. I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT. I'M A MEMBER, ALSO OF THE LGBTQIA TWO-SPIRIT COMMUNITY. AND THROUGH MY WORK AS A FAITH-BASED CORNER AND AS A PASTOR WITHIN SPA 4, I BELIEVE THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT ALLOWS TO KEEP IN PLACE THE FUNDING THAT WE NEED FOR OUR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, ESPECIALLY THROUGH THE LGBTQIA CENTER IN L.A., ESPECIALLY THROUGH THE MANY TRANSITIONAL HOUSES. I'M A PRODUCT OF THAT MYSELF. AND SO, I THINK WE NEED TO KEEP THE FUNDS GOING. WE NEED TO KEEP THE PLANS GOING SO THAT WE CAN SAVE MORE HOMELESS PEOPLE AND SO THAT WE CAN BRING MORE MENTAL HEALTH TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND ABROAD. IT IS SO IMPORTANT. PLEASE, PLEASE AND THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO HERE IN THE GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. GOOD MORNING.

JESSICA PARRAL: MY NAME IS JESSICA PARRAL AND I'M HERE ON

BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 6 AND I'M URGING YOU TO FULLY FUND HOUSING NAVIGATION SERVICES OF THE CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDING STREAMS. IF HOUSING NAVIGATION IS CUT UNDER THE SPENDING PLAN, PEOPLE WILL REMAIN HOMELESS LONGER, NOT BECAUSE HOUSING DOES NOT EXIST, BUT BECAUSE THERE'S NO SUPPORT TO HELP THEM REACH IT. PROVIDERS ARE ALREADY STRETCHED TO THEIR BREAKING POINT, AND SLASHING HOUSING NAVIGATION WHILE ALSO CUTTING OUTREACH TEAMS, ELIMINATING SAFE PARKING SITES, AND SCALING BACK CORE SERVICES WILL STRIP AWAY THE VERY TOOLS THAT MAKE EXITS FROM HOMELESSNESS POSSIBLE. ZEROING OUT HOUSING NAVIGATION WILL ALSO FALL HARDEST ON THOSE WHO ALREADY FACE THE GREATEST BARRIERS TO HOUSING, INCLUDING LGBTQ PEOPLE, BLACK AND LATINO RESIDENTS, OLDER ADULTS, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND PEOPLE WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS. THESE ARE EXACTLY THE COMMUNITIES MEASURE A PROMISED TO PRIORITIZE THROUGH ITS EQUITY FRAMEWORK, AND THESE CUTS DIRECTLY UNDERMINE THAT COMMITMENT. WE HOPE THE BOARD WILL HONOR ITS COMMITMENT TO THOSE WHO DESPERATELY NEED THESE NAVIGATION SERVICES. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

DANIEL GONZALEZ: GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DANIEL GONZALEZ AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER

TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6. THE CENTER HAS CLIENTS IN GLENDALE, PASADENA AND SURROUNDING AREAS THAT THIS ITEM AIMS TO SUPPORT. FIRST, WE WANT TO START BY APPRECIATING SUPERVISORS HAHN AND BARGER FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS RECOMMENDATION TO RESTORE $5,000,000 IN CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR THE FUNDING YEAR OF 26/27. THIS FUNDING IS CRITICAL TO KEEPING PEOPLE HOUSED, ESPECIALLY TRANSITION AGED YOUTH WHO ARE AT THE HIGHEST RISK OF FAILING FALLING BACK INTO HOMELESSNESS WHEN SUPPORTS DISAPPEAR. RIGHT NOW, MEASURE A'S PROPOSED BUDGET ZEROS OUT OR SEVERELY CUTS PROVEN HOUSING STABILITY PROGRAMS LIKE HOUSING PREVENTION, HOUSING NAVIGATION, TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDIES, YOUTH FAMILY RECONNECTION AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. THESE ARE THE EXACT KIND OF HOUSING PROGRAMS, CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDING HELPS TO SUSTAIN. AND WITHOUT THEM, HOUSING BECOMES TEMPORARY INSTEAD OF PERMANENT. AT THE L.A. LGBT CENTER WE HAVE ALREADY LOST 80 TIME LIMITED SUBSIDY SLOTS FOR LGBTQ YOUTH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

DANIEL GARCIA: MY NAME IS DANIEL GARCIA AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MY COMMUNITY, THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN HERE AT LARGE. I HAVE BEEN HEARING ABOUT HOUSING, HOUSING, HOUSING, HOUSING, BUT NONE OF THEM HAS THE MOST IMPORTANT CRUCIAL PART OF HOUSING, HOUSING FOR SENIOR CITIZENS WHO ARE, WHO ARE, WHO

ARE, WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT. HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT. AND HOUSING THAT IS NOT, AND HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT. BUT THAT IS ANOTHER ISSUE THAT YOU NEVER HEAR FROM PEOPLE BEHIND ME. PEOPLE NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND THEY NEED IT NOW. NOT TOMORROW, NOW.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CHRIS BACA: HI, I'M CHRIS BACA. I'M THE EXECUTIVE OR FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MEALS ON WHEELS WEST. I RECENTLY RETIRED AND FIRST OFF, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR HER SUPPORT OF MEALS ON WHEELS WEST AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF MEALS ON WHEELS WEST. BUT TODAY I'M REPRESENTING MEALS ON WHEELS CALIFORNIA WHERE I'M ON THE BOARD AND A NEW ORGANIZATION CALLED AGING FORWARD COALITION LOS ANGELES. AND GENERALLY, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE FACT THAT SENIORS ARE AN OVERLOOKED POPULATION. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, THEY'RE A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF L.A. COUNTY AND IT'S GROWING EVERY DAY. AND THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT, WHAT, OVER 15% OF VOTERS ARE SENIORS. AND I'D LIKE TO THINK THAT THE BOARD WOULD SUPPORT SENIOR PROGRAMS INCLUDING HOUSING AND OTHER SUPPORTIVE PROGRAMS FOR HOUSING AND HUNGER PROGRAMS. SO THAT'S REALLY A GENERAL STATEMENT. MY TIME'S ABOUT TO RUN OUT SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 2, 4, 6, WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH VOTING NO. 7 AND 8, 9 AS REVISED. 12 THROUGH 24, 26 THROUGH 41, 43 THROUGH 48, 50 THROUGH 52, 53A, 53C AND 53D, 53F, 56. THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE.

SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION PASSES, 5-0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO SET MATTER 1, REPORT ON THE PLAN DEVELOPED TO SUPPORT REPRESENTED LOS ANGELES HOUSING SERVICES AUTHORITY WORKERS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON A TELEPHONE. JOSEPH NICCHITTA, ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. LISA GARRETT, DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL. SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. RODNEY COLLINS, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR. AND EPIFANIO PEINADO, TEMPORARY SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OFFICE IMPLEMENTATION

ADMINISTRATOR, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OFFICE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE'LL BEGIN WITH OUR CEO TO START US OFF.

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. AND WE HAVE A PRESENTATION THAT IS BEING PUT UP. THANK YOU. IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR, SUPERVISORS, YOUR BOARD DIRECTED MY OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO PROVIDE A ROBUST REPORT BACK ON THE STEPS WE'RE TAKING TO ESTABLISH EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS FOR UNION REPRESENTED COUNTY FUNDED EMPLOYEES AT LAHSA. YOUR BOARD WAS CONCERNED THAT WE HADN'T MADE ENOUGH PROGRESS ON A PLAN OR PROPOSAL TO CREATE THOSE PATHWAYS AND YOU WANTED TO ENSURE WE MAINTAINED A KEEN FOCUS ON THIS OBJECTIVE AND WERE PUBLICLY ACCOUNTABLE TO THE PROCESS. WE'RE HERE TODAY TO PROVIDE A PRESENTATION COVERING THE RANGE OF DIRECTIVES FROM YOUR BOARD'S NOVEMBER MOTION. WE'VE ALSO FILED A DETAILED WRITTEN REPORT BACK AND THAT REPORT IS LINKED TO TODAY'S AGENDA. SO, I WON'T BURY THE LEAD ON THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE ON CREATING THOSE PATHWAY SUPERVISORS. WE HAVE FOCUSED VERY INTENTIONALLY ON MAKING SURE WE CAN BRING LAHSA OUTREACH WORKERS INTO THE COUNTY FAMILY SEAMLESSLY DURING THIS TRANSITION PROCESS. OUTREACH WORKERS ARE THE FRONTLINE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND INTERVENTIONS. THEY'RE OUT IN THE COMMUNITY, THEY OFTEN HAVE

LIVED EXPERIENCE, AND THEY ARE THE MOST AT RISK OF DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS SHOULD THEY LOSE THEIR JOBS DURING THIS TRANSITION. THE GOOD NEWS, SUPERVISORS, IS THAT WE HAVE FOUND VACANCIES FOR EVERY COUNTY-FUNDED OUTREACH WORKER AT LAHSA THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE AT RISK OF LAYOFF AT THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR AND THOSE ARE BUDGETED VACANCIES WITH ONGOING MONEY BEHIND THEM. THESE VACANCIES ARE ACROSS FOUR DEPARTMENTS. I'LL BRIEFLY LIST THEM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING, PROBATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. SO, I WANT TO GIVE A BIG THANK YOU TO THOSE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS FOR IDENTIFYING POSITIONS AS PART OF THIS EFFORT. IT'S BEEN A WHOLE OF COUNTY EFFORT TO FIND THESE VACANCIES. UNDER CIVIL SERVICE RULE SECTION 1304, WE CAN HIRE LAHSA OUTREACH WORKERS QUICKLY AND WITHOUT AN INITIAL EXAM. THERE WILL BE NO LENGTHY APPLICATION PROCESS AND WE INTEND TO HOST JOB PLACEMENT FAIRS IN THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS SO THAT OUTREACH WORKERS CAN HAVE CERTAINTY ABOUT THEIR CAREER PATH WITHIN THE COUNTY FAMILY. WE WILL PROTECT THEIR SALARIES USING UNIQUE COUNTY CODE PROVISIONS THAT APPLY SPECIFICALLY TO SITUATIONS LIKE THIS. WE CAN AUTHORIZE SPECIAL STEP PLACEMENTS TO MAKE SURE OUTREACH WORKERS WILL HAVE AT LEAST THE SAME SALARY THEY HAD AT LAHSA WHEN THEY JOINED THE COUNTY. ONCE IN THE COUNTY FAMILY, OUTREACH WORKERS WILL ENJOY BOTH ANNUAL STEP INCREASES AND COLAS. I MAKE THAT COMMENT BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THAT AT LAHSA THERE'S A DIFFERENT

COMPENSATION SYSTEM. THERE AREN'T STEP INCREASES. THERE'S COLAS ONLY, WHICH MEANS THAT AT THE COUNTY YOU ARE GOING TO SEE AN ANNUAL STEP, EVERY YEAR YOU GET A STEP, AND THEN WE HAVE COLAS SCHEDULED FOR THIS YEAR IN OCTOBER AND NEXT YEAR IN OCTOBER, 2% AND 5%. WE WILL ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO GAP IN OUTREACH WORKERS INSURANCE COVERAGE. THIS WAS A MAJOR CONCERN, SO I WILL REPEAT IT. NO ONE'S COVERAGE WILL LAPSE DURING THIS PROCESS. AND OUR FRINGE BENEFITS ARE RICHER THAN THOSE CURRENTLY OFFERED AT LASA AND WE HAVE INFORMATION ON THAT IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN THAT AS WELL. THERE ARE STILL A COUPLE ITEMS WE NEED TO DISCUSS WITH 721 REPRESENTATIVES AND WE HAVE MORE WORK TO DO FOR THE REST OF COUNTY-FUNDED REPRESENTATIVE LAHSA STAFF BUT I HOPE OUR WORK TO SUPPORT LAHSA'S OUTREACH WORKERS DEMONSTRATES THE COUNTY'S GOOD FAITH IN ESTABLISHING THE PATHWAYS THAT THE BOARD DIRECTED US TO ESTABLISH. I AM THANKFUL TO LABOR REPRESENTATIVES FOR THEIR PATIENCE AND THEIR ADVOCACY ON BEHALF OF THEIR MEMBERS. I KNOW THEIR MEMBERS REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING. I'M THANKFUL TO THE FOLKS SITTING ACROSS FROM ME BECAUSE THEY'VE REALLY PUT THEIR SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL TO MOVE THIS ALONG AND I'VE BEEN PLEASED WITH ALL THE WORK THAT THEY'VE PUT INTO THIS. I SAID IT BEFORE, I'LL SAY IT AGAIN, WE HAVE MUCH MORE WORK AHEAD OF US. THIS IS NOT A VICTORY LAP. WE'RE NOT DONE. THIS IS THE FIRST MAJOR STEP IN AN ONGOING PROCESS. SO, WITH THAT, I WILL HAND IT OVER FIRST TO MR. JEREMY GRAY FROM THE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO KICK OFF OUR PRESENTATION.

JERAMY GRAY: THANK YOU, JOE. SUPERVISORS, JERAMY GRAY REPRESENTING THE CEO. I THINK JOE SET THE STAGE VERY, VERY WELL. WE ARE NOT RECOMMENDING THAT THE COUNTY MOVE FORWARD UTILIZING CHARTER RULE 56 AND 3 3/4 PRIMARILY BECAUSE A COUPLE OF THINGS. NUMBER 1, WE'VE USED IT TWICE IN THE LAST 20 YEARS. AND IN BOTH INSTANCES, IT HAS INCLUDED A SMALLER DISCRETE UNIT OR OPERATION THAT WE HAVE BROUGHT OVER TO THE COUNTY AND EXECUTED OR IMPLEMENTED WITHIN THE COUNTY SPACE. NUMBER 2, IT HAS LARGELY INCLUDED NONREPRESENTED STAFF. FOR THOSE REASONS, THE LAHSA SITUATION IS VERY, VERY UNIQUE AND DIFFERENT FROM HOW WE'VE UTILIZED THAT IN THE PAST. THE SECOND REASON IS BECAUSE OUR REPRESENTED LABOR PARTNERS AT LAHSA, THE TRANSITION WOULD REQUIRE AN EXTENSIVE NEGOTIATION. AND WE REALIZE THAT THAT WILL NO DOUBT EXCEED THE TIMELINE THAT WE HAVE ASSOCIATED TO EXECUTE THIS SPECIFIC EFFORT. SO, WITH THAT, WE DON'T HAVE A LONG PRESENTATION PLAN TODAY. WE WANT TO GET THROUGH WITH SOME BRIEF COMMENTS AND THEN OPEN IT UP FOR YOUR QUESTIONS. I'M GOING TO HAVE EPI REITERATE SOME OF THE NUMBERS THAT JOE OPENED UP WITH, AND WE CAN GET RIGHT TO QUESTIONS.

EPIFANIO PEINADO: THANK YOU. EPIFANIO PEINADO FOR THE CEO IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IF WE

CAN TURN TO SLIDE, I BELIEVE IT'S SLIDE NUMBER, NEXT SLIDE PLEASE, WHICH PRESENTS TO YOU SOME OF THE DATA THAT'S ALSO CONTAINED IN YOUR REPORT. AND THIS IS TO COMMUNICATE TO THE BOARD AND TO LAHSA EMPLOYEES AND TO LABOR THAT WE INTEND TO BRING ON BOARD 315 REPRESENTED FTES FROM LAHSA. OF THOSE, AS JOE AND JEREMY HAVE MENTIONED, OUR PRIORITY AND THE PRIORITIZED PLAN IS TO FOCUS IN ON THE OUTREACH WORKERS, 97 OF THOSE. AND WE HAVE A PLAN FORWARD TO DO THAT WITHIN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, AS DHR WILL EXPLAIN IN JUST A FEW MINUTES IN TERMS OF HOW WE WILL IMPLEMENT THE PLAN. AND I WANT THE BOARD TO ALSO KNOW THAT WE WILL BE IDENTIFYING PATHWAYS, CERTAIN PATHWAYS, FOR THE REMAINING 218 EMPLOYEES AT LAHSA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S A NEED TO COMMUNICATE THAT PLAN. WE ARE LOOKING AT THE NEXT BATCH OF EMPLOYEES AT LAHSA, SUCH AS COORDINATORS AND SPECIALISTS, AND LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO BRIDGE THOSE POSITIONS TO THE COUNTY. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT JOB FAMILIES IN WHICH WE ARE MEETING AND CONSULTING WITH LABOR, SUCH AS IN THE IT SPACE, IN BUDGET AND FINANCE, IN ADMINISTRATION AND IN PROGRAMS. SO, WE HAVE A MULTI-PRONGED APPROACH TO GET THIS WORK DONE, AND OUR PRIORITY IS TO WORK WITH THOSE OUTREACH WORKERS. IF I COULD, I WILL ASK MS. MOLLY GONZALEZ TO PROVIDE A VERY BRIEF COMMENTARY ON THE METHODOLOGY ON HOW WE EVALUATED THAT GROUP OF 315 FTES AT LAHSA.

MOLLY GONZALEZ: MOLLY. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND

SUPERVISORS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IF WE COULD GO TO THE- A LITTLE LOUDER INTO THE MIC. YEAH, YOU HAVE A SOFT VOICE.

MOLLY GONZALEZ: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. MOLLY GONZALEZ WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE. IF WE COULD GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE, WORKING WITH LAHSA AND LOOKING AT THEIR EXISTING STAFFING PLAN, WE RECOGNIZE THAT THEY HAVE 749 BUDGETED POSITIONS OF WHICH THE COUNTY FUNDS FULLY AND PARTIALLY 545. WE WERE ABLE TO ISOLATE THE POSITIONS THAT THE COUNTY FULLY FUNDS, WHICH IS 217. AND THEN THERE WERE AN ADDITIONAL 328 POSITIONS THAT THE COUNTY FUNDS, ANYWHERE FROM 3% UP TO THE 100% THAT ARE ISOLATED IN THE 217 BUCKETS. THAT LED US TO THE 419 FTES THAT THE COUNTY FULLY FUNDS, OF WHICH 38 ARE VACANT AND LEAVING US WITH 381. FROM THOSE 381, WE WERE ABLE TO ISOLATE THE REPRESENTED FTES, WHICH IS 315, AND THAT IS THE NUMBER THAT WE ARE USING IN ORDER TO FIND PATHWAYS FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS, OF WHICH EPI AND THE TEAM HAVE MENTIONED. THE PRIORITY IS THE 97 OUTREACH WORKERS AND WE ARE LOOKING TO GET TO THE NEXT BATCH OF 218. THE STRATEGY THAT WE'VE IMPLEMENTED IN ORDER TO EFFICIENTLY MOVE THIS FORWARD IS A PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE WORKED WITH DHR, AND I'M GOING TO HAND IT OVER TO THEM SO THEY CAN WALK US THROUGH THAT METHODOLOGY.

EPIFANIO PEINADO: IF I COULD JUST ADD TO WHAT MS. GONZALEZ MADE REFERENCE TO, AND THAT IS A REALLY STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH LAHSA'S HR AND ADMINISTRATION TO COLLECT A LOT OF THIS DATA THAT WE USE TO PRODUCE THIS CHART FOR YOU. SO, WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. TURNING IT OVER TO TEAM DHR FOR PLAN IMPLEMENTATION.

LISA GARRETT: THANK YOU, LISA GARRETT, DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL. I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT DHR IS FULLY COMMITTED TO THE SMOOTH TRANSITION OF THE LAHSA STAFF INTO THE COUNTY FAMILY AND WE HAVE CREATED A STRATEGY FOR PRIORITIZING THE OUTREACH WORKERS. AND IF WE CAN TURN TO THE NEXT SLIDE, I WILL ASK DR. JOHAN JULIN TO SPEAK ABOUT THE HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT.

DR. JOHAN JULIN: GOOD MORNING. JOHAN JULIN, CHIEF HIRING STRATEGIST AND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WITH DHR UNDER LISA. SO, I'D LIKE TO START JUST BY TALKING ABOUT CIVIL SERVICE RULE 1304, WHICH IS A RULE THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE CIVIL SERVICE RULE SPECIFICALLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF HIRING WHEN THERE'S AN EMERGENCY. SO, THE FIRST REQUIREMENT IN THAT RULE IS THAT THERE BE A DECLARED EMERGENCY AND FORTUNATELY WE HAVE ONE WHICH ENABLES US THEN TO EFFICIENTLY HIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS. NOW THAT IS THE CHOSEN CLASSIFICATION THAT IS MOST IN LINE, ACCORDING TO THE CEO, WITH THE OUTREACH WORKERS THAT ARE CURRENTLY AT LAHSA. SO, IN ORDER TO BRING FOLKS IN TO THE

COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER POSITION, AS WAS MENTIONED EARLIER, THERE'S A NUMBER OF POSITIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND EARMARKED FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING OVER LAHSA FOLKS. THERE'S 50 POSITIONS AT DMH, ANOTHER 30 POSITIONS IN THE NEW DEPARTMENT, THREE POSITIONS ARE PROBATION AND TWO POSITIONS AT DHS. SO THAT COMES OUT TO A TOTAL OF 85 POSITIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. ONE THING THAT'S REALLY GREAT ABOUT 1,304 IS THAT IT REDUCES THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT'S REQUIRED TO BRING FOLKS IN SUBSTANTIALLY. WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO REDUCE THAT BY 70 TO 80%. ON AVERAGE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY RIGHT NOW WITH OTHER EMERGENCIES, WE'RE ABLE TO BRING PEOPLE IN ANYWHERE BETWEEN 60 AND 70 DAYS. SO THAT'S GOING TO BE A SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT OVER A TRADITIONAL METHOD OF BRINGING FOLKS IN. SO, WITHIN THAT, THAT KIND OF BROAD METHODOLOGY, IF YOU WILL, WE'RE GOING TO BE USING SPECIALTY REQUIREMENTS. THE IDEA HERE IS TO USE THAT AS A WAY OF REALLY ISOLATING FOLKS WHO COME TO US OR WHO ARE SEEKING TO TRANSITION TO US FROM LAHSA. SO THAT REQUIREMENT IS GOING TO REQUIRE A PROVISION OF SERVICES TO HOMELESS FOLKS ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THAT IS WHAT THE REQUIREMENT WILL READ AND FUNCTIONALLY WHAT THAT MEANS ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS MEANS IN POSITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN FUNDED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO THAT'S THE WAY IN WHICH WE WOULD TRY TO ESSENTIALLY TARGET THOSE FOLKS FROM LAHSA WHO ARE SEEKING TO COME OVER. SPECIALTY REQUIREMENTS, OR REQUIREMENTS IN GENERAL, REPRESENT A FLOOR BELOW WHICH YOU

CAN'T GO. WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT ANYONE ELSE WHO APPLIES WILL NOT QUALIFY IN THIS RECRUITMENT. SO, WHILE WE MAY GET NUMBERS OF PEOPLE WHO APPLY FROM OTHER AGENCIES TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY'RE NOT PERFORMING THEIR WORK ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN A FUNDED POSITION BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THOSE FOLKS WON'T BE ABLE TO ADVANCE IN THE RECRUITMENT. SO THAT'S ONE PRIMARY MECHANISM THAT WE HAVE OF REALLY TARGETING THE LAHSA FOLKS. ON TOP OF THAT, WE HAVE WHAT ARE CALLED DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS, AND THOSE ARE WAYS THAT WE REALLY HAVE OF PRIORITIZING LAHSA FOLKS WITH PARTICULAR CHARACTERISTICS. SO, ON THE OFF CHANCE THAT ANYONE DOES MAKE IT THROUGH THE REQUIREMENTS PHASE, THE DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS WILL ACTUALLY SPECIFY WORK HAVING BEEN DONE AT LAHSA. SO THOSE FOLKS ARE THE ONES THAT WILL BE PRIORITIZED AND WILL BE SENT TO THE HIRING MANAGERS AND THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT WOULD BE PICKING THESE FOLKS UP. SO THAT THEN SERVES AS A SECONDARY SAFEGUARD, IF YOU WILL, TO TRY TO ENSURE THAT THE LAHSA-REPRESENTED OUTREACH WORKERS ARE THE ONES THAT REALLY MAKE IT THROUGH THIS RECRUITMENT. THE PHYSICAL WAY IN WHICH THESE FOLKS WOULD GO THROUGH THE PROCESS IS WE INTEND ON HOSTING A NUMBER OF HIRING FAIRS, SOME OF WHICH MAY ACTUALLY BE HOSTED ON LAHSA'S WORK SITES TO TRY TO FACILITATE THE EASE WITH WHICH FOLKS FROM LAHSA CAN COME OVER AND APPLY TO OUR JOBS. WE'VE DONE A NUMBER OF THESE IN THE PAST, PARTICULARLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH DMH. THOSE JOB FAIRS ARE INTENDED TO BE, I'LL CALL THEM ONE-STOP

SHOPS, WHERE YOU ADVANCE FROM SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION AT ONE STATION OVER TO ENSURING THAT YOU MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS, ADVANCING YOU TO THE NEXT STATION. AT THAT STATION, YOU MIGHT BE INTERVIEWED BY A HIRING MANAGER, AND IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE, YOU WOULD BE OFFERED THE JOB, AT WHICH POINT YOU WOULD BE ADVANCED TO THE BACKGROUND STATION, LIVE SCAN, THINGS LIKE THAT. THE IDEA THERE IS TO ADVANCE PEOPLE THROUGH THE ENTIRE HIRING PROCESS ALL IN ONE FELL SWOOP SO AS TO REALLY BE ABLE TO EXPEDITE THE SPEED WITH WHICH FOLKS CAN ENTER COUNTY SERVICE AND TRANSITION FROM LAHSA.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IS THAT, ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? JEREMY?

JERAMY GRAY: SUPERVISOR, WITH THAT, WE WILL TAKE QUESTIONS FROM YOUR BOARD.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. VERY GOOD. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO JUST START AND THANK YOU, CEO JOE NICCHITTA AND LISA GARRETT, YOUR TEAM AND EVERYONE THAT'S BEEN WORKING ON THIS. AS YOU RECALL, ON NOVEMBER 18TH, THE BOARD MADE CLEAR A COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH LAHSA EMPLOYEES AND SEIU TO LIMIT ANY JOB LOSS FROM THE CREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. AND MANY OF THE EMPLOYEES AT LAHSA HAVE DEDICATED THEMSELVES FOR MANY YEARS IN THIS AREA, WHICH IS

INVALUABLE IN MANY WAYS. AND I THINK THE PRIORITY FOR THE BOARD WAS TO SEE THAT THAT WOULD BE AT LEAST THE FIRST STEP. AND CERTAINLY, IT WON'T BE THE LAST, GIVEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WE STILL HAVE TO IDENTIFY POSITIONS FOR. AND I JUST WANTED TO ASK HOW SOON WILL THE 85 EMPLOYEES BE ABLE TO BE HIRED AND TRANSITIONED INTO THE COUNTY? WILL IT HAPPEN PRIOR TO JULY 1ST OF THIS YEAR? AND IF SO, WILL THERE BE ANY GAP IN EMPLOYMENT FOR THEM?

RODNEY COLLINS: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. RODNEY COLLINS, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. YES, WE ANTICIPATE HIRING THESE INDIVIDUALS PRIOR TO JULY 1ST. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'LL JUST MENTION, WE HAVE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE READY TO HIRE NOW, MOST SPECIFICALLY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. THEY HAVE AN OPEN RECRUITMENT, AND THESE POSITIONS THEY ARE READY TO FILL, AND THEY HAVE MANAGERS WHO ARE SIMPLY WAITING FOR THIS PROCESS IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD TO FILL THEIR SPOTS SO THAT THEY CAN START DOING THE WORK FOR MENTAL HEALTH.

LISA GARRETT: SUPERVISOR, I WOULD JUST ADD THAT WE'RE ANTICIPATING THE FIRST HIRING FAIR TO HAPPEN AT THE END OF THIS MONTH OR SOON THEREAFTER. SO, WE ARE READY AND POISED TO GET STARTED NOW.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. AND THERE WON'T BE ANY INTERRUPTION WITH THEIR BENEFITS, HEALTH BENEFITS?

RODNEY COLLINS: NO, THERE WILL NOT BE ANY INTERRUPTION.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. I DID WANT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO ONBOARD PEOPLE SOONER THAN LATER IN THIS SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE. AND GIVEN THAT, WHAT HAPPENS IF SOMEONE DOESN'T PASS THE LIFE SCAN OR SOMETHING, WE FIND SOMETHING THAT JUST ISN'T WORKABLE, WHAT HAPPENS?

RODNEY COLLINS: WE HAVE A FEW PROGRAMS, AND THE UNION HAS RAISED THIS CONCERN. OUR NEW FAIR CHANCE POLICY IS ONE THAT WE'VE DONE PRESENTATIONS ON FOR THEM. AND SO, THE WAY IT'S GOING TO WORK IS OUR PROCESS REQUIRES THAT A CONTINGENT OFFER BE MADE, AND ONCE A CONTINGENT OFFER HAS BEEN MADE, AND IF WE FIND, FOR EXAMPLE, A CRIMINAL ISSUE OR CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CONCERN, OUR DEPARTMENT WORKS CLOSELY WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS TO MOVE THROUGH THAT PROCESS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, CURRENTLY, BECAUSE OF OUR NEW FAIR CHANCE ORDINANCE, WE DON'T EVEN ASK IF IT'S OLDER THAN SEVEN YEARS. SO FROM WHAT WE AT LEAST SEE RIGHT NOW, WE DON'T THINK THAT'LL BE A MAJOR CONCERN, BUT WE DO HAVE A SPECIAL TEAM AND A PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, ACTUALLY OFFICER, WHO WORKS SPECIFICALLY WITH OUR DEPARTMENT, WORKS

WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS, MAKE SURE THAT THEY KNOW THAT WE WILL HAND WALK THEM THROUGH THE PROCESS AND THEY DON'T NEED TO GIVE UP BECAUSE WE'VE IDENTIFIED THE PROBLEM.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND WHAT IF THEY HAD A DISCIPLINE PROBLEM DURING THE TIME WE ONBOARD THEM AND THEY'RE IN THAT 90 DAY PERIOD?

RODNEY COLLINS: SIMILAR TO THE WAY THAT WE WOULD ADDRESS DISCIPLINARY ISSUES HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHEN SOMEONE IS TRANSFERRING TO A NEW DEPARTMENT, THERE IS A PAUSE. AND SIMILAR IN THIS CASE, IF SOMEONE IS UNDERGOING DISCIPLINE OVER AT LAHSA, WE WILL IDENTIFY THAT AND WE WILL DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT'S COMPATIBLE ON THIS SIDE WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE ALREADY ALERTED LAHSA’S HR THAT WE WILL BE DOING A FILE REVIEW AND WE WILL BE ASSESSING WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE ANY CONCERNS WITH ANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE'RE BRINGING OVER, SO THAT THE MANAGERS, WE KNOW IT, OUR MANAGERS KNOW IT AND OUR DEPARTMENTS KNOW IT, AND CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION WHETHER OR NOT IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES EXPECTATIONS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, I GUESS MY LAST QUESTION WILL BE THEN THE REMAINING INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE NOT IN THE OUTREACH ARENA. WAS THAT NUMBER AGAIN? WE STILL HAVE TO FIND.

JERAMY GRAY: 218, SUPERVISOR

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WAITING AND THEN DO WE HAVE AT LEAST AN ESTIMATE OF WHERE THEY FALL IN TERMS OF CLASSIFICATIONS OR CATEGORIES?

JERAMY GRAY: SO, WE'RE CURRENTLY DOING THAT REVIEW RIGHT NOW, SUPERVISOR. IT'S IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY THAT BECAUSE EACH DEPARTMENT HEAD IS THE HIRING AUTHORITY OR APPOINTING AUTHORITY WITHIN THEIR DEPARTMENT, WE WOULD HAVE TO WORK WITH OUR VARIOUS 40 COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS ON POTENTIAL PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT. SO, WE WILL BE DOING THAT ASSESSMENT OF THE SPECIFIC JOBS AND CLASSIFICATIONS THAT ARE COMING OVER FROM LAHSA AND WORKING WITH EACH DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE IDENTIFIED WITHIN OUR 40 COUNTY AGENCIES THAT ALIGN WITH THE BACKGROUNDS AND SKILL SET OF THE EMPLOYEES OVER AT LAHSA.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND IF FOR SOME REASON THOSE SKILLS DON'T TRANSFER, THEN WHAT?

LISA GARRETT: WE HAVE A, SUPERVISOR, OVER 2000 CLASSIFICATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY AND SO THROUGH THE CONCIERGE PROGRAM, WE WILL BE WORKING WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS LOOKING AT THE SKILL

SETS THEY DO HAVE AND MATCHING THEM UP WITH APPROPRIATE CLASSIFICATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY TO ASSIST THEM IN GAINING EMPLOYMENT HERE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HOW LONG DO YOU THINK THAT PROCESS MIGHT TAKE?

LISA GARRETT: I DON'T THINK IT WOULD TAKE LONGER THAN A COUPLE OF WEEKS, THREE WEEKS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, THIS YEAR?

LISA GARRETT: OH, ABSOLUTELY THIS YEAR. ALL RIGHT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, THAT'S THE REMAINDER OF MY QUESTIONS. I'LL TURN TO THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS. I SEE SUPERVISOR HAHN.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YEAH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR FOR THOSE QUESTIONS. I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. I WANT TO JUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY THANK YOU. THANK YOU TO OUR CEO, THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, AND THIS WHOLE TEAM FOR THE REPORT BEFORE US TODAY AND HOW OUR COUNTY PLANS TO SUPPORT REPRESENTED LAHSA OF WORKERS AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH CREATING OUR OWN DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. I

APPRECIATE THIS BECAUSE I THINK WHEN WE BEGAN DISCUSSING THE IDEA OF STANDING UP OUR OWN DEPARTMENT, FOR ME ANYWAY, IT WAS ALWAYS ASSUMED. IN FACT, I FEEL LIKE I HEARD IT DESCRIBED THAT THE LAHSA OF WORKERS WOULD BE TRANSITIONED INTO OUR NEW DEPARTMENT. I SAW THEM MARCHING UP SPRING STREET AND COMING RIGHT INTO OUR BUILDING. SO, WHEN IT BECAME TENUOUS, I WAS CONCERNED. SO, THIS MOMENT REALLY MATTERS AND I APPRECIATE YOU FINDING THIS PATHWAY FORWARD. AND IT MATTERS NOT JUST STRUCTURALLY, BUT PERSONALLY FOR HUNDREDS OF THESE WORKERS WHO HAVE DEDICATED THEIR CAREERS TO SERVING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ACROSS OUR COUNTY. AND AGAIN, IT GIVES ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR LAHSA OUTREACH WORKERS, BECAUSE SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW, I DIDN'T FIND ENOUGH TIME TO ACTUALLY SAY THAT. AND SOMETIMES THEY GO UNNOTICED. SOMETIMES THEY'RE LIKE THE INVISIBLE LAYER IN US ADDRESSING THIS CRISIS. BUT THEY'RE NOT ABSTRACT POSITIONS ON AN ORG CHART. THEY'RE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN OUR FIELD EVERY DAY BUILDING TRUST, CONDUCTING ASSESSMENTS, CONNECTING PEOPLE TO HOUSING, HEALTH CARE, SERVICES. THEIR EXPERIENCE IS INVALUABLE AND IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A REAL SHAME IF WE COULD NOT HAVE FIGURED OUT HOW TO CAPTURE THAT EXPERIENCE. I DON'T THINK WE CAN AFFORD TO LOSE IT AT THIS POINT. SO, I REALLY SUPPORT THIS PLAN THAT'S OUTLINED IN THE REPORT TO CREATE A REAL WORKABLE PATHWAY INTO COUNTY EMPLOYMENT, STARTING WITH THE TRANSITION OF 85 REPRESENTATIVE LAHSA OF OUTREACH WORKERS INTO OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER

POSITIONS ACROSS OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. IT'S A GOOD STEP, IT PRIORITIZES OUR WORKERS, AND IT STRENGTHENS OUR SERVICE SYSTEM. AND BECAUSE OF THE WAY LAHSA FUNDS THESE POSITIONS, IT MAKES A FULL-SCALE TRANSITION NOT EASY. BUT THIS REPORT IS CLEAR ON WHAT WE AS THE COUNTY CAN DO AND WHAT WE CAN CONTROL. I APPRECIATE, JEREMY, YOU TALKING ABOUT WHY IT WAS A BETTER IDEA TO USE OUR EMERGENCY HIRING AUTHORITY AS OPPOSED TO THE OBSCURE CHARTER AMENDMENT 56 3/4. IT ALWAYS REMINDS ME OF HARRY POTTER IN THE HOGWART STATION. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU KNOW, WE DO THESE EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS AND IT'S GREAT THAT WE SAY THIS IS WHERE WE'RE GOING TO LAND. THIS IS HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS. SO, I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK OUR SEIU 721 FOR THEIR PARTNERSHIP AND COLLABORATION IN THIS ENTIRE PROCESS. AND YOU KNOW, IN THE BROADER CONTEXT, THIS TRANSITION IS HAPPENING WHILE THE DEPARTMENT IS STILL FACING A SIGNIFICANT STRUCTURAL DEFICIT, AND WE HAVE DIFFICULT BUDGET DECISIONS AHEAD. BUT I THINK IT'S EVEN MORE IMPORTANT AT THAT POINT, AND THESE TOUGH TIMES IN THE COUNTY THAT WE REALLY DO RIGHT BY OUR WORKERS WHO HAVE CARRIED THIS SYSTEM THROUGH THE YEARS OF CRISIS AND STABILITY FOR OUR WORKERS TRANSLATES DIRECTLY INTO STABILITY FOR THE PEOPLE THEY SERVE. THIS PLAN IS STRONG, IT'S A STRONG START THAT REFLECTS OUR VALUES AS A COUNTY. IT'S OUR RESPECT FOR LABOR, CONTINUITY OF CARE, AND A COMMITMENT TO MAKING THOUGHTFUL, HUMANE DECISIONS, EVEN WHEN RESOURCES ARE TIGHT.

AND I THINK THIS IS A GREAT MODEL ABOUT HOW WE GO FORWARD TO ADDRESS OUR HOMELESS CRISIS. SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO UPDATES, CONTINUE ENGAGEMENT WITH LABOR, AND CONTINUED WORK TO ENSURE THAT NO LAHSA OF WORKER IS LEFT BEHIND AS WE BUILD THIS NEW DEPARTMENT. SO, THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I TOO WANT TO THANK OUR CEO, YOUR ENTIRE TEAM, OUR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, EVERYONE WHO HAS BEEN PART OF THIS AMAZING TEAM TO MOVE THE PROCESS FORWARD, WORKING DIRECTLY WITH 721 REPRESENTED STAFF. AND I WANT TO PERSONALLY ACKNOWLEDGE KEISHA FOR YOUR ROLE. I KNOW WHEN YOU CAME INTO THE CONVERSATION IT WAS ACKNOWLEDGED TO MY STAFF WHAT A GAME CHANGER IT WAS FOR SO MANY PEOPLE. SO THAT'S PRAISED DIRECTLY TO YOU, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S BROUGHT HERE PUBLICLY, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT CONVERSATIONS HAVE BEEN TOUGH FOR EVERYONE, FOR THE WHOLE TEAM. BUT I KNOW THAT WHEN YOU PLAY SUCH A CRITICAL ROLE, HEARING A THANK YOU AND A JOB WELL DONE IS APPRECIATED. SO, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU HERE AND THANK YOU AND THE ENTIRE TEAM FOR THE ROLE THAT YOU HAVE PLAYED. I ALSO WANT TO THANK LAHSA FOR WORKING WITH THE COUNTY DURING THIS PROCESS AND COMING BEFORE THE BOARD TO SHARE YOUR CONCERNS. AND OF COURSE, OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY AT 721 WHO HAVE BEEN TIRELESSLY FIGHTING TO

MAKE SURE THAT EACH AND EVERY VOICE IS HEARD THAT EVERY CONCERN IS CONSIDERED, AND THAT WE FIND A PATHWAY FORWARD. SO, THANK YOU ALL. I'M PLEASED THAT THE COUNTY HAS SECURED POSITIONS FOR COUNTY FUNDED HOMELESS ENGAGEMENT TEAM MEMBERS. AND I KNOW IN MY CONVERSATION WITH OUR CEO YESTERDAY, YOU KNOW, THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SECURE POSITIONS AND SALARIES AND HEALTHCARE IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF COMMITMENT THAT WE WANT TO SEE GOING FORWARD. WE TALK A LOT ABOUT HOW WE ASK THAT OF OTHER COUNTY PARTNERS SEEKING TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY AND SO WE ARE MODELING THAT AS WE ARE STANDING UP THIS DEPARTMENT SO THANK YOU FOR THE HARD WORK THAT YOU DID TO MAKE THAT POSSIBLE. EVERYONE'S EXPERIENCE WHO IS COMING TO US FROM THE WORK THAT THEY'VE BEEN DOING WITH OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS BRINGS SO MUCH VALUE TO THE WORK THAT THE COUNTY WILL BE DOING. TO DHR, THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO BRINGING THE CONCIERGE SERVICE AND A FUTURE HIRING FAIR TO OUR LAHSA SITE AS WELL, PROVIDING A MORE COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT TO SUPPORT LAHSA STAFF AND EXPLORING WHATEVER OPPORTUNITIES MAY EXIST FOR THEM WITH THE COUNTY. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING OPEN AND REGULAR COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE CEO TEAM AND 721. I LOOK FORWARD TO ONGOING UPDATES ON THE NEGOTIATIONS TO SUPPORT MORE LOSS OF WORKERS AND FINDING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE COUNTY. AND I KNOW THAT THIS, WE'VE HEARD IT SEVERAL TIMES, SO I APPRECIATE THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THIS IS NOT THE END, THAT THIS WILL BE A CONTINUED PROCESS. BUT I THINK IT

DEMONSTRATES THAT ESPECIALLY AS WE GET FEEDBACK ON HOW WE CAN BE DOING THINGS BETTER, WE HAVE SHIFTED, WE HAVE ADJUSTED, AND WE'VE MADE CHANGES. AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY A TESTAMENT TO HOW WE WANT TO DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY GOING FORWARD. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO ECHO THE THANKS FOR ALL THE GROUPS REPRESENTED TODAY AND THE WORK THAT WAS DONE. AS I LISTENED, WHAT OCCURRED TO ME IS THAT ONE POPULATION THAT'S NOT KIND OF REPRESENTED HERE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF THE STELLAR OUTREACH WORK DONE BY THE OUTREACH WORKERS. SO, I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS. FIRST OF ALL, ON SLIDE 3, WE SAW THAT 12 OUTREACH WORKERS WILL REMAIN AT LAHSA. I'M JUST CURIOUS HOW THAT NUMBER WAS ARRIVED AT. WAS THAT BASED ON LAHSA ACKNOWLEDGING THEIR ONGOING NEED BASED ON THE WORK THAT WILL REMAIN THERE? DO WE PULL IT OUT OF THIN AIR? I'M CURIOUS.

SARAH MAHIN: IT'S BASED ON TWO FACTORS. THANKS FOR THE QUESTION, SARA MAHIN AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. AND OKAY. AND SO, IT'S BASED ON TWO FACTORS. THE FIRST IS THAT WE GET MONTHLY VACANCY REPORTS

FROM LAHSA ON HOW MANY OF THE POSITIONS ARE OCCUPIED. AND SO, THERE ARE CURRENTLY 97 OCCUPIED OUTREACH POSITIONS. WE'VE IDENTIFIED 85 POSITIONS, WHICH LEAVES A DIFFERENCE OF 12 POSITIONS THAT WE DON'T HAVE POSITIONS IDENTIFIED FOR AT THE COUNTY. AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE SOME ONE-TIME FUNDING. SOME OF THESE OUTREACH POSITIONS AT LAHSA WERE FUNDED WITH ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR THINGS LIKE THERE WERE BOARD ACTIONS AROUND RVS AND AROUND HIGH-FIRE SEVERITY ZONES AND THOSE WERE FUNDED WITH ONE-TIME SOURCES. WE CANNOT CREATE ONGOING COUNTY POSITIONS WITH ONE-TIME SOURCES, SO OUR RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE TO LEAVE THE ONE-TIME FUNDING AT LAHSA FOR THOSE 12 OUTREACH WORKERS SO THAT THEY CAN TAKE NEXT FISCAL YEAR CAN CONTINUE TO DO OUTREACH WORK WHILE WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR POSITIONS AT THE COUNTY FOR THEM TO TRANSFER TO.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: OKAY, SO THEN THE 12 WAS BASED ON THE FACT THAT WE ONLY HAD 85 POSITIONS THAT WE COULD TRANSFER PEOPLE INTO. AND IT WAS A FISCAL METRIC VERSUS A NEED IN TERMS OF THE WORK THAT WILL STILL STAY AT LAHSA.

SARAH MAHIN: CORRECT, IT'S ABOUT THE POSITIONS AND ALSO THAT THE FUNDING IS ONE TIME.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO, ALL OUTREACH WILL TRANSITION INTO OUR NEW DEPARTMENT. LAHSA WILL NOT HAVE AN ONGOING ROLE ONCE

THE DEPARTMENT IS FULLY FUNDED AND STOOD UP AND FUNCTIONAL. THERE WILL BE NO OUTREACH WORK DONE BY LAHSA.

SARAH MAHIN: NOT FUNDED BY THE COUNTY. THERE IS OUTREACH WORK, I WILL NOTE THAT'S DONE BY OTHER ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF HSH INCLUDING DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THEN THAT'S FUNDED BY OTHER CITIES BY THE VA THAT'S OUTSIDE THE COUNTY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO THOSE 12 POSITIONS ARE ONE-TIME DOLLARS THAT WILL PHASE OUT UNLESS LAHSA FIGURES OUT HOW TO PICK THEM UP OR ADDITIONAL FUNDING IS FOUND, ONGOING FUNDING IS FOUND WITHIN THE COUNTY TO TRANSFER THOSE 12 OVER.

SARAH MAHIN: CORRECT.

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: WELL, SUPERVISOR, CAN I JUST-

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: YES?

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: SO, IT'S NOT NECESSARY THAT WE IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL ONGOING FUNDING. THESE ARE THESE OUTREACH WORKERS, THESE WE CALL THEM COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS, IS AN ENTRY LEVEL CLASS. THERE'S A LOT OF ATTRITION. SO, BETWEEN NOW AND WHEN THE FUNDING PHASES OUT, IT'S LIKELY THERE WILL BE MORE VACANCIES AT DMH. THERE MAY BE SOME VACANCIES AT HSH THAT

DOESN'T REQUIRE US TO FIND NEW MONEY, THEY'RE JUST GOING TO LAND ON A VACANT BUDGETED ITEM AT THAT POINT. SO, THERE'S REALLY TWO OFF-RAMPS THAT YOU IDENTIFIED. ONE IS LAHSA MOVES THEM OVER TO SOME OTHER FUNDING SOURCE THAT'S GOING TO STAY THERE, OR THEY MOVE OVER TO US AS WE HAVE VACANCIES OPEN UP. AND I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT FINDING 12 POSITIONS BETWEEN NOW AND THE END OF NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: GOT IT. THANK YOU. WE HAVE ALL REPEATEDLY ACKNOWLEDGED THE VALUE AND THE CRITICAL NATURE OF THE OUTREACH DONE BY THESE TRUE PARTNERS. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF THAT WORK, I'M WONDERING WHAT OTHER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THE TRANSITION PLAN FOR COUNTY-FUNDED LAHSA EMPLOYEES.

SARAH MAHIN: SO, WE'RE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH LAHSA ON THE TRANSITION OF FUNDING THAT'S CURRENTLY ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA TO SUPPORT A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT PROGRAMMING AND THAT FUNDING NEXT FISCAL YEAR BEING ADMINISTERED BY HSH. AND WE'RE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH LAHSA TO ENSURE THAT THAT TRANSITION IS SMOOTH FOR OUR CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDERS, THAT THERE'S NO CONTRACT DELAYS SO THAT THEY CAN SEAMLESSLY MOVE FROM ONE CONTRACT UNDER A LAHSA TO A CONTRACT WITH HSH, AND SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO PROVIDE OPERATIONS IN A WAY THAT'S SEAMLESS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE ACCESSING THOSE SERVICES.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO THEN INSTEAD OF JUST KIND OF DELINEATING WHAT THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ARE, YOU'RE SAYING THAT NONE OF THEM WILL BE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED?

SARAH MAHIN: WE'RE COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THERE'S NO NEGATIVE IMPACT TO PEOPLE. I WILL --

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: PEOPLE, BOTH OUTREACH WORKERS AS WELL AS THE RECIPIENTS

SARAH MAHIN: OF THE SERVICES. YES, AND AS OUR NEXT AGENDA ITEM, WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT THE BUDGET. I DO WANT TO SAY THAT THERE ARE TWO THINGS HAPPENING AT THE SAME TIME, AND IT SOMETIMES CAN MAKE IT CHALLENGING THESE CONVERSATIONS TO SEPARATE THE CREATION OF HSH AND THE TRANSITION OF FUNDING THAT WAS ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA TO HSH AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH SIGNIFICANT FUNDING SHORTFALLS THAT IMPACT THE RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THE HOMELESS SYSTEM OF CARE. SO THERE ARE, BECAUSE OF REDUCED FUNDING FOR THE SYSTEM AS A WHOLE, THERE ARE GOING TO BE REDUCTIONS IN SERVICES THAT WE'LL GET MORE INTO IN OUR NEXT ITEM, BUT WE BOTH ARE COMMITTED TO MANAGING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT SPENDING PLAN AND MITIGATING ANY IMPACTS ON PEOPLE WHO ARE ACCESSING SERVICES SIMILARLY AND AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE'RE WORKING ON

THIS TRANSITION OF FUNDING FROM LAHSA TO HSH.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I AM CRYSTAL CLEAR ABOUT THOSE TWO DIFFERENT PATHS, WHICH IS WHY I'M FOCUSED, I AM LASER FOCUSED, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE WE CHOSE AS A BOARD TO STAND UP THIS DEPARTMENT MID BUDGET CYCLE, WHICH IS ADDING ADDITIONAL LAYER OF COMPLICATION. SO, I'M CRYSTAL CLEAR ABOUT THOSE TWO PATHS. AND WITH THAT, WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT'S WITHIN OUR POWER AND WITHIN YOUR POWER AS A NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD IS CLEAR AND CLEARLY ARTICULATED BECAUSE THE GOAL HAS ALWAYS BEEN STATED TO CREATE A BETTER SYSTEM, NOT ONE THAT BECAUSE OF OUR CHOICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSITIONS ARE GOING TO NEGATIVELY IMPACT PEOPLE WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO HOUSE EVERY DAY.

SARAH MAHIN: ABSOLUTELY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: YEAH, I'LL BE SHORT. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE ENTIRE TEAM FOR WORKING ON THIS. AND TO THE SEIU PARTNERS THAT ARE OUT IN THE AUDIENCE, I BELIEVE THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID THAT I KNEW WASN'T THE CASE IS IT WASN'T GOING TO BE APPLES TO

APPLES. THERE'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKERS TO COME INTO THE COUNTY. MAYBE A DIFFERENT ROLE, BUT A ROLE THAT IS GOING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATION, WHETHER IT BE THOSE THAT ARE UNHOUSED, THOSE THAT ARE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL ILLNESS, I MEAN, THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES. AND I KNOW THAT THE THOUGHT WAS THEY WERE JUST GOING TO AUTOMATICALLY COME OVER TO OUR NEW DEPARTMENT. I DID NOT SEE THAT, BUT I DID KNOW THAT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES IF WE PROVIDE TO LISA GARRETT'S POINT, A CONCIERGE SERVICE WHICH IDENTIFIES THE STRENGTH THAT YOU HAVE AS AN EMPLOYEE THAT MAY NOT NECESSARILY TRANSLATE INTO OUR HI DEPARTMENT BUT ARE GOING TO BENEFIT THE COUNTY. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE SEEING UNFOLD TODAY. AND WITH THAT COMES A CERTAINTY ONGOING AS IT RELATES TO WHAT JOE NICCHITTA SAID ABOUT ONE-TIME FUNDING. THESE ARE VACANT POSITIONS AND THESE ARE VITAL POSITIONS, BUT ALSO TO ALL THOSE EMPLOYEES, THERE'S ALSO OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE UP AS YOU STAY WITH THE COUNTY. AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT NOT TO TAKE AWAY FROM LAHSA, BUT SOMETHING THAT LAHSA NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO OFFER. IN THE COUNTY, YOU'VE GOT ALL THESE DEPARTMENTS, ALL THESE OPPORTUNITIES. SO, I'M EXCITED BECAUSE WE ARE STRENGTHENING OUR WORKFORCE IN AREAS WHERE WE HAVE THE MOST NEED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYEES FROM LAHSA TO COME OVER AND ACTUALLY POSSIBLY FIND OUT THAT THEIR STRENGTH IS IN A DEPARTMENT THEY HAD NO IDEA, THEY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL

FOR THAT. AND I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WITH THAT, SEEING NO OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD, LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. SANDY MARTINEZ, ALAN SPRING, HEATHER VARDIN, CLAUDIA JEREZ, EMILY BALL, REVEREND REYNA MONTOYA. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED INTO 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 THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 0909 595. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

ROY HUMPHREYS: ROY HUMPHREYS IS OUT HERE, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, AND I COMMEND THIS BOARD FOR ITS LAHSA CORRUPTION INTERVENTION HAVING SEEN THEIR EARLIER ACTIONS IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. NOW AS MCDONALD'S CORP LEAVES CALIFORNIA, EVERYTHING IS A FISCAL EMERGENCY/CRISIS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. LIZ P. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

LIZ PALOMINO: MY NAME IS LIZ PALOMINO. I AM AN SEIU LOCAL 721 LAHSA REPRESENTED STAFF MEMBER. FIRST, THANK YOU FOR DIRECTING THE CEO AND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO CREATE PATHWAYS FOR LAHSA EMPLOYEES INTO COUNTY SERVICE. WE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT IN THE REPORT TO AVOID ANY BREAK IN HEALTH BENEFITS AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS AS THIS PROCESS MOVES FORWARD. AS IT STANDS TODAY 85 OUTREACH WORKERS ARE IDENTIFIED FOR TRANSITION AND THE CONDITIONS OF THAT TRANSITION HAVE NOT YET BEEN FINALIZED WITH LABOR. THE REPORT ALSO CONFIRMS THAT 315 REPRESENTED LAHSA EMPLOYEES ARE FUNDED BY THE COUNTY, SO IT IS CRITICAL THAT THIS PROCESS PROTECTS WORKERS AND THE STABILITY OF THE SYSTEM. OUR CORE REQUEST IS SIMPLE. WE ASK THAT WORKERS BE ALLOWED TO KEEP THEIR ORIGINAL HIRE DATE SO THEIR SENIORITY AND JOB SECURITY ARE PRESERVED AS THEY MOVE INTO COUNTY SERVICE. THAT PROTECTION MATTERS EVEN MORE IN A DEPARTMENT FACING BUDGET UNCERTAINTY. WE APPRECIATE THE ONGOING COLLABORATION AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THIS TRANSITION IS FAIR, STABLE, AND PROTECTS THE WORKFORCE THAT IS DOING THE CRITICAL WORK FOR YEARS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818471 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: OUR ASK IS SIMPLE. LAHSA EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE DIRECTLY TRANSFERRED INTO COUNTY POSITIONS. IF CHARTER 56 3/4 PROCESS WAS INITIATED BACK IN APRIL WHEN THE ORIGINAL MOTION PASSED, TIMING AND DIFFICULTY IN NEGOTIATIONS WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN AN ISSUE. THE COUNTY IS OFFERING A COMPETITIVE HUNGER STYLE, HUNGER GAME STYLE HIRING PROCESS, WHICH IS JUST A LAYOFF. EVEN LOSS OF MANAGEMENT IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THESE POSITIONS. RANK AND FILE LAHSA EMPLOYEES WHO WERE NOT INVOLVED IN THE DECISIONS THAT LED TO THIS TRANSITION ARE NOW BEING ASKED TO REAPPLY FOR POSITIONS AFTER YEARS OF SERVICE, COMPETING WITH EVERYONE, INCLUDING MANAGEMENT. I WANT TO BE CLEAR, THIS MODEL DOES NOT PROVIDE JOB SECURITY AND HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY REPRESENTED STAFF. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR SET MATTER 1 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

HEATHER VARDEN: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS HEATHER VARDEN. I'M AN SEIU LOCAL 721 STEWART AND REGIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER REPRESENTING LAHSA WORKERS WHO ARE FUNDED BY THIS COUNTY. FIRST, THANK YOU FOR DIRECTING THE CEO AND DEPARTMENT OF HR TO CREATE PATHWAYS FOR LAHSA EMPLOYEES INTO COUNTY SERVICE. WE ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT IN THE REPORT

TO AVOID ANY BREAK IN HEALTH BENEFITS, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUED NEGOTIATION AS THIS PROCESS MOVES FORWARD. THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN THIS TRANSITION IS THAT PEOPLE WE SERVE ARE NOT NEGATIVELY IMPACTED. WE ARE HERE TO SOLVE HOMELESSNESS AND THAT REQUIRES STABILITY, EXPERIENCE, AND CONTINUITY ON THE FRONT LINES. AS IT STANDS TODAY, 85 OUTREACH WORKERS ARE IDENTIFIED FOR TRANSITION AND THE CONDITIONS OF THAT TRANSITION HAVE NOT YET BEEN FINALIZED WITH LABOR. THE REPORT ALSO CONFIRMS 315 REPRESENTED LASA EMPLOYEES ARE FUNDED BY THE COUNTY. SO, THIS IS CRITICAL THAT THE PROCESS PROTECTS WORKERS AND THE SYSTEM. OUR CORE REQUEST IS SIMPLE. WE ASK THAT WORKERS BE ALLOWED TO KEEP THEIR ORIGINAL HIRE DATE SO THEIR SENIORITY AND JOB SECURITY -

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SANDY MARTINEZ: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SANDY MARTINEZ AND I CURRENTLY WORK FOR LAHSA, REPRESENTED BY SEIU 721. I CAME INTO THIS WORK NEARLY 11 YEARS AGO AS A HEP MEMBER WHILE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS MYSELF. I WAS HIRED BECAUSE SOMEONE BELIEVED IN ME, DIRECTOR JEANETTE ROWE, WHO HAS SINCE PASSED AWAY. SHE SAW SOMETHING IN ME BEFORE, I SAW IT IN MYSELF, AND I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T GIVE UP ON ME. I NEVER CHASE PROMOTIONS OR HIRE PAY, I LIVE PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK, BUT I STAYED BECAUSE I LOVE SERVING THE SKID ROW COMMUNITY. HELPING

PEOPLE REBUILD THEIR LIVES MATTERS TO ME BECAUSE I KNOW WHAT STRUGGLE FEELS LIKE. TODAY AS I'M HEARING THERE MAY BE TRANSITION OPPORTUNITIES I'M HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES. I URGE THE BOARD TO ENSURE ANY TRANSITION PLAN IS CLEAR, FAIR, AND INCLUSIVE AND THAT A REAL TRANSFER PATH INTO COUNTY POSITIONS EXISTS SO NO ONE WHO HAS DEDICATED THEIR TIME AND HEART TO THIS WORK IS LEFT BEHIND. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

EMILY BALL: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMILY BALL. I AM A LAHSA EMPLOYEE, A PROUD SEIU 721 MEMBER, AND A RESIDENT OF VALENCIA IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT NUMBER 5. EPI STATED AT THE TOP OF THIS ITEM THAT IT IS THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO BRING OVER 315 LAHSA FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES TO THE NEW DEPARTMENT. MY FELLOW LAHSA SEIU MEMBERS AND I ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH THE COUNTY TO ENSURE A SMOOTH AND EFFICIENT TRANSITION OF ALL 315 LAHSA FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES WITH NO INTERRUPTION IN EMPLOYMENT, PAY OR BENEFITS BY JULY 1ST, 2026. THANK YOU SO MUCH. REALLY APPRECIATE YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ALAN SPRING: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALAN SPRING. I'M A LAHSA RETIREE AND A RETIREE MEMBER OF SEIU 721. SECTION 27 OF MEASURE A WAS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS. IT CONTAINS PROTECTIONS FOR EXISTING LAHSA OF WORKERS, INCLUDING THAT IT NOT RESULT IN DISPLACEMENT OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. I AM JUST HERE TO ENFORCE THOSE PROTECTIONS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

REYNA MONTOYA: WELL, MY NAME IS REVEREND REYNA MONTOYA. MONTOYA. I GUESS MY NAME GOT LISTED TWICE THERE. IN MY POSITION AS FAITH-BASED COORDINATOR FOR THE PEOPLE CONCERNS SPA 4, ONE OF MY JOBS IS I PARTNER WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, MANY RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS AND MANY CHURCHES. AND I CAN SAY THAT SET MATTER 1 GIVES ME SOME CONCERNS BECAUSE WHEN WE MAKE DECISIONS, THOSE DECISIONS AFFECT OTHER PEOPLE, THEY TRICKLE DOWN. AND WE HAVE TO THINK OF THE INDIVIDUALS, WE HAVE TO THINK OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS IN THE CARE. AND WE REALLY HAVE TO BE SURE THAT THESE STAFF MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY MY FRIEND, DANIEL PEREZ, I'LL SPEAK ON DANIEL PEREZ, NEEDS TO BE SURE THAT THEIR PROBATION, THERE'S NO PROBATION, THAT THERE'S NO GAP IN EMPLOYMENT, THAT THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE IS CONSIDERED. BUT THIS NEEDS TO BE MORE TRANSPARENT AND MORE AUTHENTIC SO THAT THERE'S AN UNDERSTANDING AMONG ALL PARTIES THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY TO GO. AMEN, THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CLAUDIA JEREZ: GOOD MORNING, CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS, DWC. I WANT TO SAY I'M SO RELIEVED TO KNOW THAT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE PATHWAY FOR LAHSA TO HAVE COUNTY VENTURES IS AWESOME, I THINK IT'S GREAT. BUT YOU KNOW, SINCE LAHSA IS SUCH A BIG PART OF OUR LIVES, YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT HOMELESSNESS IS SO UNCONTROLLABLE, YOU KNOW, AND THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSE HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT NEED. WE ARE FULFILLING A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT JOB WHEN WE WORK FOR LAHSA. I THINK, YOU KNOW, FOR THE COUNTY TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A PATHWAY IS AWESOME, AND YOU KNOW, I WANT TO SAY THAT AS A FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEE, I AM VERY RELIEVED AND KNOW THAT THIS NEW PATH WILL BE A SUCCESS. SO, I'M HAPPY AND I GIVE THUMBS UP.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THIS REPORT WILL BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, HEARING NO OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 11, PRESENTATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2026/27, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING MEASURE H AND HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM SPENDING PLAN, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I THINK WE WANT TO JUST GO AHEAD AND HEAR THE PRESENTATION FIRST THAT WOULD BE CORRECT AND THEN I'LL WE'LL GO THROUGH AND HAVE QUESTIONS FROM THE MEMBERS. THANK YOU SARAH. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY.

SARAH MAHIN: GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. MY NAME AGAIN IS SARAH MAHIN AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE NEWLY LAUNCHED L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING OR HSH. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY. I'M HERE TO PRESENT AN OVERVIEW OF HSH'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 26/27 MEASURE A MEASURE H AND HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION OR HAP SPENDING PLAN. IT'S A MOUTHFUL. I'LL BE RETURNING TO YOU ON FEBRUARY 3RD WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE BOARD LETTER FOR THE 26/27 SPENDING PLAN. THE PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN AND PROCESS I WILL REVIEW TODAY ILLUSTRATES HOW WE'VE INCORPORATED COMMUNITY AND PARTNER FEEDBACK THROUGHOUT. IT ALSO DEMONSTRATES A THROUGHOUT. IT

ALSO DEMONSTRATES A COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY, TO ACCOUNTABILITY, TO COLLABORATION AND INNOVATION. BEFORE I BEGIN, I WANT TO REITERATE WHAT I HAVE BEEN SHARING SINCE WE FIRST BEGAN DISCUSSING THIS PROCESS SIX MONTHS AGO. THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY CHALLENGING BUDGET YEAR, WHICH HAS BEEN PAINFUL FOR ALL OF US, MOST OF ALL FOR OUR FRONTLINE STAFF AND FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WE SERVE. THE HSH TEAM HAS WORKED EXHAUSTIVELY TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF A FUNDING SHORTFALL BY IDENTIFYING COST SAVINGS AND NEW ONE-TIME FUNDING SOURCES, WHICH I'LL BE DISCUSSING SHORTLY. WE HAVE HEARD CONSISTENTLY FROM SYSTEM PARTNERS, INCLUDING SERVICE PROVIDERS AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, THAT APPROVING THE SPENDING PLAN EARLY IN THE YEAR IS CRITICAL TO AVOIDING SERVICE DISRUPTIONS AND TO ENSURING THAT FUNDING DECISIONS MADE BY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS CAN BE INFORMED BY THE COUNTY'S FUNDING DECISIONS. NEXT SLIDE. OUR FY 26/27 MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN IS DRIVEN BY TWO PRIMARY FACTORS. THE FIRST IS THE MEASURE A ORDINANCE ITSELF. THIS IS THE FIRST MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN BEING DIRECTED BY THE EXPECTATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE. IN CONTRAST TO MEASURE H, THE LANGUAGE IN THE MEASURE A ORDINANCE IS DIRECTLY TIED TO OUTCOMES. MEASURE A DICTATES THAT WE INVEST IN PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT ACHIEVE THE GOALS THAT ARE SPECIFIED BY THE ORDINANCE. THESE GOALS SERVE AS OUR NORTH STAR. IN TURN, WE ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE PROGRESS TOWARDS THESE GOALS THAT ARE OUTLINED IN THE ORDINANCE AND TARGET AND EQUITY METRICS THAT WERE DEVELOPED BY

THE LEADERSHIP TABLE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT, RECOMMENDED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT AND ADOPTED BY THIS BOARD IN MARCH OF 2025. THIS MEANS THAT THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES WE FUND IN THE SPENDING PLAN MUST DRIVE PROGRESS TOWARDS ACHIEVING THESE OUTCOMES. AND AS SUCH, IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE LANGUAGE IN THE ORDINANCE REQUIRES REALLOCATING FUNDING IF TARGET METRICS LEADING UP TO THESE GOALS HAVE NOT BEEN ACHIEVED BY DECEMBER 31, 2030. THE SECOND FACTOR IS OUR FISCAL DEFICIT. AS WE'VE EMPHASIZED SINCE WE BEGAN THIS PROCESS, THE REGION'S FISCAL REALITY MEANS THAT THIS YEAR WE MUST MAKE HARD CHOICES ABOUT HOW TO INVEST OUR LIMITED RESOURCES. NEXT SLIDE. THIS GRAPH ILLUSTRATES THE ESTIMATED TOTAL MEASURE A REVENUE DISTRIBUTION FOR THE COMING FISCAL YEAR TO ALL PARTIES, INCLUDING TO L.A. COUNTY, WHICH WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY HSH, AS WELL AS FUNDS THAT ARE DIRECTED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, OR LACDA, AND TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS AGENCY, OR LACAHSA. IT ALSO REFLECTS THE FUNDING THAT WILL FLOW DIRECTLY TO CITIES AND COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE NEW DEPARTMENT. THROUGH MEASURE A, THERE IS MORE LOCAL MONEY THAN EVER BEFORE FLOWING DIRECTLY INTO OUR COMMUNITIES AND INTO THE LONG-TERM AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS WE NEED. THAT'S WHY L.A. COUNTY AND OUR PARTNERS ARE TRANSITIONING FROM A CRISIS RESPONSE SYSTEM TO A ROBUST SYSTEM THAT'S CAPABLE OF KEEPING MORE PEOPLE HOUSED. BUT WHILE THE

HALF-CENT SALES TAX GENERATES MORE OVERALL REVENUE THAN MEASURE H, IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE FUNDING FOR HSH TO ADMINISTER FOR HOMELESS SERVICES REMAINS AT ROUGHLY THE SAME LEVEL AS UNDER MEASURE H. THE MAJORITY OF THE REMAINING MEASURE A FUNDS ARE DIRECTED TO LACDA AND TO LACAHSA TO ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES OF HOMELESSNESS COUNTYWIDE. THE FUNDING I WILL DISCUSS TODAY DOES NOT INCLUDE THE NEARLY $94,000,000 IN LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS DOLLARS. THESE FUNDING ARE REQUIRED BY MEASURE A TO BE DISTRIBUTED DIRECTLY TO OUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT. THEY IN TURN ARE VITAL PARTNERS WHO ARE CHARGED ALSO WITH HELPING TO ADVANCE REGIONAL GOALS AND ADDRESSING LOCAL GAPS THROUGH THEIR LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS. AND WHILE THE COUNTY DOES NOT DETERMINE HOW THESE DOLLARS ARE SPENT, WE SUPPORT JURISDICTIONS THROUGH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, THROUGH GUIDANCE, PARTNERSHIP, AND THROUGH OTHER RESOURCES TO HELP LEVERAGE AND MAXIMIZE THEIR IMPACT. THE MEASURE A FUNDING REFLECTED IN TODAY'S DISCUSSION ARE HIGHLIGHTED ON THE SCREEN AND INCLUDED IN HSH'S DRAFT SPENDING PLAN. IT TOTALS APPROXIMATELY $544,000,000. IN ADDITION, THE SPENDING PLAN LEVERAGES THE 8% PROJECTED UNDERSPEND FROM THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, ALONG WITH THE STATE HAP FUNDING. NEXT SLIDE. AS HSH DEVELOPED THE SPENDING PLAN, WE WERE REQUIRED TO CLOSE A PROJECTED $303,000,000 SHORTFALL THAT WERE DRIVEN BY INCREASED PROGRAM COSTS, REDUCED REVENUE, AND DECLINING ONE-TIME FUNDS. THE LARGEST DRIVER, TOTALING

$271,000,000, IS DRIVEN BY THE LOSS OF REDUCTION OF SEVERAL STATE, FEDERAL, AND ONE-TIME FUNDING STREAMS THAT ARE OUTSIDE OF OUR CONTROL. THAT INCLUDES ABOUT $38,000,000 IN FEDERAL AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT FUNDING AND ABOUT $39,000,000 IN STATE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION FUNDING. THE LOSS OF THOSE FUNDING COMBINED WITH NEW OR EXPANDED COST OBLIGATIONS THAT THE NEW DEPARTMENT MUST ABSORB. THESE INCLUDE GROWTH AND ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING MEASURE A FUNDED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SUCH AS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND INTERIM HOUSING, BED RATES, PATHWAY HOME AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH NEW HOUSING SITES THAT ARE COMING ONLINE. PART OF THESE COSTS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE, REFLECT STRATEGIC ONE-TIME FUNDING THAT THE COUNTY USED TO SCALE UP THE HOMELESS SYSTEM IN RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON HOMELESSNESS IN 2023. AND WHILE THESE FUNDS WERE NOT ONGOING, THE BOARD PRIORITIZED AN AGGRESSIVE PROACTIVE APPROACH. AND NOW SOME OF THESE EXPANDED SERVICES NEED TO BE SUPPORTED THROUGH OUR ONGOING REVENUE STREAMS. SECOND, MEASURE A IS A SALES TAX, WHICH MEANS THAT REVENUE FLUCTUATES BASED ON CONSUMER SPENDING. GIVEN THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY, WE ANTICIPATE AN ESTIMATED $14,400,000 DECREASE IN REVENUE COMING TO HSH NEXT FISCAL YEAR. FINALLY, AS WE CONTINUE RESPONDING TO THE CRISIS, WE ARE DEPLOYING FUNDS MORE QUICKLY, WHICH REDUCES UNSPENT FUNDS AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. AS A RESULT, WE ANTICIPATE 18,000,000 LESS IN ONE-TIME CARRYOVER FUNDING BEING AVAILABLE NEXT FISCAL YEAR

THAN WE HAD THIS FISCAL YEAR. WE'VE REPEATEDLY ENGAGED THE COMMUNITY AS WE DEVELOP SEVERAL MITIGATION STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THIS DEFICIT, INCLUDING IDENTIFYING ABOUT $39,000,000 IN ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME FUNDING SOURCES WHICH WE HAVE LEVERAGED IN THE SPENDING PLAN. WE ALSO, AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO NOTE, ARE IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCIES THROUGHOUT HSH TO HELP FULLY CLOSE THIS GAP. AT THE BOARD'S DIRECTION, HSH IS STREAMLINING PROGRAMS TO LOWER COSTS WHILE MAINTAINING QUALITY OF CARE FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WE SERVE. THROUGH THIS EFFORT, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED APPROXIMATELY $45,000,000 IN EFFICIENCIES. WE ARE PROPOSING A REDUCTION OF NEW FUNDING FOR PATHWAY HOME BY $92,000,000, AND WE ARE PROPOSING ROUGHLY $127,000,000 IN PROGRAMMATIC CURTAILMENTS ACROSS MULTIPLE PROGRAM AREAS, MOST NOTABLY IN STREET OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT, REGIONAL COORDINATION, PREVENTION, AND NON-HOUSING RELATED SUPPORTIVE SERVICES. THE FINAL SPENDING PLAN, WHILE ALSO ORIENTING TOWARDS MEASURE A REQUIREMENTS, IS OUR BEST EFFORT TO STRATEGICALLY MANAGE THE LIMITED RESOURCES WITHIN THIS DYNAMIC AND CHALLENGING FISCAL ENVIRONMENT. NEXT SLIDE. TO GUIDE THESE DIFFICULT FUNDING DECISIONS, THIS YEAR'S PROCESS HAS LOOKED QUITE DIFFERENT THAN WE DID IN YEARS PAST. OVER THE NEXT FEW SLIDES, I'M GOING TO REVIEW THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS WHERE WE SPECIFICALLY ASKED OUR PARTNERS HOW WE SHOULD DECIDE WHAT PROGRAMS TO CUT FROM OUR BUDGET. NEXT SLIDE. FROM JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2025, HSH LED AN EXPANDED COMMUNITY

INFORMED PROCESS. IN SEPTEMBER 2025, HSH'S CONSULTANT FACILITATED 12 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORMS THAT REACHED OVER 900 PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE, SERVICE PROVIDERS, LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, AND OTHER SYSTEM PARTNERS TO INFORM THE TWO-PHASE EVALUATION PROCESS THAT WE USE TO DEVELOP THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. HSH ALSO SOUGHT INPUT THROUGH EXISTING GOVERNANCE AND ADVISORY BODIES, INCLUDING THE HOMELESS POLICY DEPUTIES, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND LEADERSHIP TABLE FOR REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT, AND THE MEASURE A LABOR COUNCIL. FOCUS ENGAGEMENT WAS CONDUCTED WITH BOARD OFFICES, WITH COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, WITH LAHSA, AND WITH OTHER REGIONAL AND SYSTEM PARTNERS. AND WE PROVIDED REGULAR UPDATES AS WELL AS REFINEMENTS TO OUR DECISION-MAKING CRITERIA AS THOSE CONVERSATIONS EVOLVED. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE ANTI-RACISM, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION, OUR ARTI INITIATIVE, COLLABORATED CLOSELY WITH HSH THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS TO ENSURE THAT EQUITY WAS AT THE FOREFRONT OF DECISION-MAKING AND EMBEDDED ACROSS THE SPENDING PLAN. ON NOVEMBER 20, 2025, HSH PUBLICLY RELEASED THE DRAFT SPENDING PLAN AT A VIRTUAL COMMUNITY TOWN HALL THAT WAS ATTENDED BY MORE THAN 800 PARTICIPANTS AND IT LAUNCHED OUR 16-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. NEXT SLIDE. SO, IN PHASE 1 OF OUR PROCESS, WE APPLIED A COMMUNITY-INFORMED RUBRIC TO ALL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WERE FUNDED BY MEASURE A IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR TO INFORM OUR PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS NEXT

YEAR. AND THE FEEDBACK THAT WE RECEIVED ULTIMATELY FORMED THE BASIS FOR DOING A TWO-PHASE EVALUATION PROCESS. NEXT, BASED ON THE FEEDBACK THAT WE RECEIVED, WE CONDUCTED A DEEPER LEVEL AT THE PROGRAM LEVEL REVIEW USING BOTH QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE DATA. THIS INCLUDES ANALYZING PROGRAMMATIC OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE, EXPLORING HOW POTENTIAL CURTAILMENTS WOULD IMPACT SPECIFIC SUBPOPULATIONS THAT MAY ALREADY BE OVERREPRESENTED IN THE HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM, OR WHO ARE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE, AND EXAMINING HOW OTHER RESOURCES ARE BEING LEVERAGED TO FUND OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. AS I MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, WE PARTNERED REALLY CLOSELY WITH ARDI, IN PARTICULAR ON THIS PART OF THE PROCESS. TOGETHER, HSH AND ARDI DEVELOPED A METHODOLOGY THAT FOCUSED ON REDUCING RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPROPORTIONALITY, SLOWING AND REVERSING GROWTH AND HOMELESSNESS AMONG RAPIDLY GROWING GROUPS, AND IMPROVING EQUITABLE ACCESS, EXPERIENCE, AND OUTCOMES ACROSS THE REHOUSING SYSTEM. THIS METHODOLOGY WAS USED TO DRAFT THE PROPOSED FUNDING ALLOCATIONS. AT THE CONCLUSION OF OUR PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, HSH REVISED THE DRAFT SPENDING PLAN IN RESPONSE TO THE FEEDBACK THAT WE RECEIVED. AS I MENTIONED, IN ADDITION TO THE $39,000,000 OF ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME FUNDING THAT I REFERENCED EARLIER, WE ALSO PARTNERED WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH AGING AND DISABILITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES, TO IDENTIFY HOME SAFE FUNDING, WHICH IS A STATE GRANT. AND BY USING THAT

FUNDING TO HELP COVER COSTS OF PEOPLE WHO WERE HOUSED THROUGH PREVIOUS HOME SAFE CYCLES, WE WERE ABLE TO RESTORE CRITICAL PROGRAMMING THAT WERE ELEVATED BY COMMUNITY AND PARTNER FEEDBACK. THAT INCLUDES RESTORING FUNDING FOR THE CBEST OR BENEFITS DISABILITY ADVOCACY PROGRAM, PROBLEM SOLVING FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE LITERALLY HOMELESS, AND THE DPSS HOUSING SUBSIDIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. HSH WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR SYSTEM PARTNERS TO IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO ADVANCE ADVOCACY EFFORTS AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL FOR ONGOING FUNDING SOURCES. WE ALSO WILL ADDRESS HOW PROGRAMS ARE IMPLEMENTED IN LIGHT OF FUNDING REDUCTIONS, MEANING THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN APPLY COMMUNITY FREE BACK TO DRIVE EFFICIENCIES, TO STRENGTHEN EQUITY, AND TO IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY WHILE MINIMIZING IMPACTS ON SERVICE DELIVERY. NOW I'M GOING TO WALK THROUGH THE FY26/27 SPENDING PLAN. WE ADVANCE TO THE NEXT SLIDE. OUR REGION'S HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM IS FUNDED BY A VARIETY OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL REVENUE STREAMS, SOME OF WHICH WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY HSH. WE CAN PLEASE ADVANCE TWO MORE SLIDES. TODAY WE ARE PRIMARILY DISCUSSING THE MEASURE A FUNDING ADMINISTERED BY HSH. THIS INCLUDES FUNDING FOR COMPREHENSIVE HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS, ACCOUNTABILITY DATA AND RESEARCH OR ADR, AND HOMELESSNESS INNOVATIONS. THAT'S CAPTURED IN YELLOW. THE FUNDS WE'RE DISCUSSING IS JUST A PORTION OF THE OVERALL FUNDING, WHICH INCLUDES FUNDING THAT'S IN BLUE. NEXT

SLIDE. THE NEXT SLIDE PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF HSH'S MEASURE A BY PROGRAMMATIC CATEGORY, HIGHLIGHTING THE APPROVED ALLOCATION IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR AND THE PROPOSED ALLOCATION NEXT FISCAL YEAR. IT INCLUDES ESTIMATED FY 25/26 CARRYOVER AND A PORTION OF THE STATE HALF ROUND 6 FUNDS. I'LL ALSO NOTE THAT THE FY 25/26 APPROVED ALLOCATIONS COMBINE TRADITIONAL ADMINISTRATION WITH PROGRAMMATIC STAFFING FOR CEO HOMELESS INITIATIVE DHS HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND LAHSA OF ADMINISTRATIVE LINE ADAMS FOR CLARITY AND TRANSPARENCY THE FY 26/27 SPENDING PLAN SEPARATES PROGRAMMATIC STAFFING BY FUNCTIONAL AREA FROM ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS TO ILLUSTRATE CLEARLY THE FUNDING GOING TOWARDS PROGRAMMATIC STAFF AND THOSE TOWARDS ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND STAFFING. TRUE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ACCOUNT FOR APPROXIMATELY 6% OF THE FY 26/27 SPENDING PLAN AND TOTAL FUNDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROGRAMMATIC STAFFING WHICH INCLUDE HSH'S INTERIM HOUSING, CLINICAL SERVICES STAFF, AND OTHERS IS $3,600,000 LOWER THAN THE SAME COSTS ACROSS HI, HOUSING FOR HEALTH, AND LAHSA IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. THE HOMELESS SOLUTIONS INNOVATIONS BUDGET INCLUDES $10,700,000 FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, ENGAGEMENT WITH PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE, COORDINATION WITH FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND TARGETED PILOT INITIATIVES ALIGNED WITH THE MEASURE A GOALS. AND FINALLY, THE ACCOUNTABILITY DATA AND RESEARCH BUDGET INCLUDES $16,000,000 IN INVESTMENTS MANDATED BY MEASURE A AND ESSENTIAL TO SYSTEM OVERSIGHT, TRANSPARENCY, EQUITY, AND

TRACKING. FOR EXAMPLE, THIS INCLUDES THE HOMELESS COUNT, THE HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM, THE COUNTY-WIDE INFO HUB, AND PROVIDING SUPPORT TO CITIES AND OTHER LOCAL PARTNERS WITH ACCESS TO DATA AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON HOW TO USE THAT DATA. NEXT SLIDE SHOWS PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS FOR OUTREACH, INTERIM HOUSING, AND PERMANENT HOUSING AND THE MEASURE A FUNDED ADULT SYSTEM FOR FY 26/27. OUTREACH IS ONE OF THE PROGRAM AREAS THAT'S FACING CUTS TO PRIORITIZE FUNDING FOR BEDS AND HOUSING. WE ARE RECOMMENDING MEASURE A FUND 28 HSH MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS OR MDTS, 8 HSH WEEKEND PART-TIME GENERALIST MDTS, 3 GENERALIST OUTREACH MDTS, AND 15 HSH COUNTYWIDE OUTREACH TEAMS. HOWEVER, I WANT TO NOTE THAT WE ARE PURSUING VARIOUS PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCIES AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THE IMPACT OF THESE PROPOSED REDUCTIONS. AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THIS DOES NOT REPRESENT ALL OF THE OUTREACH IN OUR SYSTEM, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES SHERIFF'S HOST TEAMS, FIELD MEDICINE TEAMS, OUTREACH PROVIDED BY DMH, OUTREACH FUNDED BY LOCAL JURISDICTIONS. SO, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT WHILE THERE IS A REDUCTION BEING RECOMMENDED ON OUTREACH FUNDED BY MEASURE A, THERE IS STILL OTHER OUTREACH OUTSIDE OF THIS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO LEVERAGE AND COORDINATE THROUGH OUR EMERGENCY CENTRALIZED RESPONSE CENTER. FOR INVESTMENTS IN INTERIM HOUSING, WE ARE RECOMMENDING 3,314 HSH INTERIM HOUSING BEDS, 166 HSH PATHWAY HOME INTERIM HOUSING BEDS, AND 550 BEDS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT

OF PUBLIC HEALTH RECOVERY BRIDGE HOUSING PROGRAM. WE WERE ABLE TO PRESERVE NEARLY ALL OF OUR MEASURE A FUNDED INTERIM HOUSING BEDS BY IDENTIFYING PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCY AND LEVERAGING AVAILABLE RESOURCES OUTSIDE OF MEASURE A. WITHOUT THESE ADJUSTMENTS THE IMPACT TO OUR SYSTEM WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH MORE SEVERE. WITHIN PERMANENT HOUSING, WE WERE ABLE TO PRESERVE ALMOST ALL PERMANENT HOUSING WITH THIS REDUCTION BY LEVERAGING NON-A RESOURCES LIKE HAP AND HOMESAFE AND IMPLEMENTING, AGAIN, PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES THAT RESULT IN COST EFFICIENCIES. NEXT SLIDE. THE NEXT FEW SLIDES SHOW THE INTERIM AND PERMANENT HOUSING RESOURCES FUNDED FOR FAMILIES, FOR YOUTH, AND SURVIVORS OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT WE PRIORITIZE PRESERVING ALL INTERIM AND PERMANENT HOUSING RESOURCES FOR THESE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. WE'RE PROPOSING FUNDING 1,199 INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND 487 TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDY SLOTS FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN NEXT FISCAL YEAR, WHICH IS MAINTAINING THE LEVELS THAT WE HAVE THIS YEAR FUNDED WITH MEASURE A. FOR FAMILIES, IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE ALSO THAT OUR FIRST GOAL IS ALWAYS TO REFER THEM TO MAINSTREAM RESOURCES LIKE CALWORKS AND IF TO SEE IF THESE PROGRAMS CAN MEET THEIR NEEDS FIRST. MEASURE A FUNDED INTERIM AND PERMANENT HOUSING RESOURCES ARE ALWAYS USED AS A LAST RESORT IF FAMILIES CAN'T GET THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED THROUGH MAINSTREAM RESOURCES. NEXT SLIDE. HSH RECOMMENDS FUNDING 809 YOUTH INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND 120 TIME-LIMITED

SUBSIDY SLOTS FOR YOUTH AND FY 26/27. THIS INCLUDES AN INCREASE OF 44 ADDITIONAL INTERIM HOUSING BEDS FOR YOUTH. THIS IS A BRIGHT SPOT IN OUR SPENDING PLAN AND IS A REFLECTION OF NEW BEDS THAT ARE COMING ONLINE THROUGH PROJECT HOME KEY. THE ONLY CURTAILMENT TO YOUTH HOUSING NEXT YEAR IS A REDUCTION OF 55 HOST HOME SLOTS, WHICH IS A PROGRAM THAT HAS HAD HISTORICALLY LOW UTILIZATION. NEXT SLIDE. HSH RECOMMENDS FUNDING 45 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND 115 TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDY SLOTS FOR SURVIVORS OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE, WHICH IS CONSISTENT AND, AGAIN, MAINTAINING THE LEVELS THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. NEXT SLIDE. PATHWAY HOME IS AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE WE BUILT LARGELY WITH ONE-TIME FUNDS, MEASURE A FUND BALANCE AND ERF, AND IT HAS PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN REDUCING UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS. AS ONE-TIME FUNDING ENDS, THE FY26/27 RECOMMENDATION IS TO SCALE THE PROGRAM DOWN FROM 20 SITES WITH 1,245 INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND WE'RE COMMITTED TO DOING IT WHILE KEEPING IT ACTIVE IN EVERY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. THIS WILL REQUIRE $8,000,000 MORE IN MEASURE A FUNDING THAN THE R.V. REMOVAL EFFORTS ACROSS PATHWAY HOME AND HOST OPERATIONS SO THAT WE CAN ACHIEVE EFFICIENCIES AND MAINTAIN AS MUCH CAPACITY FOR RV REMOVAL AS POSSIBLE. WE WILL ALSO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCIES AGAIN TO MAXIMIZE RESOURCES AND FOR ANY CLOSED SITES WE WILL USE EXISTING FUNDING FOR HOUSING PLACEMENTS FOR THOSE PARTICIPANTS AT THOSE SITES. WHEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED,

PATHWAY HOME WILL OPERATE SEVEN SITES WITH 460 INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND AGAIN WITH AT LEAST ONE SITE IN EVERY SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. MOTEL-BASED OPERATIONS WILL DROP FROM 30 TO 10 A YEAR, AND ALL OTHER OPERATIONS WILL USE VACANT BEDS IN THE COUNTY'S BROADER INTERIM HOUSING NETWORK. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY, AGAIN, FOR US TO FIND SOME EFFICIENCIES WHILE KEEPING THINGS MOVING FORWARD SUCCESSFUL STRATEGIES LIKE ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION. AND FINALLY, WE ESTIMATE THAT OUR RV CAPACITY WILL BE ABOUT 300 RVS ANNUALLY. SO, WITH THIS, I JUST WANT TO NOTE THAT THIS WORK IS JUST BEGINNING. THIS WAS A VERY CHALLENGING BUDGET PROCESS AND PROCESS TO BE WORKING WITH OUR COMMUNITY OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS. AND AFTER THE BOARD VOTES ON THE FINAL SPENDING PLAN ON FEBRUARY 3RD. WE'LL BE WORKING VERY HARD TO IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS, YOU KNOW, MINIMIZING ANY INTERRUPTION IN SERVICES OR DISRUPTION IN SERVICES. AND WE'RE REALLY COMMITTED TO MAKING THESE CHANGES WITH EQUITY, WITH ACCOUNTABILITY, AND WITH TRANSPARENCY AT THE FOREFRONT OF OUR DECISION-MAKING. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING AND HAPPY TO TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SARAH. I WANTED YOU TO PREPARE THIS PRESENTATION BECAUSE AS YOU SAID, WE'LL COME BACK FOR A VOTE FEBRUARY THE 3RD. SO I THINK IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC AND FOR THE BOARD MEMBERS TO ACTUALLY HEAR HOW YOU HAVE COME ABOUT PRESENTING THE BUDGET,

PIECING IT TOGETHER. AND I KNOW IT'S BEEN A CHALLENGE. I'M NOT PARTICULARLY HAPPY WITH EVERYTHING THAT I'M SEEING AND I'VE EXPRESSED THAT TO YOU AND I'VE HEARD QUITE FRANKLY FROM MY PROVIDERS. PEOPLE ARE DISAPPOINTED BUT I ALSO THINK IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO LAY OUT WHERE THESE CUTS, THE MAJORITY OF CUTS ARE COMING FROM AND WHY WE HAVE TO DO THIS. AND I THINK FOR THE PUBLIC, THEY NEED TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WE ARE IN A DIFFERENT ARENA, POLITICAL ARENA WHERE WE ARE LOSING REVENUE AS QUICK AS WE CAN. I MEAN, I DON'T EVEN WANT TO SAY SPEND IT BECAUSE WE'RE PLANNING ON THINGS. YOU CAN'T HIRE PEOPLE FOR THREE YEARS OUT IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE, YOU CAN'T EVEN COUNT ON THAT FUNDING. IT'S BEING CLAWED BACK. CLAWED BACK MEANS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS ABSOLUTELY NOT WITH US ON THESE PROGRAMS. AND IT'S DISHEARTENING BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITIES WORK SO HARD TO PASS THIS MEASURE. AND ON TOP OF THAT, YOU KNOW, WE WERE AND WE ARE STILL, YOU KNOW, CHANGING THE TIDE. WE'RE BRINGING DOWN THE NUMBERS, WE KNOW, BUT WE NEED TO DO MORE. IT'S AS THOUGH WE'RE DRINKING OUT OF A FIRE HOSE, SO TO SPEAK. AND THAT'S HOW I FEEL. I'M RATHER DISGUSTED WITH THE CUTBACKS THAT I'M SEEING BECAUSE THE MOST VULNERABLE ARE THE VERY PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE IMAGINED HELPING FROM, I THINK, DAY ONE FOR SOME OF US WHO ARE ON THE BOARD. AND I KNOW THAT A LOT OF US WILL HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS. AND FOR ME, SARAH, I JUST WANT TO SAY THE MORE THAT YOU CAN CONTINUE TO DO TO REACH OUT TO OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR PROVIDERS AND OUR CITIES. AND I'VE

ALWAYS BEEN A STICKLER, I KNOW SUPERVISOR BARGER HAS TOO, REGARDING OUR CITIES, BECAUSE THEY TOO FEEL THEY'RE GOING TO WANT TO HAVE SOME HANDHOLDING HERE AND UNDERSTANDING WHY, WHY WE HAVE TO MAKE THESE DRAMATIC CHANGES NOW WHILE WE JUST PASSED A SALES TAX TO HELP IMPROVE HOMELESSNESS AND ALL OF THAT. AND WE NEED TO REALLY BE CONCISE ABOUT IT. AND I'M REALLY WANTING YOU TO DO THAT WITH YOUR TEAM AND WITH THE HELP OF OUR COMMUNICATION STAFF TO GET IT OUT TO THE RIGHT MEDIA, ETHNIC MODELS AND DIFFERENT GROUPS AND POPULATIONS THAT MAY NOT HEAR THE VOICE THAT IS EXPLAINING WHAT THE BUDGET PROCESS LOOKS LIKE HERE AT THESE MEETINGS, BUT REALLY DO MORE OF THAT VERY, VERY ORGANIC WORK THAT NEEDS TO TAKE PLACE. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT THE CEO WILL HELP YOU AND OUR COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT WILL DO THEIR BEST TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN, BECAUSE THAT'S VERY CRITICAL. IT'S NOT EASY FOR US TO DIGEST THAT WE'RE COMING INTO THIS, THE NEW DEPARTMENT WITH THE $300,000,000 DEFICIT. THAT MEANS YOU'RE COMING IN ALREADY BEHIND THIRD BASE, SO TO SPEAK. AND I KNOW IT'S GOING TO GET TOUGHER BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE MORE THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO DO. AND I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE MY ANGER OUT ON YOU. IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT. I THINK THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER FACTORS. AND I DON'T MEAN IT TO BE DELIVERED IN THAT MANNER AT ALL, BECAUSE I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING, AND I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY AS WELL TO TRY TO MAKE SOME ADJUSTMENTS. AND THE ADJUSTMENTS THAT I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD DO IS WITH OUTREACH, WITH THE

OUTREACH COMPONENTS, BECAUSE I THINK THAT WE'VE DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB WORKING WITH OUR SHERIFF HOST TEAMS, TRYING TO CONNECT IN OUR ENCAMPMENTS, AND GIVING PEOPLE ACCESS TO HOUSING RESOURCES. IT'S BEEN SO EFFECTIVE, AND WE DID THAT OUT IN SEVERAL TIMES IN WHITTIER NARROWS AND ALSO IN THE CANYONS OF, I WANT TO SAY AZUSA, IT OVERLAPPED WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER MYSELF. AND WE KNOW THAT IT WORKS, AND IT'S AS THOUGH WE'RE SHOOTING OURSELVES IN THE FOOT BECAUSE WE'RE SOMEHOW REDUCING THAT SERVICE. AND MY SENSE IS THAT WE NEED MORE HELP. AND WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO ALSO GET OUR CITIES INVOLVED WITH THEIR LOCAL SOLUTIONS. AND I REALLY WANT TO SHINE A LIGHT ON WHAT THEY CAN BETTER DO, NOT JUST US GIVING THEM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, BUT SAYING IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, HOW DOES THAT TRANSLATE INTO WINTER SHELTERS OR INTERIM HOUSING? AND I THINK THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO HAVE THOSE HARD DISCUSSIONS. SO, I'M ALSO ASKING FOR OUR LEAGUE OF CITIES, OUR CONTRACT CITIES, AND ALL OF OUR FRIENDS TO STEP UP HERE WITH US BECAUSE THEY LOOK TO US, THEY POINT, PEOPLE POINT FINGERS VERY EASILY AT THIS BOARD AND SAY, YOU BROUGHT THIS ON. WE DID NOT BRING THIS ON. THIS HAS BEEN A PROBLEM FOR THE COUNTY AND I KNOW NOW THAT I'M REPRESENTING ALL OF SKID ROW, THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR DECADES, DECADES, AND NOW IS A TIME MORE THAN EVER TO SAY, OKAY, NO MORE NONSENSE. LET'S GET DOWN TO WHAT WE CAN ACTUALLY DO AND BE VERY HONEST WITH THE COMMUNITIES AND WITH OUR RESIDENTS AS WELL AS LOCAL ELECTED

OFFICIALS BECAUSE FINGER POINTING HAS TO STOP, AND THAT'S WHY I AGREE TO CREATE THIS, TO VOTE ALONG, TO CREATE THIS DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE WE NEED ACCOUNTABILITY, FOR SURE, AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SURE AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE BUY-IN IN THIS PROGRAM, THAT IT CAN'T JUST BE ONE SEGMENT OF THE COUNTY DOING EVERYTHING. AND WE CAN'T ASK FOR MENTAL HEALTH TO DO EVERYTHING FOR EVERYBODY IN THE SPACE OF HOMELESSNESS. AND I KNOW I'M LECTURING A LITTLE BIT, BUT I DON'T MEAN TO LECTURE. I DON'T MEAN TO LECTURE. I'M JUST REALLY UPSET BECAUSE WE HAVE SO MANY OTHER CHALLENGES THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE FACING RIGHT NOW, AND THERE ISN'T A DAY THAT GOES BY WHERE WE DON'T GET CALLS CONSTITUENTS CALLING SAYING. WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THESE THE ENCAMPMENTS HERE ON OUR BLOCKS OR IN THE ALLEY OR ACROSS THE STREET? WHY ISN'T SOMETHING HAPPENING? AND WHERE ARE THE TEAMS? WHERE ARE THE OUTREACH TEAMS? WHERE'S HOST? AND WHERE'S LAHSA? OR WHERE ARE OUR OUTREACH TEAMS WITH HOST? AND FOR ME, THAT'S REALLY THE BOTTOM LINE. I THINK I'VE ALWAYS BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR THIS FROM DAY ONE WHEN WE STARTED HERE AND WOULD LOVE TO SEE US REALLY FOCUS ON THAT MORE IN ANY WAY THAT WE CAN. I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT PATHWAY HOME. YOU DID A SUCCESSFUL JOB WITH US IN WHITTIER NARROWS AND WE WERE ABLE TO ACHIEVE SOMETHING THERE. BUT GUESS WHAT? IT'S ONLY TEMPORARY. AND NOW IT'S GOING TO BE EVEN LESS. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE AS WE'RE MOVING INTO THE L.A. 28, WE HAVE A SITE

THERE. AND I DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO MISCONSTRUE THAT WE'RE NOT ADDRESSING THE ISSUE. WE ARE, BUT WE WANT TO DO IT ALSO WITH THE CARE APPROACH. AND I THINK THAT SOMETIMES THAT REALLY DOES GET LOST ON PEOPLE. AND IT'S PRETTY UPSETTING TO ME. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THAT, PATHWAY HOME, INTERIM HOUSING SITES. I'M INTERESTED IN HOW PATHWAY HOME WILL CHANGE, THE PROGRAM WILL CHANGE. AND WHAT THAT MEANS IS YOU'RE SAYING WE HAVE TO RAMP IT DOWN. WHAT DOES THAT REALLY MEAN? FEWER? AND HOW ARE WE GOING TO SET THE PRIORITIES FOR WHERE THAT HAPPENS? SO THOSE ARE SOME OF MY QUESTIONS. AND THE OTHER THAT I WOULD LEAVE WITH IS THAT, YOU KNOW, FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS, WE'VE REALLY BEEN TRYING TO BUILD UP OUR ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS IN THE UNHOUSED SECTION. AND WE'VE REALLY TALKED A GOOD TALK THERE, BUT I'M VERY DISAPPOINTED ON SEEING THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY REDUCING OUTREACH TO THIS VULNERABLE POPULATION. CAN WE NOT FIND A WAY TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OR THE STATE AND SOMEHOW INTERTWINE WHAT WE'RE DOING? WE KNOW THERE'S EVIDENCE TO SHOW THESE PROGRAMS WERE SUCCESSFUL AND CAN BE. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT WE CAN, YOU KNOW, COME UP WITH SOME IDEAS TO LOOK AT THAT AND PERHAPS COME BACK TO THIS BOARD WITH SOMETHING THAT WILL GIVE US SOME EVIDENCE, A PATH FORWARD, BECAUSE I'M NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT, I'M TALKING ABOUT ALSO WOMEN VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF THERE'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN DO HERE. SO I'LL

LEAVE IT AT THAT, BUT CAN YOU RESPOND TO SOME OF MY CONCERNS, PLEASE? THANK YOU, SARAH.

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, HAPPY TO RESPOND TO SOME OF THOSE CONCERNS, AND THANK YOU FOR RAISING THEM, SUPERVISOR. I MEAN, I JUST, AGAIN, WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS REALLY CHALLENGING, AND WE'RE MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS THAT NO ONE WANTS TO BE MAKING. THESE ARE, WE ALL WISH THAT WE WERE IN A DIFFERENT FISCAL SITUATION THAN WE'RE IN AND WE'RE HAVING TO MAKE CUTS TO PROGRAMS THAT ARE EFFECTIVE AND PROVIDING REALLY VALUABLE SERVICES. BUT WE TRIED TO TAKE A REALLY THOUGHTFUL APPROACH IN THE WAY IN WHICH WE DID THAT, AND BY PRIORITIZING THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE DELIVERING THE HIGHEST IMPACT, THAT WE'RE NOT UNINTENTIONALLY LEAVING PEOPLE BEHIND, PARTICULARLY POPULATIONS THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN LEFT BEHIND. AND THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT ALL OF THE AVAILABLE RESOURCES, NOT JUST MEASURE A. IT'S OFTEN EASY TO FALL BACK ON THE MOST FLEXIBLE RESOURCE THAT WE HAVE. AND THERE ARE LOTS OF OTHER RESOURCES THAT WE NEED TO BE ENSURING THAT WE'RE FULLY UTILIZING AS WELL. ON THE OUTREACH FRONT, I MEAN, THIS WAS REALLY, THIS IS A CHALLENGING REDUCTION AND IT'S GOING TO BE FELT MORE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF L.A. THAN WITHIN THE CITY OF L.A. BECAUSE OF LEGAL OBLIGATIONS THAT WE HAVE RELATED TO OUTREACH IN THE CITY OF L.A. AND IT REALLY COMES DOWN TO PRIORITIZING THE HOUSING, INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND THE PERMANENT HOUSING SO THAT PEOPLE

WHO WE HAVE IN BEDS TODAY INSIDE TODAY CAN CONTINUE TO STAY HOUSED AND AREN'T GOING BACK OUT ONTO THE STREETS. AND IF WE DON'T HAVE THOSE BEDS FOR OUTREACH TEAMS TO BE REFERRING TO. YOU KNOW, THEY NEED RESOURCES TO BE ABLE TO CONNECT PEOPLE WITH. SO, WE REALLY TRIED TO THINK THROUGH HOW, IF WE REDUCE OUTREACH, HOW WE CAN CONTINUE TO STRETCH ALL OF OUR OUTREACH RESOURCES FURTHER, NOT JUST OUR MEASURE A FUNDED RESOURCES AND THEN HOW WE MAKE SURE THAT THE OUTREACH RESOURCES THAT DO EXIST HAVE REALLY STRONG CONNECTIONS TO INTERIM HOUSING BEDS AND TO OTHER SERVICES. SO THAT THERE'S SOMETHING MEANINGFUL FOR OUTREACH WORKERS TO BE OFFERING PEOPLE WHEN THEY'RE ON THE STREET. ON THE CITIES, I COMPLETELY AGREE, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT, YOU KNOW, I LIKE TO DESCRIBE OUR DEPARTMENT, HOW I DESCRIBE THIS, LIKE THIS IS A, THIS IS NOT A BUFFET, THIS IS A POTLUCK, AND EVERYONE BRINGS THEIR DISH TO THE TABLE, AND THAT INCLUDES OUR CITIES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND FAITH-BASED GROUPS AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS. AND SO THAT HAS VERY MUCH BEEN A PART OF THIS PROCESS. AGAIN, WHAT OTHER RESOURCES DO WE HAVE AND HOW CAN WE ALL BE STRATEGICALLY PUTTING OUR RESOURCES TOGETHER? I'VE BEEN DOING THIS WORK FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES. I'VE SEEN THE TIDES UP AND FLOW AND WE'VE WEATHERED THOSE STORMS AND WE'RE GOING TO WEATHER THE STORM AGAIN. I HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT THE HOMELESS SYSTEM WILL DO THAT. ON THE VETERAN PIECE, THERE'S A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT WERE FUNDED AT MVA THROUGH THE MEASURE A HISTORICALLY, AND SOME OF THEM WILL

CONTINUE. SO, THERE ARE TWO PROGRAMS SUPPORTING VETERANS IN THE INNOVATIONS BUCKET, VETERAN RESOURCE CENTERS AND VETERAN CALL CENTERS. THOSE VETERAN PROGRAMS WILL BE GETTING EVALUATED SO THAT WE, TO YOUR POINT, CAN REALLY LOOK AT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF IT AND UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF THOSE INVESTMENTS. WE HAVE GOTTEN THE COMMITMENT. I'VE BEEN WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH MY COUNTERPART, WITH DIRECTOR ZINNER AT MVA, AS WELL AS WITH OUR PARTNERS AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS. THERE ARE LOTS AND LOTS OF RESOURCES FOR HOMELESS VETERANS. I USED TO WORK AT THE VA. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE AS A COUNTY DO OUR JOB OF MAKING SURE THAT ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS THAT ARE VETERANS AND ELIGIBLE TO ACCESS THOSE SERVICES HAVE THOSE CONNECTIONS. WE NEED TO BE MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE FULLY UTILIZING THE RESOURCES THAT DO EXIST FOR VETERANS AND THERE ARE PLENTIFUL. SO, THIS IS A BIG PRIORITY THAT WE'LL BE WORKING ON OVER THE COMING YEAR WITH REALLY HAVING A PUSH AROUND VETERAN HOMELESSNESS AND UTILIZING THOSE VA RESOURCES.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ONE OF MY LAST QUESTIONS FOR YOU IS, LAST YEAR WE WORKED TO PRESERVE PREVENTION AND LEGAL SERVICES FOR OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LACAHSA. HOW WILL YOU CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM TO STRATEGICALLY DEPLOY FUNDS TO MITIGATE NEGATIVE IMPACTS? AND WE'RE TALKING HERE ABOUT PREVENTION. SO, IT'S STILL IN THAT SAME VEIN. WHAT DO

YOU PROPOSE TO DO?

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. LACAHSA GETS THE LION'S SHARE OF THE FUNDING AROUND PREVENTION AND IS TASKED WITH THOSE GOALS THAT ARE PART OF THE MEASURE A ORDINANCE, AND WE WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH LACAHSA AROUND THE HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PIECE. THERE'S TWO PIECES TO THIS. ONE IS THE LACAHSA IS STANDING UP THIS FIRST QUARTER, INTEGRATED SERVICES MODEL THAT'LL BE ROLLING OUT COUNTYWIDE, THAT'LL BE STANDING UP NEW HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION RESOURCES. SO, WE'RE PARTNERING, WE'VE BEEN PARTNERING WITH LACAHSA AROUND THE DESIGN OF THAT AND HOW IT WILL CONNECT AND INTERACT WITH THE HOMELESS SYSTEM. SO, WE'RE DOING THAT PIECE. AND THEN THE OTHER PIECE IS THAT HSH DOES HAVE SOME TARGETED HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION INITIATIVES THAT WE WILL CONTINUE AND ARE FUNDED IN THIS SPENDING PLAN. ONE IS THE HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION UNIT, WHERE IT'S FUNDED IN THE INNOVATIONS BUCKET. AND WITH THAT, WE ACTUALLY USE DATA THAT WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY THAT HELPS US IDENTIFY UTILIZERS OF COUNTY RESOURCES ACROSS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE MOST AT RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS. AND BECAUSE WE'RE WITHIN THE COUNTY, WE'RE VERY WELL POSITIONED TO STRATEGICALLY REACH OUT TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH STABILIZING SERVICES. SO HSH WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT KIND OF TARGETED PREVENTION WORK.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M GOING TO TURN TO MY COLLEAGUE. SO, I HAVE FIRST IN QUEUE SUPERVISOR LINDSEY HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, DIRECTOR MAHIN. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU AND YOUR TEAM ON STANDING UP THIS NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. I THINK IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EXTRAORDINARILY CHALLENGING UNDER THE BEST SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES, AND YET AS YOU WERE DOING THIS WORK, FUNDING WAS CUT, ALL KINDS OF CHANGES WERE MADE AND YOU'VE TAKEN THEM ALL IN STRIDE. SO, I'M THRILLED THAT YOU HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP THAT'S NECESSARY AT A TIME OF CHANGE LIKE THIS, AND PLEASED THAT YOU ARE LEADING OUR RESPONSE TO THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. YOU'VE BEEN HONEST ABOUT WHERE SYSTEMS HAVEN'T WORKED. I THINK YOU'VE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED FOR ME IMPROVEMENTS THAT THE COUNTY NEEDS TO MAKE, AND YOU'VE IDENTIFIED THE TOUGH CHOICES THAT YOU'VE BEEN MAKING TO ENSURE SUSTAINABILITY GOING FORWARD SO WE AREN'T MAKING THIS CRISIS WORSE, AND SO THAT WE ARE APPROPRIATELY USING THE INVESTMENTS THAT PEOPLE INTENDED TO MAKE THROUGH OUR BALLOT MEASURE. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, YOU'RE LISTENING. AND I THINK AS YOU'RE LISTENING, YOU'RE IDENTIFYING WHERE PEOPLE WANT TO SEE INVESTMENT AND MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE DIRECTLY RESPONDING TO WHAT WE'RE HEARING IS SO CRITICAL. SO, I THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I COMMEND THE NEW DEPARTMENT FOR THE

EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS THAT YOU LED AROUND THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. YOU WERE FORCED TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS, YET I HAVE HEARD POSITIVE FEEDBACK IN SOME CASES ABOUT THIS PROCESS AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO PRIORITIZING HOUSING-RELATED PROGRAMS, ESPECIALLY FROM OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE. YOU'VE MAINTAINED FUNDING FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDIES WHILE ALSO FUNDING ALL OF OUR TAY, DV, AND FAMILY BEDS. AND IN A TIME OF FUNDING CONSTRAINT, IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT MEASURE A IS A TAX. WHILE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT DEFICITS WITH MEASURE A SPENDING, THAT'S A RESULT OF THE LOSS OF REVENUE GENERATED BY SALES TAX, AS WELL AS RISING COSTS TO DOING THIS WORK. SO, IT'S NOT AS IF THE SAME AMOUNT OF FUNDING IS GOING TO COME IN EACH AND EVERY YEAR. IT WILL CHANGE YEAR TO YEAR. SOME HAVE CHARACTERIZED THIS PLAN AS A REDUCED COUNTY INVESTMENT, BUT IT'S NOT. WHEN THE ECONOMY STRUGGLES, SALES TAX REVENUE DECLINES. ONE-TIME DOLLARS FROM STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERS HAVE GONE AWAY, ALL AT THE SAME TIME AS OUR EXPENSES HAVE GONE UP. WE CANNOT INVENT DOLLARS WE NO LONGER RECEIVE. WE ARE ONLY, IN FACT, I WOULD SAY WE'RE THE ONLY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT THAT HAS ACTUALLY INCREASED OUR INVESTMENT. EVERY OTHER LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT HAS DECREASED AND WE CANNOT BACKFILL THESE GAPS. WE CANNOT BE THE ONLY PLACE THAT PEOPLE TURN TO, WHICH IS WHY THE INVESTMENT DIRECTLY IN CITIES MAKES SUCH A DIFFERENCE. AND WHEN THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS REDUCE THEIR

INVESTMENTS TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, THE COUNTY HAS TO DO OUR BEST WITH WHAT WE HAVE IN OUR LOCAL INVESTMENT. AND WE CANNOT BACKFILL THE MASSIVE REDUCTION IN FEDERAL INVESTMENTS THAT WE'RE FACING FROM THE LOSS OF EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS, IMPACTED FUNDING FOR OTHER VOUCHER AND RENTAL SUBSIDY PROGRAMS, AS WELL AS THE CUTS TO HEALTH AND FOOD AND SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS, ALL OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING. SO, I KNOW THAT THAT HAS ALL MADE THE LAUNCH OF THIS DEPARTMENT MORE CHALLENGING, AND I MAINTAIN THAT I THINK IT'S ACTUALLY EVEN MORE ESSENTIAL THAT WE DID IT AT THIS TIME. SO, WE CAN CENTRALIZE AND HAVE CLEAR LINES OF SIGHT INTO WHAT WE'RE DOING AND WHERE WE NEED TO BE SPENDING MONEY MORE BETTER DIFFERENTLY. THIS IS A MOMENT WHEN THE COUNTY NEEDS TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE AND MOST EFFICIENT, AND WE'RE BEING ASKED TO CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE WHAT WE ARE CAPABLE OF WITHOUT THAT ADDITIONAL HELP. SO THERE'S NO ROOM FOR WASTE OR DUPLICATION OF FRAGMENTED SYSTEMS, AND I DO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED CRITICISM FOR LAUNCHING THIS DEPARTMENT BY END FOR INVESTING IN CRITICAL PROGRAMMATIC ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF NECESSARY FOR A SUCCESS, BUT I WANT TO COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR THOUGHTFUL STEWARDSHIP OF PUBLIC DOLLARS, AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT THIS DEPARTMENT REPRESENTS TO ME. THE COUNTY CAN SOMETIMES MOVE A LITTLE MORE SLOWLY THAN I PERSONALLY LIKE, BUT IT IS A CONSISTENT GOVERNANCE AND APPROPRIATELY FUNDING INVESTMENT AND PROGRAMMING THAT WILL DELIVER THE OUTCOMES OUR

CONSTITUENTS EXPECT. AND I KNOW THAT IS THE GOAL OF THIS DEPARTMENT. AND SO AS PROOF OF THE DEPARTMENT'S IMPACT ALREADY, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT YOU SAID THAT I KNOW WE'VE TALKED ABOUT, AND I SORT OF DID A DOUBLE TAKE WHEN WE HAD A CONVERSATION IN PREPARATION FOR THIS MEETING. I AM ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO SEE THE SAVINGS OF $45,000,000 IN PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCIES THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY. I WANT TO SAY THAT AGAIN, $45,000,000 IN PROGRAMMATIC EFFICIENCIES USING PUBLIC DOLLARS SMARTER WITH GREATER IMPACT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED THIS DEPARTMENT TO BE DOING. IT IS THE EXPECTATION FROM THE PUBLIC WHEN THEY PASS MEASURE A, NOT JUST TO INVEST MORE MONEY INTO THE SYSTEM, BUT TO USE IT SMARTER AND WITH A FINE FOCUS ON WHAT THE OUTCOMES ARE THAT WE'RE TRACKING AND MEASURING. SO, I SEE THAT ALREADY IN WHAT YOU HAVE PROPOSED HERE. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE CHANGES IN THE BUDGETING WILL NOT BE FELT IN A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT WAYS. BUT I DO SEE THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY DOLLAR WE SPENT IS THE BEST WAY WE CAN SPEND IT. AND SO I THANK YOU FOR THAT. BUT I DO WANT TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THE COLLECTIVE REGIONAL SOLUTIONS YOU'RE LEADING, COORDINATING PROGRAMMING, FUNDING, THROUGH THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUND, AS WELL AS HOPEFULLY WITH LACAHSA INVESTMENTS, WHICH YOU'VE ALREADY TOUCHED ON. AND SO, TO THAT END, I HAVE, AND ALSO OF COURSE, OUR ECRC AND THE GREAT ROLE THAT THAT HAS BEEN PLAYING AS A COORDINATING BODY TO BRING US ALL TOGETHER AND BE THE

COMPLEMENT TO YOUR DEPARTMENT. SO, I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS. WE CONTINUE TO HEAR, AND MY DISTRICT OVERLAPS WITH NINE CITY COUNCIL DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN ADDITION TO NINE OTHER CITIES. SO, WE FEEL WHEN SOMETHING HAPPENS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WE FEEL IT PRETTY POIGNANTLY. AND SO, WE CONTINUE TO HEAR THAT THE COUNTY DOESN'T PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMING WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SO, I KNOW I'VE SPECIFICALLY ASKED YOU FOR DETAILS ON PROGRAMMING AND INVESTMENTS MADE WITHIN L.A. CITY LIMITS. SO, CAN YOU SHARE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT YOU HAVE UNCOVERED?

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, SURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. SO, FIRST, IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS A JURISDICTION THAT RECEIVES THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS DIRECTLY. SO, OF THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS THAT THEY'VE RECEIVED DIRECTLY FROM THE COUNTY, THAT WAS ABOUT $58,000,000 THIS FISCAL YEAR. IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE COUNTY DELIVERS A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT HOUSING AND SERVICES ACROSS THE COUNTY WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WE ESTIMATE THAT 70% OF OUR INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES, OF OUR TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDY SLOTS, AND OF OUR INTERIM HOUSING BEDS FUNDED BY MEASURE A WILL BE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THAT'S PRETTY SIGNIFICANT, AND I KNOW THAT THAT MIGHT NOT SATISFY OUR CITY PARTNERS AND THEY'LL WANT

TO SEE MORE WHAT THAT 70% ACTUALLY LOOKS LIKE WHERE YOU'VE ACHIEVED THAT NUMBER. I ALSO KNOW OUR OTHER CITY PARTNERS ARE PROBABLY LISTENING TO THAT NUMBER SAYING, WELL, WHAT ABOUT MORE INVESTMENT IN US? SO, I THANK YOU FOR HIGHLIGHTING THAT BECAUSE I CONSISTENTLY HAVE HEARD, YOU KNOW, AT ECRA AND OTHER TABLES THAT THE COUNTY IS UNDER-INVESTING IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND IT SOUNDS LIKE THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

SARAH MAHIN: THAT'S CORRECT. WE ACTUALLY HAVE A DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNT IN THE CITY OF L.A. IN COMPARISON TO THAT.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AND WE'VE ALSO HEARD FROM SOME LEADERS WHO ARE OPPOSED TO OUR EFFORTS TO CONSOLIDATE OUR HOMELESS RESPONSE. WE HEAR SOME BLAME PLACED ON HSH, PARTICULARLY REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. SO, CAN YOU TALK ABOUT YOUR ADMIN BUDGET?

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. SO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ACCOUNT FOR APPROXIMATELY 6% OF THE PROPOSED FY 26/27 SPENDING PLAN, WHICH IS ROUGHLY $37,000,000. THAT IS A VERY LOW ADMINISTRATIVE COST. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT IN FY 26/27, THE COMBINED FUNDING FOR PROGRAMMATIC STAFFING AND ADMINISTRATION IS $3,500,000 LOWER THAN IN FY 25/26, DESPITE HSH TAKING ON ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMATIC AND

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES WITH THE CONSOLIDATION OF HOUSING FOR HEALTH, HI AND LAHSA OF FUNCTIONS. I ALSO JUST, WE REALLY, REALLY, YOU KNOW, MEAN WHAT WE SAY IN TERMS OF PRIORITIZING HOUSING AND SERVICES, AND WE ABSOLUTELY DID THAT. AND ONLY OUR FUNDING ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THAT ARE LIMITED TO ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS NEEDED TO DELIVER SERVICES AND ENSURE THAT WE HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY. AS SUCH, WE ONLY ARE BUDGET, WE'RE BUDGETING FEWER THAN 75% OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS THAT WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE ORDINANCE THAT CREATED HSH. AGAIN, BECAUSE WE WANT TO PRIORITIZE HOUSING AND SERVICES FIRST.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AND I KNOW THAT'S ANOTHER REASON WHY OUTREACH HAS BEEN SUCH A CHALLENGE. IF YOU INCREASE FUNDING TO OUTREACH, THAT MEANS THERE WILL BE MORE PEOPLE WHO WILL HAVE AN EXPECTATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY, OF A HOUSING SOLUTION, AND BY DOING MORE OUTREACH, IF WE DON'T HAVE THOSE SERVICES AND SOLUTIONS TO OFFER, THEN WE MIGHT BE GIVING PEOPLE FALSE HOPE. SO, I APPRECIATE THAT THE LENS THROUGH WHICH YOU ARE LOOKING AT IS HOW CAN WE MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE INVESTING IN THE SOLUTIONS THAT SUPPORT PEOPLE STAYING OFF THE STREETS LONG TERM AND NOT GIVING PEOPLE FALSE HOPE. SO, I APPRECIATE THAT. GIVEN THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF THE EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS LATER THIS YEAR, AS WELL AS UNKNOWN CHANGES TO OUR COC FUNDING, WHAT KIND OF CONTINGENCY PLANNING ARE YOU DOING AND

WHAT KIND OF COUNTYWIDE PLANNING IS OCCURRING THAT YOU NEED THE BOARD TO BE INVOLVED WITH?

SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. AND INDEED, THERE IS A NEED TO BE PLANNING FOR FEDERAL POLICY CHANGES, SUCH AS THE HUD COC CONTINUUM OF CARE NOFO AND THE EXPIRATION OF EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS. JUST AS A REMINDER FOR EVERYONE, THE HUD CONTINUUM OF CARE NOFO AS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED WOULD DEEPLY IMPACT OUR PERMANENT HOUSING SYSTEM AND RESULTS IN AT LEAST 6,800 PEOPLE OR 5,000 HOUSEHOLDS ACROSS L.A. LOSING THEIR HOUSING SUBSIDIES AND AT RISK OF LOSING THEIR HOME, MOST OF WHOM ARE DISABLED. SO, IT'S REALLY CRITICAL THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO ONE, BE ADVOCATING AND LIFTING UP THE NEED FOR THIS POLICY CHANGE NOT TO TAKE EFFECT. SO, THERE IS ACTIVE WORK THAT'S HAPPENING, A LEGAL, THERE'S A LAWSUIT AROUND THE HUD COC FUNDING AND AN ADVOCACY THAT'S HAPPENING WITH CONGRESS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO ENSURE THAT THAT FUNDING MOVES FORWARD. LOCALLY, WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OUR PARTNERS AROUND MITIGATION STRATEGIES FOR THE EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS AND IF THE COC FUNDING HAPPENS. AND THAT INCLUDES WORKING WITH LACAHSA, WHO HAS FUNDING THAT CAN BE USED FOR RENTAL SUBSIDIES AS WELL. AND A LOT IN TALKING WITH LACAHSA TO THE POINT THAT WE WERE TALKING EARLIER, A LOT OF THE FUNDING, 70% OF THE LACAHSA FUNDING GOES TO LOCAL JURISDICTIONS. AND SO IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY AGAIN TO BRING IN

OUR JURISDICTIONS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S THESE REDUCTIONS COMING AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE HOUSED WITH THOSE HOUSING SUBSIDIES IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS, AND HOW DO WE ALL WORK TOGETHER AND COLLABORATIVELY TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE THAT WERE HARD FOUGHT SUCCESSES THAT WE PLACE INTO HOUSING AS A COUNTY AND AS A REGION, RETAIN THAT HOUSING STABILITY. SO, WE'RE WORKING WITH ALL OF THE FUNDING PARTNERS AROUND THAT AND WITH OUR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS.

LINDSEY P. HORVATH: ONE OF THE EXPECTATIONS THAT I HAVE THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO ME FOR HSH IS PROGRAM EVALUATION. PIVOTING AWAY FROM THINGS THAT DON'T WORK, INVESTING IN THE THINGS THAT DO, WHICH I KNOW CAN BE CHALLENGING BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE DIFFERENT IDEAS ABOUT WHAT IS, YOU KNOW, WHERE SUCCESS COMES FROM, AND YOU KNOW, WHICH PROGRAMS PEOPLE PARTICULARLY LIKE. SO THOSE ARE HARD CONVERSATIONS, BUT I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE COMMITTED TO WHEN WE STOOD UP THIS DEPARTMENT WAS NOT JUST BEING COPY AND PASTE OF LAHSA, IT'S HOW DO WE IMPROVE AND TAKE THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM WHAT WE'VE BEEN THROUGH AND BE MORE NIMBLE AND RESPONSIVE. SO HOW DO YOU PLAN TO REPORT TO THE BOARD WHAT YOU'RE DOING, HOW YOU'RE DOING IT, AND WHAT IS PROVING TO BE MOST SUCCESSFUL?

SARAH MAHIN: THANKS FOR THAT QUESTION. THERE'S A COUPLE OF

THINGS THAT WE DO. SO, FIRST IS WE ALREADY NOW HAVE ON HSH'S WEBSITE A DASHBOARD THAT TRACKS ALL OF THE MEASURE A TOP LINE METRICS AND WE HAVE THE FIRST REPORT OF THAT ON THERE. IT WILL BE GETTING UPDATED QUARTERLY. WE ARE THEN MOVING DOWN TO THE NEXT SET OF DASHBOARDS AND METRICS THAT HAVE TO DO WITH AT THE PROGRAM LEVEL AND THE SYSTEM COMPONENT. SO, LIKE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE RESERVING IN INTERM HOUSING AND WHAT ARE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THAT. WE WORKED AS PART OF A REGIONAL PROCESS AND THE ECRA ON DEVELOPING WHAT THOSE METRICS WILL BE. AND THEN I THINK THE MOST EXCITING PART FOR ME IS ACTUALLY IN THE ACCOUNTABILITY DATA AND RESEARCH FUNDING IN MEASURE A, THERE'S FUNDING THAT SPECIFICALLY HAS TO BE USED TO SUPPORT THOSE FUNCTIONS. AND WE'RE USING SOME OF THAT TO BE DEVELOPING AND FUNDING AN ANNUAL EVALUATION AGENDA. SO THAT'S FOR US TO BE LOOKING AT THINGS, TO YOUR POINT, THINGS THAT IT'S NOT JUST LIKE IMPACT AND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GETTING SERVED, BUT WHAT'S REALLY THE MOST EFFECTIVE, COST-EFFECTIVE MODEL? DO CERTAIN MODELS WORK BETTER THAN OTHERS? AND SO, WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, IT'LL BE COMING TO ECRA, REALLY WHAT THIS EVALUATION AGENDA WILL HOLD AND INCLUDE, AND IT REALLY SHOULD BE WHAT'S DRIVING US AND WHAT'S EFFECTIVE. AN EXAMPLE OF SOMETHING AT HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND NOW AT HSH THAT WE DO THAT I'D LOVE TO DO MORE SYSTEM-WIDE IS IN OUR HOMELESS PREVENTION UNIT, THE TARGETED PREVENTION PROGRAM I TALKED ABOUT. THAT'S AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE WE PARTNERED WITH OUTSIDE

EVALUATORS AND RESEARCHERS, AND IT'S BEEN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO HELP US WITH DESIGNING THE PROGRAM, BUT ALSO UNDERSTANDING ITS EFFECTIVENESS, AND BECAUSE WE PARTNERED WITH THOSE EXTERNAL EVALUATORS, THEY NOT ONLY HELPED US DEVELOP A MODEL WHERE WE CAN IDENTIFY PEOPLE WHO ARE MOST AT RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS, MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S EQUITABLE IMPACTS OF WHO WE'RE TARGETING, BUT ALSO IS IT EFFECTIVE? AND IT SHOWS THAT 71% OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVED FROM THAT PROGRAM, IT'S A 71% REDUCTION OF THEIR ENTRY INTO THE HOMELESS SYSTEM. SO, WE CAN DO THAT KIND OF EVALUATION ACROSS OUR SYSTEM AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO DOING THAT.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: I APPRECIATE YOUR CLARITY AND PASSION ON THAT. I THINK THE BOARD AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE PEOPLE WHO ARE FUNDING THIS WORK, THE MEASURE A TAXPAYERS ACROSS OUR COUNTY WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFERENT WITH THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING. SO, I APPRECIATE THAT. I WANT TO END WITH A QUESTION I WAS ASKED YESTERDAY THAT I THOUGHT WAS TOUGH BUT FAIR. I HAD, I SPOKE AT AN EVENT IN THE VALLEY WHERE COMMUNITY LEADERS SAID THAT WHEN MEASURE H CAME FORWARD, MAYOR GARCETTI CAME TO THEM ASKING FOR THEIR COMMITMENT IN PASSING MEASURE H, SAYING THAT IN TEN YEARS, WHICH WAS THE TIMEFRAME PLACED ON MEASURE H, THAT IN TEN YEARS STREET HOMELESSNESS WOULD BE ERADICATED. THAT'S WHAT YOU WOULD SEE WITH THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE H. CLEARLY, THAT'S NOT WHAT WE HAVE SEEN.

AND SO, HE SAID, WHAT IS YOUR TIMELINE? AND WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY? AND WHAT IS THE MEASURABLE IMPACT THAT PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SEE? CAN YOU GIVE ME, CAN YOU STRUCTURE THAT FOR ME A LITTLE BIT? AND I SAID, I DON'T WANT TO MAKE BROKEN PROMISES. I KNOW THAT THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN GIVEN TO US FROM OUR LEADERSHIP TABLE AND OTHER PLACES. SO, I WOULD POSE THAT QUESTION TO YOU. HOW ARE YOU LOOKING AT THAT IN TERMS OF TIME FRAME FOR EFFECTIVENESS AND MANAGING EXPECTATIONS?

SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. THIS COMING CALENDAR YEAR ACTUALLY WILL BE, THERE'S, WE'VE TALKED ABOUT HOW THERE'S METRICS, HIGH LEVEL METRICS ATTACHED WITH, TO MEASURE A AND THERE'S SPECIFIC TARGETS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH OF THOSE METRICS. AND THOSE WERE DEVELOPED THROUGH A PROCESS THAT LOOKED AT DATA AND WHAT ARE OUR CURRENT BENCHMARKS AND THEN SETTING GOALS. AND SO, WE ACTUALLY WILL BE DOING A DEEPER DIVE ON THAT WITH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND REGIONAL HOMELESS ALIGNMENT AND WITH LEADERSHIP TABLE OVER THIS COMING YEAR TO REALLY UNDERSTAND IS IT REALLY ACHIEVABLE, WHAT IT WILL TAKE FOR US TO BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE THOSE TARGETS. AND IF THOSE TARGETS AREN'T ACHIEVABLE, WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE, OR WHAT'S A MORE REALISTIC TARGET? BECAUSE I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE DON'T OVERCOMMIT THAT WE'RE BOLD, AND WE SET GOALS THAT STRETCH FOR US, BUT THAT WE ALSO ARE REALISTIC ABOUT WHAT

WE CAN EXPECT SO THAT WE'RE NOT LETTING PEOPLE DOWN AT THE SAME TIME. SO THAT WILL BE A PROCESS THAT WE'RE DOING. ANOTHER PIECE OF THE PROCESS THAT WE'RE DOING AS PART OF THE ANNUAL EVALUATION AGENDA IS ACTUALLY LOOKING AT WHAT IS THE RIGHT BALANCE? WE WANT TO BE RE-LOOKING AT THE BALANCE OF RESOURCES WITHIN OUR SYSTEM AND LIKE WHAT WOULD IT TAKE FOR OUR SYSTEM TO HAVE TO FUNCTIONALLY END HOMELESSNESS SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT THE GAP IS BETWEEN WHAT WE HAVE TODAY AND WHAT WE WOULD NEED TO ACHIEVE A FUNCTIONAL END?

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. YOU KNOW, IT'S HARD TO QUANTIFY IN CERTAIN WAYS, BUT WITH ALL OF THE CONSTRAINED BUDGETS THAT WE'RE OPERATING UNDER WITH ALL OF OUR DIFFERENT HATS, I THINK PEOPLE ARE NOT ONLY ASKING, WHAT IS IT GOING TO TAKE TO SUFFICIENTLY ADDRESS THIS CRISIS, BUT HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT THE BULK OF OUR BUDGETS AREN'T SPENT ONLY ON THIS ISSUE WHEN THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER ISSUES THAT WE HAVE TO CONTEND WITH? AND SO, I THINK WE HAVE TO BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SPEND, WHAT IS EXPECTED, AND HELP, AS YOU HAVE BEEN, DIALOG, DIALOGUING WITH COMMUNITIES TO SAY, WHAT IS YOUR EXPECTATION, AND WHAT IS YOUR LEVEL OF INVESTMENT TO MEET THAT EXPECTATION? SO, WE ALL HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY AND I APPRECIATE THE TOUGH BUT FAIR CONVERSATIONS THAT YOU'RE HAVING GIVEN THE CONSTRAINTS THAT WE'RE UNDER BUT ALSO THE EXPECTATIONS THAT WE HAVE GIVEN THAT WE JUST PASSED THIS

BALLOT MEASURE AND MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE USING EVERY DOLLAR TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY, THANK YOU.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I SEE MYSELF ON THE QUEUE, SO I'LL GO AHEAD.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MA'AM, YOU MAY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WORK IN THE PRESENTATION. I APPRECIATE THE COMMENT ABOUT THE METRICS. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. I HAD HOPED IT WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL TO GET A SET OF METRICS ESTABLISHED IN THE MOTION TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT. SO, I'M GLAD TO KNOW THAT METRICS WILL BE CONSIDERED AND BROUGHT FORWARD. I COULDN'T AGREE MORE, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, RECOGNIZING THE FISCAL REALITY THAT WE'RE FACING THAT WE CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO BACKFILL. WE CANNOT. I APPRECIATE AND AGREE WITH ALL THE COMMENTS MADE BY MY COLLEAGUES ABOUT CITIES STEPPING FORWARD. I THINK WHAT CANNOT BE LOST IN THOSE COMMENTS IS RECOGNIZING THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED AND ARE ON THE STREETS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSED AND THEIR HOME IS IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, PEOPLE WHO RUN BUSINESSES IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ARE LOOKING TO THE COUNTY TO BE FRONTLINE TO SUPPORT THEM. SO, WHAT CONCERNS ME ABOUT SOME OF THE STATEMENTS YOU'VE MADE IS THAT I THINK,

AS I LISTEN, THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS WILL BE DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY THE CUTS THAT YOU ARE IDENTIFYING, BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT BENEFIT FROM THE INVESTMENTS IN CITIES. WE ARE THEIR LOCAL LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. HOW WOULD YOU RESPOND TO THAT?

SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. SO, WE HAVE, THIS WAS A KEY PART OF THE WORK THAT WE WERE DOING WITH ARDI AND DETERMINING THE CUTS THAT WE WERE MAKING AND HOW TO BE ENSURING THAT WE'RE NOT DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTING COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. SO, THERE WILL BE WORK, AS I MENTIONED, THERE ARE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO OUTREACH SERVICES. AND SO, IT IS ABSOLUTELY SOMETHING THAT WE'RE WORKING ON THROUGH ECRC AROUND HOW WE REDEPLOY AND REASSIGN OUTREACH SO THAT WE'RE STILL MEETING THOSE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS, BUT THE OUTREACH RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE THAT ARE OUTSIDE OF THOSE OBLIGATIONS, HOW DO WE REMAP AND REDEPLOY THEM SO THAT WE HAVE MORE EQUITABLE SERVICE DELIVERY ACROSS THE SYSTEM?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: WHEN YOU SAY LEGAL OBLIGATIONS, I INTERPRET THAT LIKE THE ALLIANCE LAWSUIT.

SARAH MAHIN: CORRECT.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: WHICH IMPACTS THE CITY OF L.A. IT IS SILENT ON PEOPLE WHO LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF L.A. CORRECT. SO, WE HAVE A LEGAL OBLIGATION, YOU KNOW, NO BUSINESSES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WENT TO COURT, THEY'RE COUNTING ON US TO STEP UP AND REPRESENT THEM AUTHENTICALLY. SO, YOU'RE SAYING WITH WHAT'S LEFT IN THE PIE AFTER THE LEGAL OBLIGATIONS, YOU'RE LOOKING AT HOW TO REALLOCATE THOSE.

SARAH MAHIN: AND REDEPLOY THEM SO THAT WE HAVE REPRESENTATION. AND NOT ALL OF THE OUTREACH SERVICES ARE, THERE'S DIFFERENT TYPES OF OUTREACH TEAMS AND THEY'RE NOT ALL TIED TO THE L.A. ALLIANCE. SO, WE'RE LOOKING AT ALL OF THEM.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE YOUR RESPONSE. I DON'T THINK IT ANSWERS OR PERSUADES ME OTHERWISE TO THINK THAT PEOPLE IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES ARE NOT GETTING SCREWED.

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, SO WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT THIS. SO, THE OUTREACH IS ONE EXAMPLE.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AND AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH SAID THAT WE APPRECIATE YOU COMING FORTH AND BEING HONEST. AND IF THAT'S THE TRUTH, WE JUST NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT AND FIGURE OUT WHAT WE DO ABOUT IT.

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, WELL, I GUESS I DON'T WANT TO, I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THAT BEING THE ANSWER. AND WE'RE REALLY COMMITTED TO OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND WE ARE THEIR FIRST LINE OF GOVERNMENT.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: WE ARE.

SARAH MAHIN: AND WE GET ACTUAL ALLOCATIONS OF FUNDING, JUST LIKE THERE'S LSF FUNDING AND LACAHSA FUNDING THAT GOES TO LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, WE GET FUNDING AT THE COUNTY FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND SO THAT IS WHY, AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOUR OFFICE AND WITH OTHER OFFICES AROUND WHAT THE COUNTY'S PLAN IS FOR OUR SHARE OF UNINCORPORATED FUNDING THROUGH THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUND AND THROUGH LACAHSA SO THAT WE'RE USING THAT AND INTEGRATING THAT WITH THE OTHER SETS OF RESOURCES THAT EXIST IN THE HOMELESS SYSTEM AND IN THE REGULAR MEASURE A BUDGET SO THAT WE'RE MEETING THE NEEDS AND PRIORITIZING NEEDS IN OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES AND HAVING THE SAME CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM THAT WE'RE HAVING WITH OUR CITIES ABOUT WE HAVE LIMITED RESOURCES. WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT TO YOU? AND HOW DO WE TOGETHER PRIORITIZE THE RESOURCES WE HAVE TO DELIVER THE RESULTS, NOT JUST FOR THE UNHOUSED, BUT ALSO FOR THE HOUSE COMMUNITIES TOO.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: WELL, I'M GLAD YOU'RE ASKING THAT

QUESTION BECAUSE THAT WILL GET TO A POINT I'LL MAKE IN A MINUTE WITH REGARD TO PATHWAY HOME. SO LET ME ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR THE COMMUNITY AND PARTNER OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT EFFORT. THAT IS NOT EASY. IT IS THE FIRST THING THE BOARD ALWAYS ASKS OF ANY DEPARTMENT HEAD, WHAT OUTREACH ARE YOU DOING? HOW ARE YOU TELLING PEOPLE WHAT WE'RE DOING AND TELL THEM AGAIN AND HOW DO WE ENGAGE THEM IN SOLUTIONS? SO, I SAW THOSE NUMBERS. I KNOW IT WAS AN AREA THAT MY TEAM AND I INITIALLY HAD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT, BUT I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EFFORT AND THE TIME AND WHAT IT TOOK TO GET THERE. YOU KNOW, THE SECOND DISTRICT CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF THE REGION'S STRONGEST CONTRIBUTORS TO OUR HOMELESS AND HOUSING SYSTEM, PRODUCING SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND INTERIM HOUSING, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH HARD AND FIGHT FOR THAT. PROUD THAT WE'RE HOME TO THE SAFE LANDING SITE. THE COUNTY'S ONLY 24/7 CENTER OF ITS KIND. THAT WE ARE HOME TO THE RV SAFE PARKING SITE, THE ONLY PILOT OF ITS KIND IN THE COUNTY. AGAIN, WE WILL CONTINUE TO TRY TO ELEVATE MODELS AND PILOTS THAT ARE WORKING. BUT THE SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENTS ALSO CONTINUE TO EXPERIENCE SOME OF THE HIGHEST NUMBERS OF UNHOUSED FAMILY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. AND SO WHILE I KNOW AND I HAVE HEARD THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO YOU KNOW CRITIQUE THE VALUE AND THE EFFICACY OF PATHWAY HOME, I HAVE TO AGREE WITH YOU KNOW SUPERVISOR SOLIS BECAUSE WE HAVE SEEN IT AND LIVED IT PARTICULARLY IN OUR UNINCORPORATED

COMMUNITIES AND SO I'M NOT AT ALL EXCITED ABOUT THE PROPOSED CUTS TO THAT PROGRAM. THERE HAVE BEEN EFFORTS TO REDIRECT MONIES FROM IT IN THE PAST THAT WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL. SO, THIS CONTINUING ATTACK ON PATHWAY HOME IS PROBLEMATIC. BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT EVERY PROGRAM, ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS ACROSS THE BOARD HAVE GOT TO BE PART OF AS YOU SAY THESE TOUGH DECISIONS THAT WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE TO REALLY REACH A BALANCED BUDGET. I KNOW I WAS IN RECEIPT OF THE CITY OF L.A.'S LETTER URGING THE BOARD TO CONSIDER OUR RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING PATHWAY HOME, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE REMIND US ALL HOW WE GOT HERE WITH PATHWAY HOME. IT WAS CREATED AS A PARALLEL PROGRAM AGAIN FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND THE OTHER CITIES IN L.A. COUNTY BECAUSE THERE ARE 87 OTHERS BESIDES THE CITY OF L.A. THAT WEREN'T INCLUDED IN THE CITY OF L.A.'S INSIDE SAFE PROGRAM. IT IS PARALLEL AND SO I APPRECIATE THE CITY CONTINUING TO FUND INSIDE SAFE. WE PARTICIPATE IN THAT ALSO AND PATHWAY HOME IS AN IMPORTANT PARALLEL PROGRAM TO PROVIDE SIMILAR SERVICES TO PEOPLE WHO LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF L.A. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM. YOU KNOW THERE ARE ANY NUMBER OF EXAMPLES OF HOW WE HAVE SUPPORTED THE CITY OF L.A.'S PATHWAY HOME PROGRAM, ONE OF WHICH THAT'S BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN THE SECOND DISTRICT IS THROUGH THE MASTER LEASING PROGRAM. I WON'T GO ANY MORE INTO THAT PARTNERSHIP. I JUST THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE CITY OF L.A. GETS SUPPORT FROM THE COUNTY OF L.A. YOU KNOW, AGAIN, PATHWAY

HOME IS DEEPLY IMPACTFUL FOR A SECOND DISTRICT. LAST YEAR ALONE, PATHWAY HOME CONNECTED 277 PEOPLE TO INTERIM HOUSING, 84 PEOPLE TO PERMANENT HOUSING, AND SERVED 98 PETS. IT ALSO SUPPORTED 225 ENCAMPMENT CLEANUPS, ENGAGED 1,700 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND REMOVED 9,700 CUBIC YARDS OF TRASH. AND THESE AGAIN ARE ONLY SECOND DISTRICT NUMBERS. AS YOU TALKED ABOUT PATHWAY HOMES REDUCTIONS WE SAW IN THE SLIDE AND HOW WE'RE REDUCING FROM 20 DOWN TO A VERY SMALL NUMBER, YOU MADE IT A POINT OF SAYING THERE WOULD BE ONE IN EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. I GUESS FOR ME, YOU KNOW, UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES AREN'T DISTRIBUTED ACROSS ALL FIVE DISTRICTS EQUALLY. SO, AS WE TALK ABOUT EQUITY AND WHERE PEOPLE LIVE AND WHERE THOSE INVESTMENTS NEED TO OCCUR, I HOPE THAT WE REMAIN MINDFUL OF THAT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT ALSO TO THANK THE STAFF AND VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND PARTNERS WHO MADE AND CONTINUE TO MAKE THIS PROGRESS OCCUR. AND BECAUSE OF ALL THOSE EFFORTS, QUARTERS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT THAT WAITED YEARS FOR ASSISTANCE HAVE SEEN A CHANGE. AND I THINK PATHWAY HOME IS ONE EXAMPLE OF WHERE PEOPLE CAN PHYSICALLY SEE AND EXPERIENCE CHANGE. LIKE ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES, I KNOW WE GET EMAILS ON A REGULAR BASIS FROM OUR PEOPLE WE HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING. I GOT ONE EMAIL FROM A CONSTITUENT WHO TALKED ABOUT HER MOTHER PASSING AWAY CHRISTMAS DAY AND HOW SHE WAS SORRY THAT SHE DIDN'T GET TO SEE THE IMPROVEMENT ALONG REDONDO BEACH BOULEVARD BECAUSE OF A PATHWAY HOME ENGAGEMENT

THAT THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO WALK HER IN HER WHEELCHAIR SAFELY ALONG REDONDO BEACH FOR FAR TOO LONG AND WHAT IT MEANT TO SHE AND HER FELLOW COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO SEE THAT AREA CHANGE AND TO KNOW THAT THE PEOPLE IN THE ENCAMPMENTS HAD BEEN TRANSITIONED TO A PLACE THAT WAS SAFE FOR THEM AS WELL. WE GET THE EMAIL SAYING, WHEN IS THE CLEANING UP GOING TO HAPPEN? I APPRECIATED GETTING THE EMAIL SAYING, WE SEE YOU, YOU'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE. AND THOSE IMPACTS ARE VISIBLE, AND THE REDUCTIONS THAT CUT THOSE EFFORTS IN HALF WILL BE VISIBLE AS WELL. AND MY OFFICE AND MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES WILL BEAR THE BRUNT FROM THE PUBLIC AS THE DEPARTMENT NARROWS ITS RESOLUTIONS TO THE PROJECTED TWO OPERATIONS PER DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR. AND SO THAT IS GOING TO BE TROUBLING. I THINK WITH THAT, YOU KNOW, MY QUESTION IS DO YOU KNOW THE CURRENT CENSUS OF RVS ACROSS THE COUNTY? I KNOW THAT WHEN WE STARTED KIND OF THIS FOCUS ON RVS I RECALL THE CENSUS BEING SOMETHING STAGGERING AS HIGH AS 7,000, 2,000 OF WHICH WERE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. SO, AS YOU'VE MADE YOUR TOUGH DECISION AROUND PATHWAY HOME AND REDUCING OUTREACH DO YOU KNOW THE CURRENT CENSUS ON RVS BECAUSE I THINK IF OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE SOME METRICS AND TRACK PROGRESS WE SHOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO TRACK IF WE SEE AN INCREASE IN RVS VERSUS OUR DESIRE TO DECREASE THE NUMBERS.

SARAH MAHIN: I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION HANDY BUT I'M HAPPY

TO GET BACK TO YOU.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I HOPE SO, AND AS WE TALK ABOUT METRICS, THAT'S SOMETHING WE SHOULD TRACK. AS WE CONTINUE TO DETERMINE, AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T CONTINUE THINGS, WORK THAT'S NOT EFFICIENT OR EFFECTIVE, WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT CAUSING GREATER HARM AND MAY NEED TO SHIFT SOME RESOURCES BACK TO PROGRAMS THAT HAVE PROVEN TO BE SUCCESSFUL, PATHWAY HOME FROM MY PERSPECTIVE IS ONE OF THEM, TO SUPPORT THOSE. WITH REGARD TO THE EFFICIENCIES THAT YOU'VE SCORED AND YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED, I HAVE HEARD FROM SOME PROVIDERS WHO CLAIM THAT THEY ACTUALLY REPRESENT KIND OF THE STEPPING DOWN OF SERVICES RECEIVED BY PARTICIPANTS. CAN YOU RESPOND TO THAT?

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, HAPPY TO. AND THERE'S DIFFERENT EFFICIENCIES THAT ARE APPLIED ACROSS THE SYSTEM. AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THE PROVIDER TASK FORCE AROUND THESE AS WELL, SO I WANT TO NOTE THAT. BUT I THINK THE ONE THAT YOU'RE REFERENCING IN OUR, IN HSH'S CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE DIFFERENT RATE TIERS AND DIFFERENT LEVELS OF SERVICE INTENSITY. BECAUSE AS PEOPLE GET HOUSED AND STABILIZED, MANY PEOPLE DON'T NEED THE SAME LEVEL AND INTENSITY OF SERVICES ANYMORE. AND SO, WE REDUCE THEIR CASELOAD, WE INCREASE CASELOAD RATIOS AND REDUCE THE FREQUENCY

THAT THE CASE MANAGER NEEDS TO HAPPEN, WHICH ALLOWS US TO HAVE CASE MANAGERS SERVE MORE PEOPLE, BECAUSE WE'RE TITRATING THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE TO WHAT PEOPLE'S ACTUAL NEEDS ARE.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AND HOW ARE YOU DETERMINING THAT LEVEL OF NEED? HOW IS THAT ASSESSMENT HAPPENING?

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, SO IT'S A MULTIFACTORIAL ANALYSIS THAT WE USE THAT HAS OVER 85 DIFFERENT DATA POINTS. IT INCLUDES THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT WE, LOOKING AT HOW LONG SOMEONE'S BEEN HOUSED. SO, WE WAIT UNTIL TWO YEARS RIGHT NOW BEFORE WE EVEN LOOK AT STEPPING SOMEONE DOWN. SO, AFTER SOMEONE'S BEEN HOUSED FOR TWO YEARS OF STABILITY, THEN WE LOOK AT ASSESSMENT TOOLS THAT LOOKS AT HOW THEY'RE FUNCTIONING IN HOUSING AND WHAT KIND OF SUPPORTS THAT THEY NEED AND REALLY TRYING TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN IS THIS A NEED FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND WRAPAROUND SUPPORTS, OR IS THIS AN INCOME AND LIKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEED? BECAUSE THOSE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS. SO, WE'VE BEEN WORKING AND APPLYING THAT APPROACH IN OUR CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS. AND WITH NOW BRINGING IN PROGRAMS THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY ADMINISTERED BY LAHSA THAT DELIVER THE SAME TYPES OF SERVICE, IT GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING IN THAT SAME KIND OF EFFICIENCY. BUT WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO WORK REALLY CLOSELY WITH PROVIDERS, AND WE DO. AND LOOKING AT EVERY CASE, THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO

APPEAL IF THEY FEEL LIKE SOMEONE NEEDS MORE INTENSITY THAN WHAT IS BEING SHOWN TO US THROUGH THE DATA THAT WE HAVE, AND WE CAN CASE CONFERENCE AROUND THAT.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU GIVING THAT EXAMPLE, AND I THINK IT'S PROBABLY IMPORTANT THAT WE'RE REALLY CLEAR IN TERMS OF THE LANGUAGE. THAT FOR ME IS REALLY KIND OF A PROCESS IMPROVEMENT. WHEN I THINK ABOUT GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCIES, IT'S STOPPING DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS. THAT DOESN'T FALL INTO THAT CATEGORY. SO, MAKING SURE THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT EFFICIENCIES, WE'RE CLEAR WHAT THAT IS, AND THAT WE'RE CONTINUING TO DO KIND OF PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS AND PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT EXAMPLE. THERE WAS A QUESTION RAISED ABOUT ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, AND YOU TALKED ABOUT THE PERCENTAGE OF ADMIN COSTS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT IT COSTS MONEY TO OPERATE PROGRAMS. I THINK THAT THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO DEFEND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. IT'S NOT JUST THE PERCENTAGE, BUT IT'S ALSO IN PROVIDING CLEAR, DELINEATED EXPLANATIONS ABOUT WHAT'S COVERED UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. AND SO, I KNOW THAT WE'VE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REALLY DISTINGUISH BETWEEN PROGRAM STAFF AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, AND AS WELL AS WHAT OTHER ITEMS ARE CATEGORIZED AS ADMINISTRATIVE. SO, YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO INTO THAT NOW, BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK IT'S NOT JUST ENOUGH TO SAY IT'S A SLOW, IT'S A LOW ADMIN RATE. I THINK IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO REALLY

DELINEATE WHAT'S CAPTURED KIND OF UNDER THAT OVERARCHING CATEGORY SO PEOPLE CAN REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT'S THERE AND WHAT'S NOT. LET ME MOVE ON TO THE FAMILY SOLUTION CENTERS. IT IS MY EXPERIENCE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT THAT THEY'RE REALLY ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF OUR SYSTEM AND REMOVING THESE THREE PHYSICAL SPACES LEAVES THE SYSTEM REALLY WITH A HUGE GAP IN SERVICE. YOU KNOW, THE QUESTION WILL BE, WHERE WILL FAMILIES AND PERSONS SEEKING HELP BE ABLE TO GO? AND WHAT APPROACH WILL YOU TAKE TO ADDRESS THE GAP IN PHYSICAL SPACES FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASSISTANCE ONCE THEY'RE GONE?

SARAH MAHIN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THAT QUESTION. IT'S A REALLY IMPORTANT QUESTION, AND WE'VE BEEN RECEIVING A LOT OF FEEDBACK AROUND ACCESS CENTERS. THERE WERE REDUCTIONS THIS FISCAL YEAR TO ACCESS CENTERS, NOT THROUGH COUNTY FUNDING, IT'S ACTUALLY OTHER FUNDING THAT WAS REDUCED. AND THAT INCLUDES WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE FAMILY SOLUTIONS CENTERS. THOSE HAVE BEEN FUNDED THROUGH CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDING THAT LAHSA HAS. AND LAHSA HAS INFORMED US THAT THEY DO NOT INTEND TO CONTINUE TO FUND FSC'S NEXT FISCAL YEAR. BECAUSE WE ARE ALREADY DEALING WITH SIGNIFICANT FUNDING SHORTFALLS IN THE SPENDING PLAN, AND WE WERE HAVING, WE HAVE ACTUALLY HAD TO REDUCE INTERIM HOUSING BEDS IN THE SPENDING PLAN. WE DID NOT ATTEMPT TO SOLVE FOR THE FAMILY SOLUTION CENTERS IN THE SPENDING PLAN, BUT WE ARE WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF

PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES WHO CURRENTLY HAS THEIR HSP FUNDING IS WHAT GETS BRAIDED WITH THE COC FUNDING THAT LAHSA ADMINISTERS AND THEY'RE A MAJOR PLAYER IN THE FAMILY SYSTEM. SO, WE'RE WORKING WITH DPSS TO UNDERSTAND THE FUNDING THAT THEY HAVE THAT'S AVAILABLE FOR THE FAMILY SYSTEM AND HOW IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO BE USED FOR FAMILY SOLUTION CENTERS. AND WE'RE REALLY COMMITTED TO WORKING ON WHAT A RIGHT SOLUTION IS, PARTICULARLY FOR THE FSCS. AND I WANT TO SAY, LIKE IN THE CONVERSATIONS, AGAIN, HAVING HARD CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR PROVIDERS AND PARTNERS, FSCS ARE NOT THE SAME IN EVERY DISTRICT. AND SO I THINK WE ALSO NEED TO BE TAKING A TAILORED APPROACH. FSCS, THE ROLE THAT THEY PLAY IN, FOR EXAMPLE, SPA 6 AND SPA 2 IS REALLY QUITE DIFFERENT THAN THE ROLE THAT THEY PLAY IN LIKE SPA 8 OR SPA 3, FOR EXAMPLE. SO WE ALSO, IN ADDITION TO WORKING WITH DPSS AND OUR PARTNERS TO UNDERSTAND THE RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE, I THINK IT'S ALSO, AGAIN, AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO LOOK AT PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS OR EFFICIENCIES THAT WE CAN GAIN AND PRIORITIZING THE AREAS WHERE THIS REDUCTION REALLY WOULD IMPACT THE MOST, WHICH IS I THINK REALLY IS IN SPA 6 AND 2.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I AGREE. SO THAT'S WHY IT FEELS A LITTLE LIKE PUTTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE, BECAUSE WHEN I RECOGNIZE THAT LAST YEAR ALONE THERE WERE 8,000 UNDUPLICATED INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE SERVED IN THE SPA 6 FSC ALONE. THAT'S

YEAH THAT ANALYSIS WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL TO MAKE THE DECISION ON WHAT CONTINUES TO WORK AS OPPOSED TO WHAT GOES AWAY?

SARAH MAHIN: AND THERE'S OPTIONS FOR US TO REVISIT THAT, BUT AGAIN, THIS IS NOT, THESE SERVICES HAVE NOT BEEN FUNDED WITH THE SPENDING PLAN OR WITH MEASURE A. THIS IS REDUCTION IN STATE FUNDING THAT'S CAUSING THE LACK OF FUNDING FOR FSCS. SO, WE ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING ON FINDING A SOLUTION, BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY AGAIN THAT THIS WAS NOT FUNDING THAT WAS IN THE COUNTY'S MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN, AND THIS IS US AGAIN HAVING TO LOOK AT FUNDING REDUCTIONS THAT ARE HAPPENING ELSEWHERE AND HOW WE CAN HELP FILLING GAPS.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: LAST QUESTION FOR ME, MADAM CHAIR MASTERLY SEEN IT WAS JUST ONE OF THE SOLUTIONS IN OUR SYSTEM THAT WORKED REALLY WELL IN THE 2ND DISTRICT. IT DID PROBABLY BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF RV DWELLERS WE WERE TRYING TO SUPPORT. IS THERE ANY WAY THAT WE CAN WORK TO PREVENT FURTHER REDUCTIONS OF OUR HOUSING LANDSCAPE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT? I DON'T I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MANY MORE.

SARAH MAHIN: YEAH, SO WE REALLY DID PRIORITIZE THE PERMANENT HOUSING AND THE SPENDING PLAN ACROSS THE BOARD. FOR MASTER LEASING SPECIFICALLY, THERE IS FUNDING IN THE SPENDING PLAN

FOR MASTER LEASING, AND THEN WE HAVE OTHER FUNDING OUTSIDE OF THIS SPENDING PLAN, AGAIN, TRYING TO LEVERAGE ALL THE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE. WE HAVE GRANTS FROM HEALTH PLANS THAT SUPPORT MASTER LEASING AND OTHER UNIT ACQUISITION STRATEGIES. AND THEN WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW IS WE'RE LOOKING AT THERE'S A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT UNIT ACQUISITION STRATEGIES THAT THE COUNTY FUNDING HAS EMPLOYED, MASTER LEASING, MASTER RENT SUBSIDY AGREEMENTS THROUGH THE FLEXPOOL, RPSS. SO WE'RE LOOKING AT AN ANALYSIS OF ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT STRATEGIES AND WHAT OUR STRATEGIES SHOULD BE MOVING FORWARD. AND THEN FOR MASTER LEASING SPECIFICALLY, WE'RE DOING A SITE BY SITE ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE HOW EACH SITE SHOULD BE HANDLED BECAUSE THERE ARE DIFFERENT TERMS AND DIFFERENT CHALLENGES WITH DIFFERENT SITES. SO, WE'RE DOING BOTH A SYSTEM LEVEL ANALYSIS, A SITE LEVEL ANALYSIS, AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH OUR BOARD OFFICES IN DETERMINING THE PATH FORWARD. BUT WE HAVE FUNDING ALLOCATED TO SUSTAIN.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: OKAY, THAT'S A BIT OF GOOD NEWS. I APPRECIATE HEARING THAT. IN CLOSING, I WILL JUST SAY, I AGREE WITH YOUR STATEMENT IN THE PREVIOUS PANEL THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO BE CLEAR ABOUT KIND OF THE SOURCE OF THE FUNDING AND THE SOURCE OF THE CUTS, WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT. AND I WANT TO AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS IN TERMS OF JUST RECOGNIZING THE DIRE STRAITS ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE

PREDICAMENT IN WHICH THEY'VE LEFT THE STATE AND NOW US ARE LEAVING US. AND BECAUSE OF ALL THAT, I'LL CONTINUE TO STATE MY CONCERN THAT WE ARE MAKING CUTS WITHOUT PROJECTING THE IMPACTS THAT WILL FOLLOW. AND BASED ON THE CURTAILMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED, YOU KNOW, WE ARE CLEARLY HEADING IN A DIRECTION WHERE OUR ABILITY TO ULTIMATELY RESOLVE HOMELESSNESS AND ADDRESS ENCAMPMENTS AND CONTINUE TO MAKE THE PROGRESS WE'VE SEEN IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS WILL BE SEVERELY CONSTRAINED. AND AS WE TALK ABOUT MANAGING EXPECTATIONS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, IT WILL BE HARD TO DO THAT, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE ARE REDUCING FUNDING TO PROGRAMS THAT GIVE, YOU KNOW, IMMEDIATE SUPPORT TO PEOPLE LIVING ON THE STREET AND PEOPLE SEEING RESOLUTION. AND SO THAT CONTINUES TO BE MY CONCERN. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE ONGOING PARTNERSHIP BECAUSE AS I'VE SAID REPEATEDLY, THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT CAN'T AFFORD FOR THIS NEW DEPARTMENT TO NOT BE ANYTHING OTHER THAN OVERWHELMINGLY SUCCESSFUL. SO, I WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH AND WORK HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU FOR RAISING A LOT OF ISSUES THAT I THINK ARE REALLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE DO PROVIDE SERVICES, MAYBE WITH A DIFFERENT TITLE, PATHWAY AND, YOU KNOW, SAFE INSIDE STREETS AND WHATEVER. WE HAVE SPENT A LOT OF MONEY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. MENTAL HEALTH HAS, DHS,

IN THE CITY OF L.A. AND I DON'T RECOGNIZE THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED THAT ADEQUATE RECOGNITION IN ANY WAY, AND THAT TROUBLES ME BECAUSE THE PUBLIC, WHILE I DON'T RUN THE CITY, WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN PROVIDING SUBSTANTIAL MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. SO, IF THERE'S A WAY TO CAPTURE THAT MOVING FORWARD? I THINK WE NEED TO AND I WOULD HOPE OUR CEO, MAYBE THIS IS SOMETHING FOR COUNTY COUNSEL, WE TALK ABOUT THE RESTRICTIVE LANGUAGE THAT DOESN'T ALLOW US TO CHANGE THINGS BECAUSE OF LEGAL ISSUES. MAYBE WE NEED TO GO BACK AND LOOK AT THAT. AND I'M REFERENCING L.A. ALLIANCE, BECAUSE WE ARE ALSO HAVING UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY WHERE WE ARE RESPONSIBLE AS WELL. AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S MADE CLEAR, NOT THAT WE WANT TO SEE MORE LAWSUITS, BUT JUST HOW DO WE ALSO THEN BEGIN TO ADDRESS SOME OF THAT? IF THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE COULD LOOK AT, COUNTY COUNSEL, THEN PERHAPS.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: YES, I WORK WITH MS. MAHIN.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE QUESTIONS YOU HAD SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THANK YOU. OKAY, SUPERVISOR, YOUR TURN.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU. I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS AND THIS IS A RECEIVING FILE SO THIS IS KIND OF SETTING THE STAGE AND SO I APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU

WANTING TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION TODAY ONGOING BECAUSE THERE ARE ISSUES THAT I THINK WE ALL AGREE I KNOW WE ALL AGREE ARE OF CONCERN AND OBVIOUSLY YOU TOUCHED ON THE ALLIANCE AND THEN YOU MADE A COMMENT THAT CONCERNS ME BECAUSE I KNOW THERE ARE CITIES OUT THERE THAT THINK IF THEY ENTER INTO A LAWSUIT THEY TOO WILL BE GUARANTEED A STREAM OF FUNDING. AND SO, I THINK YOU MADE A COMMENT ABOUT THAT WE CAN'T TOUCH THE CITY OF L.A.'S MONEY, THEREFORE SOME OF THE CUTS, OR YOU'VE MADE SOMETHING TO THAT EFFECT. CAN YOU CLARIFY THAT AS IT RELATES TO THE ALLIANCE, THE FUNDING THAT THE CITY'S GETTING AND THE CUTS THAT ARE BEING MADE THAT ARE, ARE THEY JUST PROPORTIONATE TO THE OTHER 87 CITIES?

SARAH MAHIN: SO, THERE'S LEGAL OBLIGATIONS. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THERE'S A NUMBER OF THE DIFFERENT LEGAL OBLIGATIONS THAT WE HAD TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WITH L.A. ALLIANCE BEING ONE OF THEM. THERE'S LOTS OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF COMMITMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS THAT THE COUNTY HAS. FOR MASTER LEASE SITES, FOR EXAMPLE, THINGS LIKE THAT, WE HAD TO LOOK AT WHAT ARE OUR OBLIGATIONS AND HOW MANY YEARS OUTGOING ARE THOSE OBLIGATIONS. ONE OF THE OBLIGATIONS THAT WE HAVE RELATIVE TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IS OUR MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS AND HAVING A CERTAIN NUMBER OF MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS THAT ARE DEDICATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES THROUGH NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: IS THAT PART OF THE ALLIANCE OR IS THAT AN OUTSIDE AGREEMENT?

SARAH MAHIN: THAT'S PART OF THE ALLIANCE. OKAY. AND SO, IN OUR REDUCTIONS AROUND OUTREACH, WE DID RECOMMEND REDUCTIONS TO MDTS OUTSIDE THE CITY OF L.A., BUT NOT IN THE CITY OF L.A. SO THAT'S WHERE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT DISPROPORTIONATE REDUCTIONS. IT'S IN THE NUMBER OF MDTS THAT ARE IN THE CITY VERSUS OUTSIDE THE CITY OF L.A. AND THAT'S ALSO WHERE I'M TALKING ABOUT MDTS ARE NOT OUR ONLY OUTREACH RESOURCE. WE HAVE OTHER OUTREACH RESOURCES. AND SO, WE CAN ALSO LOOK AT HOW WE'RE USING THOSE OTHER OUTREACH RESOURCES AND REDEPLOYING THEM TO HELP TARGET THEM TO AREAS THAT DON'T HAVE THE SAME LEVEL OF MDTS AS OTHER AREAS.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE TRANSPARENT AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE'RE DOING WITH OUR BUDGET AS IT RELATES TO THE ALLIANCE LAWSUIT, BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN VERY CLEAR AND ACTUALLY PROVIDED THE RESOURCES THAT IT WERE AGREED UPON. I JUST DON'T WANT THE DISCUSSION OR THE CUTS TO GET CONVOLUTED, IF YOU WILL, WITH WHAT'S TAKING PLACE ON THE LAWSUIT OR THE IMPACT THAT IT MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE ON THE CITY OF L.A., WHICH IT SOUNDS LIKE IT'S NOT GOING TO HAVE AN IMPACT AS IT RELATES TO THE RESOURCES WE PROVIDE?

SARAH MAHIN: IT IS NOT GOING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE CITY OF L.A.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: ALL RIGHT AND THEN ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THAT GETS CONFLATED IS AND I'VE HEARD IT AND I DON'T KNOW IF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE HEARD IT THAT THESE CUTS ARE A RESULT OF US BRINGING THE FUNDING FROM LAHSA INTO THE COUNTY AND WHAT I'VE SAID IS DO NOT CONFLATE THE TWO. THE CUTS, I WOULD ARGUE THAT THE CUTS ARE NOT AS GREAT BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I SAW AND YOU'RE DOING IS LEVERAGING COUNTY RESOURCES TO MAKE THE DOLLAR GO FARTHER. AND YOU'VE DONE THAT IN ORDER TO PLUG SOME OF THE GAPS AS A RESULT OF THE LOSS IN REVENUE FROM SALES TAX. AND THE FEDERAL FUNDING THAT'S BEEN CUT OFF, AND WE'RE SEEING THAT WITH THE COCS. CAN YOU CONFIRM THAT IN FACT, WHETHER IT'S IN LAHSA OR IT'S IN THE COUNTY, THE DOLLAR AMOUNT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS NOT, WE'RE NOT CUTTING BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT WE'VE CREATED A DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY.

SARAH MAHIN: CORRECT. AND IT IS CONFUSING BECAUSE THESE TWO THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE'RE CREATING THE DEPARTMENT AND MAKING THESE TRANSITIONS WITH LAHSA AND THAT WE'RE DEALING WITH THESE FUNDING SHORTFALLS. SO, IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT THESE TWO THINGS HAPPENING AT THE SAME TIME CAN CREATE CONFUSION, BUT THESE REDUCTIONS WERE GOING TO

HAPPEN ONE WAY OR THE OTHER BECAUSE OF OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION. AND IN FACT, IT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE THIS NEW DEPARTMENT THAT WE'RE ABLE TO GAIN SOME PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS AND SOME EFFICIENCIES THAT ARE ACTUALLY SAVING US RESOURCES AND ALLOWING US TO INVEST MORE IN HOUSING AND SERVICES THAN WE WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE. BETWEEN STAFFING AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, IT'S ACTUALLY 3 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS LESS IN OUR SPENDING PLAN GOING TO THOSE COSTS THAN IT IS THIS FISCAL YEAR ACROSS THE THREE ENTITIES.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO GET THAT ON THE RECORD BECAUSE I'VE BEEN HEARING THAT SOME ARE BLAMING THE FACT THAT IT'S BEING BROUGHT IN-HOUSE AND THAT IS NOT THE CASE. AND I JUST WANTED TO GET THAT ON THE RECORD. AND SO, I APPRECIATE YOU CLARIFYING THAT. AND THEN I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, AND I SEE CARTER BACK THERE AND ONNIE FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ALL HAVE DONE GETTING OUR CITIES IN MY DISTRICT TO OPENLY ENGAGE WITH THE COUNTY ON THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PARTNERSHIP AS IT RELATES TO PATHWAY HOME. AND NO GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY I ECHO MY COLLEAGUES SENTIMENT. YOU KNOW, MONROVIA PAIRED WITH DUARTE TO PUT TOGETHER A SITE. PALMDALE HAS ONE OF THE LARGEST, I THINK 150 BEDS, FULL, HUGE NEED, LANCASTER, SAME THINGS. IT WAS EDUCATING THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE ROLE THAT THEY PLAY AND YOU SUCCEEDED. AND I'M NOT CONVINCED THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE

ABLE TO FIGURE SOMETHING OUT AS IT RELATES TO THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE I HEAR A SENTIMENT ACROSS THE BOARD ABOUT THE SUCCESSES AND I KNOW SARAH WHEN YOU HAVE PRESENTED AT THE ECRA, I FEEL YOUR PAIN, BECAUSE YOU GOT THIS JOB BECAUSE OF YOUR PASSION AND BECAUSE YOU TRULY DO UNDERSTAND AND WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. SO, TO ANYONE OUT THERE THAT THINKS THAT THIS IS A BUREAUCRAT PROVIDING A BUDGET THAT'S JUST GOING TO BE A LIVE AND LET LIVE. I THINK ANYTHING WE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. FOR YOU, THIS IS PERSONAL AND I FEEL IT AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AS WELL. MAKING THE TOUGH DECISIONS. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE JIM ZENNER, OUR DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS, WHO I KNOW IS IN THE AUDIENCE. I'VE SAID IT, AND I THINK THAT THE VETERANS WOULD AGREE THE WORD VETERAN AND HOMELESS SHOULD NEVER BE USED IN THE SAME SENTENCE. THIS BOARD, SUPERVISOR HAHN, MADE A COMMITMENT TO ENSURE THAT WE, IN FACT, GET EVERY VETERAN OFF THE STREET. AND THIS BUDGET, UNFORTUNATELY, I THINK, DOES NOT REFLECT THAT COMMITMENT. BUT AGAIN, I MAKE A COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH YOU WITH BOTH THE STATE AND THE FEDS TO SEE HOW WE CAN ENSURE THAT THE RESOURCES NECESSARY FOR VETERANS IS PROVIDED. AND I KNOW, SARAH, I HAVE YOUR COMMITMENT AS WELL TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. SO, I JUST WANTED TO STATE THAT FOR THE RECORD AS WELL. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I HAVE TO SAY THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD, THE SALES REVENUE THAT WE PROJECT IS JUST THAT, PROJECT. IT'S KIND OF LIKE WHEN WE DO OUR PROPERTY TAX. WE ALWAYS PROJECT A

CONSERVATIVE AMOUNT AND THANKS TO ASSESSOR AND THANKS TO OUR TREASURE TAX, WE REALIZE MORE THAN WE PROJECTED. SO WHAT I WOULD SAY TO THIS BOARD AND I WOULD SAY TO YOU SARAH, IS I THINK WE NEED TO PRIORITIZE WHAT, IF THE PROJECTIONS THAT ARE CONSERVATIVE COME IN MORE, WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE AS IT RELATES TO BOTH OUTCOMES, BUT ALSO PRIORITIES ON HOW WE CAN LEVERAGE OTHER COUNTY RESOURCES DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN BECAUSE I'M NOT CONVINCED THAT THIS DOLLAR AMOUNT IS GOING TO STAY STAGNANT. I'M JUST NOT. I BELIEVE THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES AND I HEAR, AND I'VE SEEN THROUGH THE YEARS WORKING FOR THE COUNTY, THE PROJECTIONS ALWAYS UNDERESTIMATE WHAT BECOMES A REALITY. SO, I THINK THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY AND THAT'S WHY TODAY'S AN IMPORTANT DISCUSSION SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I'M GLAD YOU PUT IT ON. AS A RECEIVING FILE, THIS IS NOT WRITTEN IN STONE, BUT THIS KIND OF THIS SETS THE TONE AND SETS THE TEMPER IF YOU WILL FOR WHERE WE ARE GOING AS IT RELATES TO OUR BUDGET TO ADDRESS THE UNHOUSED SO AGAIN, THANK YOU TO YOUR AND YOU AND YOUR TEAM JOE NICCHITTA. THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS PRIORITIZING THE NEEDS OF THIS BOARD AS IT RELATES TO THE BUDGET PLAN MOVING FORWARD. AND WITH THAT, THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU'RE ON.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I DO KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF SPEAKERS WHO ARE HERE IN THE ROOM, AND I THINK WE HAVE A LOT ON THE PHONE THAT ARE WANTING TO WEIGH IN ON THIS. AND, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, WE'VE GOT CHALLENGING TIMES AHEAD OF US, BUT I THINK TO ME THE BIG PICTURE HERE IS OUR VOTERS, RIGHT? SO, WE HAD MEASURE H FROM 2017 ON. AND BY THE WAY, EVERYONE OF THOSE PROJECTIONS WERE NOT AS GOOD AS THE ACTUAL REVENUE THAT CAME IN. WE ALWAYS OVERPERFORMED IN MEASURE H FROM WHAT WE THOUGHT. AND THE VOTERS, WHICH IS AMAZING, AND BIG SHOUT OUT TO THEM, WITH MEASURE A, THEY DECIDED TO DOUBLE THEIR TAX TO, ON THE SALES TAX, TO ADD MORE REVENUE TO IT. THAT'S INCREDIBLE. YOU KNOW, NOBODY ELSE REALLY DOES THAT. THE REST OF THE COUNTRY, PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT THEIR TAXES. OUR VOTERS IN L.A. COUNTY TIME AND TIME AGAIN SAY, WE SEE THE PROBLEM, WE KNOW WHAT IT IS, AND WE'RE WILLING TO TAX OURSELVES. SO, THEY DOUBLED THE TAX OF MEASURE H AND A AND IT SHOULD BRING IN OVER $1,000,000,000 EVERY YEAR. SO, WE ARE GETTING MORE MONEY TO ADDRESS THE CRISIS OF HOMELESSNESS. AND I JUST DON'T THINK WE CAN MISS THAT. I GET IT, COUNTY WILL CONTROL LESS OF THAT, BUT THERE IS MORE MONEY TO GO TO SOLVING THIS PROBLEM. AND I THINK THE VOTERS LOOKED AT, YOU KNOW, L.A. COUNTY, AND YES, WE'VE HAD SOME SUCCESSES, BUT WE DIDN'T DO EVERYTHING RIGHT. WE DIDN'T DO EVERYTHING PERFECT. AND THEY DECIDED WITH THE LANGUAGE IN MEASURE H TO SHIFT THE RESPONSIBILITY IN TERMS OF WHO IS RESPONDING TO THIS CRISIS.

AND THEY INTENTIONALLY SPREAD THE RESPONSIBILITY AS WELL AS THE RESOURCES ACROSS A BROADER SYSTEM, RIGHT? LACAHSA WILL BE GETTING A LOT MORE MONEY. EACH OF OUR CITIES WILL BE GETTING A LOT MORE MONEY. EACH OF OUR CITIES WILL BE GETTING A LOT MORE MONEY. OUR COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, I MEAN, I'M JUST LOOKING AT THE LIST OF THE TOP TEN CITIES WHO ARE GOING TO GET MORE MONEY THAN THEY'VE EVER HAD. MY GATEWAY COG IS GETTING $5,000,000. MY SOUTH BAY COG IS GETTING $3,000,000. I MEAN, THIS IS MONEY THEY'VE NEVER HAD BEFORE. SO, THE PUBLIC DECIDED THAT WE DIDN'T COMPLETELY SOLVE HOMELESSNESS SINCE 2017, AND THEY'RE GOING TO SPREAD IT AROUND. THEY'RE GOING TO SPREAD THE MONEY AROUND, THEY'RE GOING TO SPREAD THE RESPONSIBILITY AROUND, AND I THINK THAT'S RIGHT. AND WE HEARD COMPLAINTS SOMETIMES FROM OUR CITIES THAT H WAS NOT TRICKLING DOWN TO THEM LIKE THEY WANTED. SO HERE WE GO. MONEY'S GOING TO BE TRICKLING DOWN, BUT WITH THAT COMES ACCOUNTABILITY, COMES RESPONSIBILITY, AND THEY NEED TO STEP UP. AND I'M NOT HEARING ENOUGH, AND MAYBE THE NEXT PRESENTATION, SARAH, WE'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT HOW ARE WE GOING TO CONVINCE THEM, URGE THEM, ENCOURAGE THEM TO PICK UP WHERE WE ARE NOW UNABLE TO FUND. WE FUNDED EVERYTHING UNDER MEASURE A. WELL, THAT'S JUST NOT GOING TO BE THE CASE ANYMORE, AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PICK IT UP. THE PROBLEM IS SOMETIMES THEY WANT TO START NEW PROGRAMS WITH THIS NEW MONEY, RIGHT? THEY WANT TO BUY THE NEW CAR, BUT WE NEED TO, IF WE REALLY TRULY BELIEVE THAT SOME OF THESE PROGRAMS

WERE SUCCESSFUL AND THAT THEY COULD STAND ON THEIR OWN, THEN IT SHOULDN'T BE HARD TO CONVINCE THESE OTHER AGENCIES THAT THEY SHOULD PICK UP THE SLACK. NOW, IF THEY DON'T THINK THEY WERE SUCCESSFUL AND THEY DON'T AGREE WITH US, THEN YEAH, THEY'RE GOING TO PROBABLY START NEW PROGRAMS, WHICH I THINK WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE WHEN WE SEE PREVENTION, LEGAL SERVICES, PROBLEM-SOLVING, OUTREACH REDUCED WITHIN OUR PURVIEW, YOU KNOW, THE ASSUMPTION IS, OF COURSE, THOSE NEEDS ARE NOT GOING TO GO AWAY. BUT MY EXPECTATION IS NOW THAT OUR PARTNERS STEP IN OUR CITIES, OUR COGS, LACAHSA, THEY NEED TO STEP UP AND HELP US PICK UP THE SLACK. LACAHSA, WHICH WE ALL SIT ON, ADMINISTERS SIGNIFICANT FUNDING FOR WHAT? RENTER PROTECTIONS AND HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION. THOSE WERE SOMETHING WE TOOK THAT ON BY OURSELVES. WE SHARED THAT BURDEN JUST AMONG OURSELVES. THIS IS SAYING NO, LACAHSA, THIS IS UP TO YOU NOW. OUR CITIES AND COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT, THEY RECEIVE DIRECT ALLOCATIONS TO STABILIZE HOUSING TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS. SO AGAIN, WE'RE CONCERNED THAT WE'RE REDUCING PREVENTION STRATEGIES. WELL, IT'S GOING TO GO SOMEWHERE ELSE. AND WE NEED TO PIVOT. AND I THINK, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU SAID IT, WHETHER IT'S CONTRACT CITIES, INDEPENDENT CITIES, ALL THESE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE ALL ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH AND WE SPENT TIME ON AND SOME OF US HAVE SAT ON THE BOARDS OF THEM, YOU KNOW, THIS NEEDS TO BE OUR EFFORT GOING FORWARD IS MAKING SURE THEY UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE HAD TO

REDUCE THE FUNDING FOR THESE THINGS, BUT WE EXPECT THEM TO PICK IT UP. WE'RE STILL GOING TO BE LEADING THIS EFFORT, BUT WE CANNOT, AND FRANKLY, I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD DO THIS WORK ALONE. I REALLY DON'T. THIS SHOULD BE A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY. IT'S NOT JUST SKID ROW, SUPERVISORS SOLIS. AND IN THE OLD DAYS, THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY THOUGHT. THE HOMELESS PROBLEM WAS ON SKID ROW. THAT'S NOT THE CASE ANYMORE. IT IS EVERYWHERE. IT'S EVERY ONE OF OUR CITIES, EVERY ONE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. AND WITH THAT REALIZATION, IT MAKES COMPLETE SENSE THAT THE VOTERS HAVE DECIDED TO SHIFT THE RESOURCES OUT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO, MEASURE A WAS DESIGNED TO ALIGN OUR EFFORTS, NOT TO SILO THEM, AND I THINK IT'S SUCCESSFUL DEPENDENT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT DOING THEIR PART. I FEEL LIKE MEASURE A HAS GIVEN THE OVERALL SYSTEM, THIS HUGE SYSTEM WHERE WE'RE ADDRESSING THIS CRISIS MORE TOOLS TO ADDRESS THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS BUT FEWER OF THEM ARE HELD DIRECTLY BY THE COUNTY. AND I THINK THAT'S A REALIZATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO GRASP. IT'S HARD TO GRASP THAT. IT'S NOT EASY. THESE CUTS ARE GOING TO BE DIFFICULT. BUT I REALLY THINK WE NEED TO SHIFT HOW WE THINK ABOUT THIS. I REALLY DO. WE NEED TO PIVOT, AND IT CAN'T BE JUST KEEP TALKING ABOUT REDUCTIONS AND DEFICITS AND CUTS. IT HAS TO, WE HAVE TO PIVOT ON THERE'S MORE MONEY IN THE SYSTEM. THERE'S DOUBLE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE SYSTEM. AND ULTIMATELY, WE ALL CARE ABOUT THOSE FOLKS THAT ARE ON OUR STREETS STILL. AND I'M GLAD SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I

THINK THE REST OF YOU BROUGHT UP OUR VETERANS, RIGHT? WE HAVE MADE THIS DECLARATION AND VETERANS HOMELESSNESS BY 2028. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'RE GOING TO NEED HELP NOW. WE CAN'T DO IT BY OURSELVES BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE SAME CONTROL OVER THE REVENUE. BUT I CAN'T IMAGINE ANY CITY OR ANY COG NOT ALSO FEELING THAT URGENCY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO END VETERAN HOMELESSNESS BY 2028. SO, I FEEL LIKE THIS WILL BE MORE POSITIVE. I FEEL LIKE WE'LL HAVE BETTER INTERACTION WITH OUR CITIES AND OUR COGS AND LACAHSA. AND I FEEL LIKE THAT'S HOW WE, I DON'T LIKE TO SAY SOLVE OR END IT, BUT HOW WE ADDRESS THIS CRISIS IN A MORE PRODUCTIVE WAY IS IF ALL OF US ARE WORKING TOGETHER. AND OUR JOB, IN MY OPINION, GOING FORWARD, IS EDUCATING, COMMUNICATING, STRENGTHENING THOSE RELATIONSHIPS. WE ALL HAVE OUR OWN RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR CITIES, WE ALL HAVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH ELECTED LEADERS, AND NOW IS THE TIME TO RESHIFT HOW WE THINK ABOUT SPENDING THIS MONEY. SO, I JUST THINK MAYBE NEXT TIME, I WON'T ASK YOU TO NECESSARILY DEFINE WHAT YOU WILL DO, BUT MAYBE NEXT TIME, LET'S TALK HOW WE'RE ACTUALLY WORKING TOGETHER WITH ALL THESE ENTITIES TO, AGAIN, WE CAN'T FORCE THEM TO SPEND THEIR MONEY A CERTAIN WAY, AND THEY LIKE THAT. BUT I'D LIKE TO SEE HOW WE MIGHT CONVINCE THEM OR CONNECT THEM OR EDUCATE THEM TO HOW WE EXPECT THEM TO PICK UP THE SLACK.

SARAH MAHIN: I'M HAPPY TO COME BACK AND INCLUDE MORE OF THAT

NEXT TIME.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I THINK THAT'S A GREAT IDEA. AND PERHAPS WE CAN WORK THAT INTO THE NEXT MEETING THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ON THIS TOPIC AND HAVE MAYBE THE LEAD INDIVIDUALS FROM THE COGS AND SOME OF THE BIGGER CITIES OUTSIDE THAT HAVE DONE SOME THINGS COME IN AND SPEAK BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME GOOD EXAMPLES OF WHAT SUCCESS DOES LOOK LIKE. I MEAN, I'M THINKING ABOUT TWO CITIES THAT ARE IN MY AREA, BALDWIN PARK AND EL MONTE. WE GOT A BUNCH OF NEIGHBORING CITIES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHO JUST TURNED THE OTHER WAY, AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE THE PROBLEMS AREN'T GOING TO BE SOLVED DOWNTOWN. THEY'RE GOING TO BE SOLVED IN THEIR COMMUNITY. SO, LET'S WORK ON THAT AND I'M SURE OUR STAFFS CAN HELP PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER. SO, THANK YOU WITH THAT. I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO EO BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO TAKE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. BUT KEEP IN MIND WE DO HAVE, I'D SAY CLOSE TO 200 PEOPLE. AND I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET THROUGH IN TIME, BUT I'M GOING TO ALLOW EO TO READ THROUGH INSTRUCTIONS TO EXPEDITE AND TO PLEASE LET THE PUBLIC KNOW IT AIN'T OVER. WE'RE STILL GOING TO BE ABLE TO TAKE WHATEVER COMMENTS YOU WANT TO SEND TO US, EMAIL OR SUBMIT TO US FOR THE RECORD, BECAUSE WE'LL STILL HAVE ANOTHER MEETING. BUT THIS WAS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US AT LEAST TO HEAR FROM OUR NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD ABOUT HOW THIS IS GOING TO WORK

AND HOW WE CAN MAKE CHANGES FOR THE NEXT TIME. SO, WITH THAT EO, EDDIE?

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, BASED ON NUMBER OF AGENDA ITEMS AND THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, WE WILL NEED TO LIMIT THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. THERE ARE CURRENTLY 69 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO PROVIDE COMMENT IN PERSON ON THIS ITEM AS WELL AS OVER QUITE A FEW PARTICIPANTS ONLINE GIVEN THE NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11. IN ORDER TO FINISH TODAY'S MEETING EFFICIENTLY AND ADDRESS ALL AGENDA ITEMS THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM WILL BE 60 MINUTES. IF YOU ARE WITH A GROUP, PLEASE IDENTIFY ONE PERSON TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF YOUR ENTIRE GROUP. ADDITIONALLY, IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OTHER THAN WHAT HAS ALREADY BEEN STATED BY OTHER SPEAKERS, PLEASE INDICATE ONLY YOUR NAME AND YOUR SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO THIS ITEM TO ALLOW OTHERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. IF YOU ARE IN PERSON, SHOULD YOU LIKE TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED COMMENTS, YOU CAN DO SO BY SUBMITTING WRITTEN COMMENTS TO OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE STAFF WHO HAVE BADGES ON THEIR PERSON TO IDENTIFY THEM AS AN EXECUTIVE OFFICE STAFF. ADDITIONALLY, FOR THOSE ONLINE OR IN THE ROOM, YOU CAN PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS AT OUR WEBSITE AT BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV BY CLICKING THE LINK, SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENT ONLINE. ALL COMMENTS SUBMITTED

ONLINE WILL BE FILED IN THE OFFICIAL RECORD. PLEASE NOTE THIS TOPIC WILL BE COMING BACK TO THE BOARD AT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026, AT WHICH TIME THERE WILL BE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND PARTICIPATION IN TODAY'S MEETING. IT IS NOW 1:09. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS ITEM WILL END AT, OH, IT'S NOW 1:10. IT WILL END AT 2:10 P.M.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL BEGIN PUBLIC COMMENT WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JESSICA PERAL, MARISOL ALFARO, JERRY JONES, EVERETT TAYLOR, CHANTEL LOPEZ, JEREMY GOLDSTEIN, CHRIS NAMATH, ANDRE THOMAS, JED LIANO, GEORGIA HAWLEY, TONY OSBORNE, TIA BOOKER, DANIEL GONZALEZ, MATT TUSLEY, MYRNA CAMARENA, HENRY APODACA, LENA SILVER, AARON THOMPSON, KAYLA TEAL, SANDY MARTINEZ, ALAN SPRING, LAURA ELENA GERZA, SEAN MORRISSEY, BAM FRANKLIN, AND DEXTER O'CONNELL. FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE BEGIN.

REYNA MONTOYA: WELL, HELLO. IT'S ME AGAIN, REVEREND REYNA MONTOYA. I DID SIGN UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, BUT ANYWAYS, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE HOLD ON TO AS MUCH OUTREACH AS POSSIBLE. I'VE BEEN WORKING IN THE HOMELESS FIELD, YOU KNOW, DOING FOOD PANTRIES, WORKING WITH CHURCHES FOR WELL OVER 20 YEARS. AND ONE OF THE BIGGEST

FACTORS IN REACHING THE HOMELESS IS OUTREACH. OUTREACH, PREVENTION, AND COORDINATION. THAT IS THE BRIDGE TO THE HOMELESS. AND IF WE CUT THAT, ANY PART OF THAT, YOU RUN THE RISK OF INCREASING THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. IT TAKES ANY HOMELESS PERSON 8 TO 9 TIMES TO ACTUALLY TRUST AN OUTREACH WORKER. SO, IF YOU CUT THAT, YOU'RE CUTTING YOUR OWN FOOT. AND I WORK WITH THESE PEOPLE. I KNOW HOMELESS PEOPLE. I WORK WITH HOMELESSNESS STAFF. I WORK WITH THE OUTREACH NAVIGATORS. PLEASE, PLEASE DON'T CUT THAT. FIND A BETTER WAY. FIND A BETTER WAY TO INCREASE THE OUTREACH BECAUSE THAT IS SO, SO VITAL. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JERRY JONES: HI, I'M JERRY JONES WITH THE GREATER LA COALITION ON HOMELESSNESS. I WANT TO THANK SARAH MAYEN AND HER DEDICATED TEAM FOR ALL THE WORK THEY'VE DONE ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE FUNDING RESTORATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE, BUT OUT OF THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000, WE'RE STILL $219,000,000 SHORT. LIKE MANY PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM, I WORKED ON MEASURE A, AND THAT CITIZEN-LED BALLOT MEASURE ISN'T JUST ABOUT A DEDICATED STREAM OF REVENUE. IT'S A POWERFUL MESSAGE FOR POLICYMAKERS. IT'S A CALL TO ACTION FOR ADVOCATES. IT'S A PROMISE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE WAITING TO COME INSIDE. BY EARMARKING MONEY FOR HOMELESSNESS, I THINK THE VOTERS WERE

TELLING US ALL THAT IN THEIR VIEW, THIS CRISIS HAS NOT YET BEEN ADEQUATELY PRIORITIZED. THEY HAVE MADE BUDGET DECISIONS FOR THE BOARD, BUT ONLY THE BOARD CAN FINALIZE THE BUDGET. WE URGE YOU TO RESTORE IT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JED LEANO: SUPERVISORS, JED LEANO, SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR, INNER CITY LAW CENTER. ON NOVEMBER 4TH, THIS BOARD APPROVED A MOTION TO END VETERAN HOMELESSNESS BY 2028. AND JUST TWO MONTHS LATER, WE ARE POTENTIALLY DEFUNDING THE MVA HOMELESS VETERANS BENEFITS PROGRAM, WHICH COSTS JUST $1,300,000 FROM MEASURE A, BUT SAVES THE COUNTY MONEY. THIS PROGRAM RETURNS HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN MATCHING FUNDS. VETERANS IN THE PROGRAM BECOME FINANCIALLY STABLE AND ARE ABLE TO EXIT OR BYPASS THE HOMELESS SERVICES DELIVERY SYSTEM. THE SUM OF THE PROGRAM'S STATE MATCHING FUNDS AND SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY ON HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING DRAMATICALLY EXCEEDS THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM COSTS. WE URGE YOU TO DIRECT THE CEO TO RESTORE THE MVA PROGRAM BY SIMPLY ATTRIBUTING THE PROGRAM STATE MATCHING FUNDS AND COUNTY COST SAVINGS TO THE PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HEY LYNN, I'M WITH L.A. FAMILY HOUSING. I WANT TO THANK HSH AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE AND PARTNERSHIP. IF WE DO NOT CONTINUE CLOSING THE REMAINING GAP, THE COST OF DOING NOTHING IS FAR GREATER. WITH RESOURCES, LAFH ALONE CAN MOVE OVER 300 HOUSEHOLDS INTO PERMANENT HOUSING EACH QUARTER. WITHOUT ADDITIONAL HOUSING FOR HOUSING NAVIGATION AND TLS, IN THIS BUDGET THERE WILL BE NO NEW PLACEMENTS MOVING FORWARD. A TL SLOT CAN COST ABOUT $25,000 A YEAR. A MOTEL PLACEMENT COSTS $50,000, PLUS THE SERVICES OF HOSPITALS AND JAILS AND EMS, ADDS TO EVEN MORE WORSE OUTCOMES. WITHOUT FUNDING FOR HOUSING NAVIGATION AND TLS, FAMILIES WILL REMAIN IN ENCAMPMENT SHELTERS AND CARS. WE MUST CLOSE THE FUNDING GAP AND ENSURE INVESTMENT INTO MORE HOUSING RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HI, MY NAME IS SHONTEL LOPEZ. I'M WITH HOPE DIMISSION. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND HSH FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK. EVERY DAY WE SEE PEOPLE WHO RELY ON THE SERVICES, SENIORS, VETERANS, FAMILIES WHO ARE LEFT WITH NOWHERE TO TURN. WHILE WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO REDUCE THE BUDGET SHORTFALL, MAJOR CUTS STILL MEAN MORE PEOPLE LIVING ON THE STREETS WITH NO RESOURCES. WE URGE THE BOARD TO FULLY RESTORE FUNDING IN MEASURE A'S SPENDING PLAN AND ENSURE

HOMELESSNESS IS INCLUDED IN THE COUNTY-WIDE PHYSICAL SOLUTION THAT SOLVES THIS BUDGET SHORTFALL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED MEASURE A LAST YEAR TO INVEST IN HOMELESSNESS SOLUTION. THANK YOU. HAVE A NICE DAY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

TONY OSBORNE: FOR THE RECORD, MY NAME IS TONY OSBORNE. I'M A RESIDENT OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND WE NEED THE SUPERVISOR TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING AND RESTORATION OF MEASURE A SPENDING THAT IS FINALIZED. THANK YOU, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND SUPERVISORS. PLEASE FULFILL THE PROMISES THAT VOTERS MADE ON MEASURE A AND THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JEREMY GOLDSTEIN: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JEREMY GOLDSTEIN, REPRESENTING THE WHOLE CHILD AND SPEAKING ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE LEADERSHIP AND EFFORT OF THE DHSH IN TACKLING AND REDUCING THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. THANK YOU FOR PRIORITIZING VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR EFFORTS MATTER. THE WHOLE CHILD SERVES FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, OFTEN QUIETLY IN CARS, MOTELS, DOUBLED UP

OCCUPANCIES. THEY ARE AN UNSEEN POPULATION, BUT EARLY INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT MAKES A LASTING DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN. AS YOU FINALIZE YOUR PLANS, WE RESPECTFULLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO FULLY PROTECT HOMELESSNESS FUNDING IN A FISCAL PLAN THAT RESOLVES THE GAP SO THAT MEASURE A CAN CONTINUE DELIVERING THE STABILITY AND PREVENTION THAT VOTERS ENVISIONED. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

JESSICA PARRAL: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS JESSICA PARRAL AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER, WE APPRECIATE DHSH STAFF FOR YOUR CONTINUED EFFORTS IN FINDING WAYS TO REDUCE THESE CUTS. HOWEVER, WE NEED THE SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE FUNDING RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. CUTTING A QUARTER OF THE HOMELESS BUDGET WILL CREATE GRIDLOCK AND LESS FAVORABLE OUTCOMES AS MORE OF OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS WILL BE TOLD TO TAKE A NUMBER AND WAIT. THE HOMELESS COUNT SHOWS A SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR DECLINE IN HOMELESSNESS. BY PASSING MEASURE A ONE YEAR AGO, VOTERS ARE EXPECTING FURTHER PROGRESS. GOING BACKWARDS AND DECREASING FUNDING WILL HAVE A CATASTROPHIC EFFECT ON PUBLIC TRUST AND VOTER CONFIDENCE THAT L.A. COUNTY HAS THE ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT HOMELESS STRATEGY. I ALSO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE SIGNIFICANT WORK THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE DONE TO SUPPORT THE NEEDS OF TAY.

YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS AND DESERVE A SYSTEM FUNDED AND DESIGNED TO MEET THOSE NEEDS. BEDS ARE NOT ENOUGH. YOUNG PEOPLE NEED SPECIALIZED WRAPAROUND SERVICES THAT SUPPORT THEIR DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH TO PREVENT ADULT CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO LEARN ABOUT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS BEING CUT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

GEORGIA HOLLY: HI, MY NAME IS GEORGIA HOLLY WITH THE MIDNIGHT MISSION, SPEAKING ON MEASURE A. FIRST, THANK YOU FOR WORKING DILIGENTLY TO REDUCE THE $300,000,000 DEFICIT. WE TRULY APPRECIATE THE PROGRESS YOU'VE MADE. BUT NOW THE REMAINING SHORTFALL IS DEVASTATING FOR LOS ANGELES AND FOR ORGANIZATIONS LIKE OURS THAT ARE ALREADY STRETCHED TO THE LIMIT. EVERY DAY I LOOK INTO THE EYES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FIGHTING FOR THEIR LIVES, PEOPLE WHO ARE FINALLY STABILIZING, TRUSTING US, BELIEVING THEY ARE WORTH SAVING. WITHOUT THESE LIFE-SAVING PROGRAMS, THESE FRAGILE MOMENTS OF HOPE WILL DISAPPEAR. SEVEN UNHOUSED PEOPLE DIE IN LOS ANGELES EVERY DAY, EACH A PRECIOUS LIFE THAT MATTERED. AND IF THESE CUTS MOVE FORWARD, THAT NUMBER WILL UNDOUBTEDLY GROW. SADLY, THESE LOSSES ARE OFTEN UNSEEN AND FAR TOO OFTEN PREVENTABLE. WE KNOW THAT EVERY BUDGET DECISION MATTERS, BUT NO FISCAL CHOICE COULD POSSIBLY OUTWEIGH THE VALUE OF HUMAN LIFE. PLEASE INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTY-

WIDE FISCAL SOLUTION NOW WHILE LIVES CAN STILL BE SAVED. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

HENRY MICHAEL APODACA: HI, FOR THE RECORD, MY NAME IS HENRY MICHAEL APODACA, MEDIA ARCHIVIST WITH THE LOS ANGELES POVERTY DEPARTMENT'S SKID ROW HISTORY MUSEUM AND ARCHIVE. HERE TO SPEAK ON MEASURE A, SPENDING PLAN AS OUTLINED IN ITEM NUMBER 11. ESTEEMED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR THE HARD WORK OF YOUR STAFF AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. AND WE APPRECIATE DHSH STAFF FOR STANDING UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE. HOWEVER, WE NEED SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE FUNDING RESTORATIONS AS A SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. LET US CONSIDER THE IMPACT THE SPENDING PLAN WILL HAVE ON HUMAN CONDITIONS BEYOND THESE WALLS, SPECIFICALLY IN SKID ROW, CENTRAL CITY EAST, WHERE I CONDUCT IN-PERSON OUTREACH FOR MY ORGANIZATION. WE NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTY-WIDE FISCAL PLAN THAT SOLVES THE BUDGET SHORTFALL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED MEASURE A LAST YEAR TO --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

ERIN THOMPSON: YES, I'M ERIN THOMPSON, FIRST DISTRICT RESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT OF LACPC, ALUM OF LAWPY, AND REST IN PEACE TO CO-FOUNDER JOY ATKINSON AND TEAM MEMBER OF ICOC FOR THE LAST 11 YEARS. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE AND THE HARD WORK AND THE FORENSIC ANALYSIS THAT YOU'VE DONE ALREADY TO REDUCE THE INITIAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. MY REQUEST IS THAT YOU PLEASE NOT APPROVE THIS PLAN WITHOUT FILLING THE GAP FIRST. THE HOMELESS COUNT NUMBERS ARE FINALLY GOING DOWN. WE ARE ON A GREAT TREND, ENJOYING SOME MOMENTUM TO ACTUALLY RESOLVE THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS IN THIS COUNTY. AND WE NEED MORE, NOT LESS FUNDING. I VOTED FOR MEASURE A LAST YEAR, AND TO APPROVE IT AS IS WAY BELOW WHAT I EXPECTED. PLEASE FIND THE FUNDS BECAUSE WE NEED EVERY HOUSING NAVIGATOR, EVERY PREVENTION PROGRAM, EVERY REGIONAL COORDINATOR, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND UNIT OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. THANKS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

DEXTER O'CONNELL: YES, HELLO. IT'S DEXTER O'CONNELL FROM SAFE PLACE FOR YOUTH. AND AS ALWAYS, EVEN IN CIRCUMSTANCES LIKE THESE, IT IS A GENUINE PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH YOU. WE SEE YOUR EFFORTS TO FUND FUNDS TO PRESERVE YOUTH BEDS AND PROGRAMMING, AND WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE ALSO THANK THE

SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR PERSONAL COMMITMENTS THROUGH THEIR STAFF AND THEIR TEAMS TO DIRECTLY SERVE YOUTH-FOCUSED PROGRAMMING. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THE PRESERVATION OF TAY ACCESS CENTERS, WHICH IS A CLEAR RECOGNITION OF THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE. WE NEED TO REMIND YOU, THE ACCESS CENTER IS A HUB FOR SPECIALIZED CASE MANAGEMENT, LIKE CAMPUS PEER NAVIGATION, FAMILY REUNIFICATION, DCFS AND PROBATION LIAISONS, AND HOUSING NAVIGATION. WE ENCOURAGE YOU, AS YOU SHAKE THE COUCH CUSHIONS, TO CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF THESE SPECIALIZED PROGRAMMING AREAS AND ENSURE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE CAN CONTINUE TO BE SERVED BY THAT TYPE OF PROGRAMMING IN THE ACCESS CENTERS THAT YOU AND THE TEAM AT HSH HAVE SO EFFECTIVELY PRESERVED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MIRNA CAMARENA: HELLO, MIRNA CAMARENA FOR SAFE PARKING L.A. I HAVE HAD BEEN WORKING 22 YEARS IN THIS HOMELESS SECTOR. AND THROUGHOUT MY CAREER, I HAVE SEEN HOW THE HOMELESS HAS EVOLVED. AND IT'S NOT COOKIE CUTTER. WE HAVE A SPECIFIC HOMELESS POPULATION THAT'S INVISIBLE. AND THAT IS A WORKING-CLASS AMERICAN CITIZEN THAT ARE LIVING IN THEIR VEHICLE. SAFE PARKING L.A. HAS BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE THEM STABILITY AND HAVE EVEN BEEN PROVIDED SERVICES TO OUR OWN SISTER AGENCIES, CASE MANAGERS, HOUSING NAVIGATORS, SRO STAFF HAVE COME THROUGH OUR PROGRAM AND WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE THEM STABLE HOUSING.

SAFE PARKING IN L.A., IT IS AN INTERVENTION TO CHRONICALLY HOMELESSNESS. I MYSELF AM, COULD BE A VICTIM OF HOMELESSNESS SHOULD MY JOB BE CUT. I AM MIDDLE AGE, TOO YOUNG TO BE SENIOR, AND TOO OLD TO START ALL OVER AGAIN. AND SHOULD THIS MEASURE PASS, WE WILL HAVE A HUGE PANDEMIC WITH HOMELESSNESS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MATTHEW TECLE: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MATTHEW TECLE. I'M ALSO WITH SAFE PARKING L.A. I WANT TO START BY THANKING THE SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS DIRECTOR MAHIN FOR YOUR ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY IN THIS PROCESS. IT'S VERY CHALLENGING, BUT IT IS MUCH APPRECIATED FROM THE PROVIDER'S LENS. THE PEOPLE WE SERVE ARE PARENTS TRYING TO KEEP THEIR CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS, SENIORS MANAGING HEALTH CONDITIONS AND WORKING PEOPLE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO STAY AFLOAT. THEY ARE AN UNDERSERVED POPULATION WHO NEED A LIGHTER TOUCH, A SAFE PLACE, STABILITY AND DIGNITY, NOT ANOTHER DOOR CLOSED IN THEIR FACE WHEN THEY ARE ACTIVELY TRYING TO STABILIZE AND MOVE FORWARD. I HAVE SEEN WHAT HAPPENS WHEN PROGRAMS LIKE SAFE PARKING ARE AVAILABLE AND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THEY ARE NOT. WHEN THIS OPTION DISAPPEARS, PEOPLE DON'T SUDDENLY FIND OTHER INTERVENTION STRATEGIES AND SOLUTIONS. THEY BECOME MORE ENTRENCHED AND EVENTUALLY END UP FULLY UNSHELTERED AT FAR GREATER HUMAN AND SYSTEMIC COSTS PLEASE DON'T REMOVE ONE OF THE FEW INTERVENTIONS THAT ACTUALLY

WORKS FOR THIS POPULATION I URGE YOU TO PROTECT THIS FUNDING FOR THIS CRITICAL INTERVENTION STRATEGY. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

KAYLA TEAL: HELLO SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS KAYLA TEAL FROM HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY HOUSING. WE ARE A NONPROFIT WHOSE MISSION IS TO BUILD AND MANAGE AFFORDABLE AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK THE HSH STAFF FOR THE HARD WORK THAT HAS ALREADY GONE INTO REDUCING THIS DEFICIT. HOWEVER, THE MOST STARTLING THING TO ME IS THE ZERO DOLLARS NEXT TO HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION. BECAUSE IF PEOPLE ARE FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS FASTER THAN WE CAN HOUSE THEM, WE WILL NOT MAKE THE IMPACT THAT MEASURE A WAS INTENDED FOR. THESE CUTS MEAN FEWER INTERVENTIONS THAT KEEP PEOPLE HOUSED AND MORE TRAUMA FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSING INSECURE. PLEASE RESTORE THE FULL BUDGET TO FULFILL WHAT VOTERS EXPECTED WHEN THEY PASSED MEASURE A. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

KATIE HILL: HI, KATIE HILL, UNION STATION HOMELESS SERVICES. I WANT TO THANK SARAH AND HER TEAM FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND COLLABORATION DURING A TREMENDOUSLY DIFFICULT TIME. AS NOTED, THE $271,000,000 OF THE MEASURE A BUDGET IS BEING USED TO FILL

DEFICITS CAUSED BY NEWER EXPANDED OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING LEGAL SETTLEMENTS AND THE LOSS OF STATE, FEDERAL, OR ONE-TIME FUNDS. THIS IS NOT WHAT THE VOTERS INTENDED WHEN THEY AGREED TO DOUBLE THE TAX ON THEMSELVES TO ADDRESS THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. THE FAMILY SYSTEM IN PARTICULAR IS GOING TO BE DEVASTATED. ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT, 4,000 FAMILIES ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AT LEAST 10,000 OVER THE COURSE OF A YEAR. BUT IN THIS SPENDING PLAN, THERE ARE LESS THAN 500 SLOTS FOR RAPID REHOUSING FOR FAMILIES FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY, ALL OF WHICH ARE CURRENTLY FILLED. AND THIS ALSO MEANS THAT AN ADDITIONAL 500+ FAMILIES CURRENTLY SUPPORTED THIS WAY WILL HAVE TO BE CLOSED OUT BY JULY 1. AT THE SAME TIME, THE FAMILY SOLUTION CENTERS ARE NOT FUNDED AT ALL. EVEN THOUGH A PHYSICAL DROP-IN CENTER DOES NOT PLAY THE SAME ROLE IN SPA 3 AS IT DOES IN 2 OR 6 BECAUSE OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA, THAT FUNDING STILL COVERS THE FAMILY RESPONSE TEAM, MOBILE STAFF WHO OPERATE THE FRONT DOOR IN OUR REGION. LASTLY, YOU ALL HAVE COMMENTED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVING THE JOBS OF LAHSA STAFF, WHICH WE SUPPORT. BUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS HERE MEAN THAT CUTTING THE JOBS OF 100S OF FRONT LINE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. VICKY ARENAS, SHARON STEWART, DEANDRA DAVIS, DANIEL GARCIA, ZEKE SANDOVAL, LILY CLARK, DETRELL H, SABRINA SILVA, ELADIO ESTRADA, CHARLENE

DIMAS-PINADO, BEN KEY, SHI LIU, TRAVIS CROWN. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR REMOTE SPEAKERS. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818-912. YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

ALEXIS TANNER: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALEXIS TANNER AND I'M WITH ST. JOSEPH CENTER. I WANTED TO SPEAK ON ITEM 11.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: PLEASE CONTINUE.

ALEXIS TANNER: SORRY. FIRST, THANK YOU FOR PRIORITIZING HOUSING AND YOUR PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, I WANT TO ECHO THAT WE ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT PROPOSED REDUCTIONS COULD LEAD TO THE CLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY ACCESS CENTERS FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THESE SITES ARE NOT EXTRAS. THEY ARE A CORE PART OF OUR HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE AND CONTINUUM OF CARE. THEY PROVIDE BASIC HYGIENE SUPPLIES, TOWELS, MAIL SERVICES, EDUCATION, AND CONNECTION TO MEDICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE. IF THESE DOORS CLOSE PEOPLE WILL SUFFER AND LANGUISH ON THE STREET AND WE SHOULD EXPECT PREVENTABLE HARM INCLUDING INCREASED MORTALITY. WE ARE ESPECIALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL CLOSURE OF FAMILY ACCESS CENTERS. THESE PROGRAMS ARE OFTEN THE FRONT DOOR FOR WOMEN AND FAMILIES WHO NEED IMMEDIATE SUPPORT IN A PATHWAY TO SAFETY AND STABILITY. CLOSING THEM WILL PUSH MORE WOMEN AND

CHILDREN --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ANDREA MARCHETTI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN YOUR LINE IS OPEN. WE WILL GO TO NEXT CALLER ARTAMIO LECLERC JONES YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

ARTEMIO LECLERC JONES: HELLO, MY NAME IS ARTAMIO LECLERC JONES WITH VENICE COMMUNITY HOUSING. THANK YOU FOR THE HARD WORK OF YOUR STAFF AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING WHO HAVE WORKED HARD TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL DEFICIT. WE APPRECIATE THE HSH STAFF FOR STANDING UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE. HOWEVER, WE NEED THE SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE THESE FUNDING RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. OUR VCH IS ALSO URGING SACRAMENTO TO DO THE SAME THING AND RESTORE CUTS TO HHAP IN THE STATE BUDGET. WE NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTY WIDE FISCAL PLAN THAT SOLVES THIS BUDGET SHORTFALL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED MEASURE A LAST YEAR TO INVEST IN HOMELESS SOLUTIONS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 909595. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

ROY HUMPHREYS: OKAY. THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR

SOLIS FOR TIPTOEING THROUGH THE MINEFIELD OF BENIGN NEGLIGENCE AND CORRUPTION. GIVEN THE OUTSTANDING DYNAMICS KNOWN AS JUST THINK OF THE POSSIBILITIES IF NO COUNTY OR STATE FUNDS WERE SPENT ON BIDEN ILLEGALS AND $130,000,000.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: SIR, THIS IS ITEM NUMBER 11 ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR FOR THE BUDGET FOR THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. YOU NEED TO STICK YOUR COMMENTS TO THAT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: PLEASE CONTINUE. WE WILL GO TO OUR NEXT CALLER. HECTOR RAMIREZ, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

HECTOR RAMIREZ: THIS IS DISTRICT 3 RESIDENTS. I WANT TO THANK SARAH MAHIN AND ALL THE STAFF AT HSH ON THIS VERY IMPORTANT WORK FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS PLAN AND THE CONTINUED WORK IS REALLY AN IMPORTANT DIRECTION IN PROVIDING MORE EQUITABLE SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITIES. AT THE SAME TIME, I WANT TO CONTINUE TO CALL OUT THE NEED TO MAINTAIN AND CONTINUE TO ADVANCE ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE PROGRAM SOLUTIONS AND TO FOCUS ON HIGHLY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS SUCH AS PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, OUR SENIORS, FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN THAT DEPEND ON FAMILY SOLUTIONS CENTERS, DV VICTIMS, OUR QUEER COMMUNITIES, OUR TAY AND OTHER HIGHLY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING THE WORK THAT

YOU'RE DOING IN THIS WORK. IT'S IMPORTANT AND THANK YOU AGAIN.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THIS ITEM IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

BRYAN FRANKLIN: BAM FRANKLIN. UNFORTUNATELY, I HAVE A BAD VOICE TODAY. SO, I'LL DO MY BEST TO GET THROUGH THIS VERY QUICKLY. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING. THIS IS A VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TASK. IN MY OPINION, A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IS PRETTY MUCH THE ONLY WAY TO DO ERADICATION. AND JUST THINK ABOUT THIS FOR JUST A SECOND. I'VE HEARD THE TERM UNHOUSED, I'VE HEARD THE TERM HOMELESS, AND OUR RECOMMENDATION, I'M GOING TO READ FROM OUR WEBSITE, BAMGIVES.COM, BOTTOM LINE, IS IT MENTAL OR MONEY? UNHOUSED EQUALS UNKNOWN, WE MUST SEPARATE THE TWO AND NOT CALL EVERYONE HOMELESS. AFTER WE KNOW MENTAL OR MONEY, ADDRESSING MONEY ISSUES ARE AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3: 1 JOB, 2 ENTREPRENEURSHIP, 3 UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME. I'M BRIAN FRANKLIN, BETTER KNOWN AS BAM, AND I'M DONE SPEAKING, BAM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

LENA SILVER: I'M LENA SILVER FROM NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE THANK THE BOARD AND HSH FOR THE HARD

WORK THAT'S ALREADY GONE INTO THE BUDGET AND FOR RESTORATION OF CBEST AND SOME OF THE GR SUBSIDY FUNDS. WE'RE MINDFUL THAT THIS DISCUSSION IS HAPPENING IN THE CONTEXT OF DRAMATIC LOSS OF PUBLIC BENEFITS DUE TO WORK REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER CUTS. I RAISE A FEW CONCERNS. FIRST, LAHSA FUNDING FOR GR OLDER ADULTS WILL HARM THE PILOT, WILL HARM LONG-TERM EFFICACY OF ANY RESEARCH ON GI. WE WILL NOT HAVE LASTING CHANGE IN L.A. UNTIL WE TACKLE GR. THE BUDGET PRESENTS SIGNIFICANT GAPS IN PREVENTION THAT LACAHSA CANNOT MEET ALONE. THERE SHOULD BE COORDINATION BETWEEN HSH AND LACAHSA TO PROVIDE PREVENTION NAVIGATION SERVICES TO DRAW DOWN EXISTING STATE AND FEDERAL DOLLARS. WHILE THE TARGETED PREVENTION PILOT IS CRITICAL, IF HSH HAS NO PREVENTION INFRASTRUCTURE, WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP? WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE FAMILY SYSTEM. THE CLOSURE OF FSCS AND LOSS OF HALF-FAMILY SUBSIDIES WILL LEAVE FAMILIES WITH NOWHERE TO GO. THE COUNTY SHOULD BE LEADING A COORDINATED SYSTEM. AND FINALLY --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ANDRE THOMAS: GOOD AFTERNOON. ANDRE THOMAS, SANCTUARY OF HOPE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY STAFF FOR REDUCING THE MEASURE A DEFICIT. SECONDLY, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THE REMAINING CUTS TO PREVENTION, HOUSING, NAVIGATION, AND YOUTH SERVICES WILL HAVE

SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES. IN A FEW REGIONS, WE SERVE AS PROVIDERS. WE'RE ONE OF THE ONLY YOUTH PROVIDERS IN THESE REGIONS AND ZEROING OUT THESE PROGRAMS REMOVES THE VERY SUPPORT THAT KEEPS YOUTH HOUSED AND OUT OF THE ADULT HOMELESS SYSTEM. WITHOUT PREVENTION AND NAVIGATION, YOUTH STAY UNHOUSED LONGER, EXIT TO PERMANENT HOUSING SLOWER AND --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

TIA BOOKER: HI, MY NAME IS TIA BOOKER WITH HOPPEX HOMELESS TREATMENT PROGRAM SPEAKING ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. THANK YOU FOR THE HARD WORK THAT LED TO THE REDUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL DEFICIT. AS A CASE MANAGER, I WORK WITH CLIENTS WHO ARE NOT ONLY UNHOUSED BUT ALSO MANAGING MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE NEEDS. WHAT'S NEEDED IS THE FULFILLMENT OF THE PROMISE VOTERS MADE WHEN MEASURE A WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR TO INVEST IN LASTING HOMELESS SOLUTIONS THAT INCLUDE TREATMENT AND HOUSING STABILIZATION. REGARDLESS OF THE CAUSE, THE EFFECT HAS BEEN UNIMAGINABLE. OUR CLIENTS AND THE REST OF THE HOMELESS POPULATION DESERVE A FIGHTING CHANCE. AND IN ORDER TO GIVE THEM THAT CHANCE, WE NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTYWIDE FISCAL PLAN THAT TRULY SOLVES THIS BUDGET SHORTFALL. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

SHAWN MORRISSEY: GOOD AFTERNOON, SHAWN MORRISSEY WITH UNION STATION. WE WANT TO THANK YOU AND THE STAFF AT HSH FOR THE HARD WORK THAT'S GONE INTO REDUCING THE ORIGINAL SHORTFALL. WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU FOR STANDING UP TO THE MOST, FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE. REAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE, BUT WE NEED THE BOARD TO CONTINUE THESE RESTORATIONS AS THE PLAN IS FINALIZED. LASTLY, WE HAVE COMMENTED, YOU HAVE COMMENTED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVING THE JOBS OF LAHSA OF STAFF, WHICH WE SUPPORT, BUT THE RECOMMENDATIONS HERE MEAN CUTTING THE JOBS OF HUNDREDS OF FRONTLINE WORKERS AT COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE JUST AS DEDICATED TO OUR SHARED MISSION. WE URGE THE SUPERVISORS NOT TO RELY ON MEASURE A TO FILL GAPS CAUSED BY THE LOSSES OF OTHER RESOURCES AND TRULY FULFILL THE PROMISES WE ALL MADE TO VOTERS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

VICKY ARENAS: GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VICKY ARENAS WITH THE DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S CENTER. I WANT TO THANK YOU, YOUR OFFICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HSH LEADERSHIP FOR REDUCING THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 GAP. WE RECOGNIZE THE SIGNIFICANT EFFORT IT'S TAKEN TO PROTECT SERVICES FOR OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS AND SURVIVORS. THANK YOU. OUR ORGANIZATION SHARES THAT COMMITMENT, AND FOR THAT REASON, WE RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU

TO CONTINUE RESTORING THE REMAINING FUNDING THROUGH A COUNTY-WIDE BUDGET PLAN. WE'RE GRATEFUL SURVIVOR-SPECIFIC SERVICES WERE PROTECTED, YET SURVIVORS RELY ON CARE ACROSS THE ENTIRE SYSTEM, SO CUTS WILL HAVE IMPACTS ON ALL PEOPLE ACCESSING SUPPORT AND ON OUR WORKFORCE. EXAMPLES INCLUDE CUTS TO ICMS THAT'S ESSENTIAL FOR KEEPING PEOPLE HOUSED AND MASTER LEASING WHICH STABILIZES RESIDENTS AND PRESERVES LIMITED HOUSING STOCK. WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO PARTNERSHIP INCLUDING ADVOCATING IN SACRAMENTO FOR HAP FUNDING TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUDGET ALONGSIDE YOU. IT WAS A PROMISE TO INVEST IN LESS INCLUSIONS AND WE CAN DO THAT WITH YOUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ZEKE SANDOVAL: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS ZEKE SANDOVAL WITH PATH. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU AND THE TEAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME SERVICES AND HOUSING FOR AND I'M GRATEFUL FOR YOUR HONESTY. WE'RE MAKING THE BEST OF A BAD SITUATION AND THAT'S WHAT OUR ORGANIZATIONS AND ALL OF OUR STAFF DO EVERY SINGLE DAY HELPING YOUR CONSTITUENTS GET OUT OF REALLY TERRIBLE SITUATIONS SO APPRECIATE YOU ALL MATCHING THAT COMMITMENT TO MAINTAIN SOME STABILITY WE ENCOURAGE A SWIFT APPROVAL OF THIS PLAN AND CONTINUED EFFORTS TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS FOR L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS IN THE OVERALL COUNTY BUDGET. IN PARTICULAR, AS OTHERS HAVE MENTIONED, WE EXPECT TO

NEED OUR COUNTY AND CITIES TO FILL GAPS IN THE FAMILY SYSTEM LEFT BY THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER, WE'RE IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

DETRELL: HELLO, MY NAME IS DETRELL. I'M THE ADVOCACY AND POLICY COORDINATOR OF THE L.A. EMISSARY. I WOULD FIRST LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND DIRECTOR MAHIN FOR THEIR CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT AND COLLABORATION ON THIS BUDGET. I KNOW THAT IT'S A VERY HARD FISCAL YEAR AND I'M GLAD THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO HAVE DISCUSSION TOGETHER. HOWEVER, I AM SAD TO SEE THE PREVENTION DOLLARS HAVE BEEN ZEROED OUT. ACTUALLY, IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH ABOUT 30 YOUNG PEOPLE IN DIFFERENT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AROUND OUR PRIORITIES WITHIN THE MEASURE A BUDGET, PREVENTION WAS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY OUTSIDE OF HOUSING. AND I DO AGREE THAT THERE ISN'T MUCH SPACE TO MOVE MONEY WITHIN THIS CURRENT MEASURE A BUDGET. HOWEVER, THERE IS MONEY THAT IS AVAILABLE, LIKE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDS AND HOW THESE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS GET THESE LACAHSA FUNDS. THERE IS OPPORTUNITY, ESPECIALLY WITH THE HPU UNIT. MY BIGGEST GRIPE IS THAT YOUTH PREVENTION IS NOT FUNDED UNDER MEASURE A CURRENTLY. THE HPU IS AN AMAZING PROGRAM, HOWEVER, IT CURRENTLY SCREENS OUT TAY AND IT NEEDS THAT EXTRA SUPPORT. SO, WE ASK THAT YOU CREATIVELY STRATEGIZE BY USING THOSE LOCAL

SOLUTIONS DOLLARS AND THOSE LOCAL COST OF FUNDS TO ACTUALLY ADVANCE YOUTH PREVENTION. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

DANIEL GARCIA: MY NAME IS DANIEL GARCIA AND I WANT TO SAY THAT WHILE YOU ARE ACTUALLY DOING THE BUDGET PLANNING, AND LOOK AT THE MEDIC THAT YOU HAVE AND THERE'S NO INDICATION WHATSOEVER IN THE MEDIC SYSTEM THAT YOU ARE PROVIDING RIGHT NOW ON AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY ACCESSIBLE HOUSING BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT THE MEDICATION, THERE'S NOT MUCH IN WHAT'S AVAILABLE IN ACCESSIBLE HOUSING. SO, IF YOU WANT TO BE ABLE TO LIVE ON AND THAT'S MY MAIN ONE. PLEASE MAKE MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE WHOLE SYSTEM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

DEANDRA DAVIS: HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DEANDRA DAVIS, AND I'M HERE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF HOPICS, THE LEAD HOMELESS AGENCY IN SPA 6. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL TO YOUR STAFF AT HSH, WHO HAVE WORKED HARD TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. HOWEVER, THERE'S STILL MORE WORK TO BE DONE. WE NEED YOU ALL TO CONTINUE THESE FUNDING RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. THE DEFICIT COMES AT AN ADVERSE TIME WHEN

FEDERAL AND STATE CUTS ARE HAPPENING. WHEN WE CUT THESE PROGRAMS, WE DON'T SAVE MONEY. WE SHIFT THESE COSTS TO JAILS AND HOSPITALS. WE'RE URGING YOU ALL SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTYWIDE FISCAL PLAN THAT SOLVES THIS GAP AND OTHER SHORTFALLS. WE URGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE PROVIDERS TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS TO PROTECT THE COUNTY'S PROGRESS, UPHOLD MEASURE A'S COMMITMENTS, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, PREVENT MORE PEOPLE FROM BECOMING HOMELESS. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CHARLENE DIMAS-PEINADO: CHARLENE DIMAS-PEINADO, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF WELLNESS. GOOD AFTERNOON MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. WELLNESS PROVIDES TRAUMA-INFORMED MENTAL HEALTH AND HOUSING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE THOUGHTFUL AND STRATEGIC APPROACH BY HSH TO SUPPORT YOUTH HOUSING, AS WELL AS MANAGE THE VARIOUS FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. WE ARE HOWEVER SEEING AN INFLUX OF, EXCUSE ME, WE ARE SEEING AN INFLUX OF REFERRALS OF TRANSITION AGE YOUTH, MANY OF THEM AGING OUT OF THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND MANY OF THEM WITH YOUNG CHILDREN. THEY HAVE SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES, AND WE ARE REQUESTING THAT YOU CONTINUE TO SUPPORT GENEROUSLY INTERIM AND

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SO THAT THEY REMAIN STABLE AND THEY DO NOT RECYCLE BACK INTO HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. KATIE HILL, SHANNON MURRAY, MARIA BARAHONA, OLGA FLORES, CHRIS BACA, KAREEM FAITHFULL, TARA BROWN, JOSEPH ALLEN, CELINA ALVAREZ, KEN CAMPA, HEATHER VARDIN, MONIQUE DONJUAN, AUDRA SAIP, MARIA DE JESUS GOMEZ, ROMINA BALTERAS, MILAGROS LOPEZ, ALEJANDRO MEZA, CATHERINE PIMENTEL, JESSE JAMES MORALES, HANNAH RUDNICK, MONIQUE ALVARADO, SYLVIA CATILLO, BRITTANY MASON. PLEASE CONTINUE.

ELADIO ESTRADA: GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS ELADIO ESTRADA, AND I WORK WITH HARBOR INTERFAITH SERVICES. I'M HERE TODAY AS A SERVICE PROVIDER SPEAKING ON THE HUMAN SIDE OF OUR TRANSITION AGE YOUTH, I'D LIKE TO SHARE THE FOLLOWING. OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE NOT ASKING FOR A HANDOUT. IF ANYTHING, THEY ARE MERELY TRYING TO MAKE SENSE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES THEY DID NOT CHOOSE. MANY HAVE NEVER BEEN TOLD THAT THEY MATTER. SOME HAVE NEVER HEARD THE WORDS I LOVE YOU AND NOT TOO MANY CANNOT REMEMBER THE LAST TIME THEY RECEIVED A HUG. AND YET THEY CONTINUE TO FIND THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR THEIR FUTURES. WHEN THEY FIND AN ALLY, SOMEONE THEY CAN FIND A

TRUST, THEY CAN BEGIN TO OPEN UP, BUT THAT TRUST IS FRAGILE. AS A COMMUNITY AND AS SERVICE PROVIDERS, WE SHARE MORE RESPONSIBILITY NOT TO FAIL THEM. I URGE YOU TO PROTECT AND RESTORE THE BUDGET FOR COORDINATION, WHICH HELPS TO SUPPORT TRANSITION AGE YOUTH. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

SABRINA SILVA: HI, MY NAME IS SABRINA SILVA WITH HARBOR INTERFAITH FAMILIES AND SPA 8, SPEAKING ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. EVERYDAY FAMILIES ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY FACE THE HEARTBREAK OF NOT KNOWING WHERE THEY WILL SLEEP THAT NIGHT. I WANT TO THANK THE DEDICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING STAFF FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK TO PREVENT THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE. WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN REDUCING THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. UNFORTUNATELY, TOO MANY FAMILIES ARE STILL AT RISK. WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE THESE FUNDINGS RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED AND FOR THE SACRAMENTO TO DO THE SAME AND RESTORE CUTS TO THE HAP IN THE STATE BUDGET. EVERY DOLLAR RESTORED IS A STEP TOWARDS KEEPING A CHILD IN THEIR BED, FOOD ON THE TABLE, AND A FAMILY TOGETHER. MEASURE A WAS A PROMISE FROM VOTERS TO INVEST IN SOLUTIONS THAT PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AND SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITIES. WE NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE

HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTYWIDE PHYSICAL PLAN.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SHARON STEWART: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHARON STEWART WITH HARPER INTERFACE SERVICES SPEAKING ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. THANK YOU TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING FOR THE HARD WORK ON REDUCING THE ORIGINAL SHORTFALL OF $303,000,000. HOWEVER, THERE REMAINS A SIGNIFICANT DEFICIT THAT RESULTS IN ELIMINATING MANY VITAL PROGRAMS NECESSARY FOR REDUCING HOMELESSNESS IN L.A. COUNTY. WE NEED THE SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING RESTORATIONS BY EXAMINING THE ENTIRE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUDGET TO ADDRESS THIS SHORTFALL. PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED OR ELIMINATED ENTIRELY. THESE CHANGES WILL DISMANTLE A DECADE OF INFRASTRUCTURE LEADING TO AN INCREASE IN THE LENGTH OF TIME AN INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCES HOMELESSNESS. WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARDS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS AS A PRIORITY WITH AN ACCOUNT WHITE FISCAL PLAN THAT FULLY FULFILLS THE PROMISE THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED MEASURE A LAST YEAR. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

LILLIE CLARK: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LILLIE CLARK AND I

WORK FOR HOPICS. I'M SPEAKING TODAY REGARDING MEASURES A SPENDING PLAN. WE APPRECIATE THE DEDICATED STAFF FROM DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING WHO'VE DONE THEIR BEST WITH THE FUNDING THEY BELIEVE IS AVAILABLE TO THEM. BUT THE PROGRAM THAT I REPRESENT REPRESENTS INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO ALSO HAVE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE ISSUES. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS MAY HEAVILY IMPACT PROGRAMS THAT ARE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING CRITICAL SERVICES TO THIS ALREADY HIGHLY VULNERABLE POPULATION. WHAT WE CAN'T DO IS ELIMINATE THE PROGRAMS THAT PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AND EXPECT THE CRISIS TO IMPROVE. EVERY SUBSIDY CUT, EVERY OUTREACH PROGRAM LOST, EVERY NAVIGATION TEAM DISMANTLED, EACH ONE REPRESENTS A PERSON WHO WILL FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS. WE URGE THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES TO PRESERVE THESE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AND CONTINUE WORKING WITH PROVIDERS SUCH AS HOPICS TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS THAT PROTECT THE COUNTY'S PROGRESS, THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

CHIEH LU: MY NAME IS CHIEH, I WORK WITH NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES. THERE ARE SERIOUS CONCERNS AS TO WHETHER THE PROPOSED SPENDING PLAN IS SET UP TO SUCCESSFULLY SUPPORT UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS, AS AMONG OTHER THINGS, IT DEFUNDS VITAL SERVICES. LEGAL SERVICES PLAYS A CRITICAL ROLE IN SUPPORTING

UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS IN BECOMING HOUSED. OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS TELL US THEY NEED SERVICES IN ORDER TO BE HOUSED, WHICH WILL NOT BE FUNDED BY LACAHSA. FOR EXAMPLE, WE WORKED WITH AN UNHOUSED CLIENT WHO NEEDED A NAME CHANGE TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THEIR GENDER IDENTITY. THEY NEEDED THE SERVICE TO OBTAIN NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION SO THEY COULD APPLY FOR HOUSING, BENEFITS, EMPLOYMENT. AS A RESULT OF LEGAL SERVICES, OUR CLIENTS SUCCESSFULLY PETITIONED THE COURT FOR THEIR NAME CHANGE AND WAS SUPPORTED IN APPLYING FOR VITAL DOCUMENTATION INCLUDING THEIR PASSPORT AND SOCIAL SECURITY CARD. THEY ARE NOW HOUSED AND WORKING ON THEIR GOAL TO PURSUE HIGHER EDUCATION. THEIR SUCCESS STORY HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPACT SERVICES, LEGAL SERVICES HAS ON ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. PLEASE BEGIN.

TRAVIS CROWN: HELLO, MY NAME IS TRAVIS AND I WORK WITH THE L.A. EMISSARY. AND TODAY I AM REPRESENTING THE GREATER L.A. COALITION. I FIRST WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THE RESTORATION OF MONEY TO THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN AND THE EXPANSION OF BEDS FOR ON-HOUSED YOUNG ADULTS. MY ASK TODAY IS FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE A HOMELESS, TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTYWIDE PHYSICAL PLAN THAT SOLVES THE BUDGET

SHORTFALL. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISES THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY VOTED FOR MEASURE A LAST YEAR. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

LORAYNE LINGAT, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER: TO THOSE IN THE ROOM, JUST AS A REMINDER, WE HAVE JUST A FEW MINUTES LEFT. SO, IF WE CAN KEEP YOUR REMARKS AS BRIEF AS YOU CAN SO WE CAN TRY TO GET THROUGH EVERYBODY. THANK YOU.

BEN KAY: SO GOOD TO BE WITH YOU ALL. I'LL BE BRIEF. MY NAME IS BEN KAY. I'M WITH HOPICS. REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT THE NEW DEPARTMENT HAS DONE WITH THIS BUDGET. HOMELESSNESS IS A SHOCK, ESPECIALLY FOR FAMILIES. FSCS ARE A PLACE THAT CAN ABSORB THAT SHOCK. THOSE STAFF ARE TRAINED TO WORK WITH FAMILIES ON THE WORST DAY OF THEIR LIFE. I APPRECIATE THE CONVERSATION THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AROUND THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING PLACES THAT CAN ABSORB THIS SHOCK. AND THE ONLY THING I'LL SAY IN CLOSING IS IF WE LOSE THIS SPACE, WE RISK THAT SHOCK HAPPENING ACROSS OTHER PARTS OF OUR COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE ARE NOT TRAINED TO RESPOND TO IT. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

KIMBERLY ROBERTS: HELLO, MY NAME IS KIMBERLY ROBERTS WITH L.A. FAMILY HOUSING. WE APPRECIATE HSH FOR BUILDING A VALUES-DRIVEN BUDGET AND IDENTIFYING FUNDING TO HELP CLOSE THE GAP, BUT THE REMAINING FUNDING DEFICIT IS TOO LARGE FOR THE HOMELESS SYSTEM TO ABSORB ALONE. ZEROING OUT CRITICAL PROGRAMS LIKE HOUSING NAVIGATION AND ACCESS CENTERS AND FAILING TO INCREASE TIME-LIMITED AND LONG-TERM LOCAL SUBSIDIES PLACES THE BURDEN ON PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THE VOTERS WHO EXPECT RESULTS. HOMELESSNESS IS A DECLARED EMERGENCY IN L.A. COUNTY AND WE MUST ALIGN OUR SPENDING PLAN WITH THAT DECLARATION. THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOT EXTRAS, THEY ARE ESSENTIAL. WITHOUT RESTORING FUNDING, THE IMPACT WILL BE IMMEDIATE. FEWER HOUSING PLACEMENTS, MORE FAMILIES ON THE STREET, AND MORE PEOPLE IN CRISIS. NOT RESTORING FUNDING DOESN'T SAVE MONEY, IT SHIFTS COSTS AND KEEPS PEOPLE ON THE STREETS. PROVIDERS ARE ALREADY STRETCHED VERY THIN AND DEEP CUTS OF MORE THAN 25% OF OUR BUDGETS WILL CRIPPLE THE SYSTEM AND LEAD TO HUNDREDS OF TRAINED EMPLOYEES BEING LAID OFF. WE URGE THE BOARD TO ACT WITH URGENCY, LOOK BEYOND MEASURE A AND RESTORE FUNDING WITH AN APPROVED BUDGET AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN DELIVER THE OUTCOMES VOTER DEMAND.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JESSE JAMES MORALES: YES. MY NAME IS JESSE JAMES MORALES,

ADJUTANT EMERITUS, AMERICAN LEGION POST-8. I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LEGION. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK YOU AND TELL YOU THAT WE ARE TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF YOUR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE HOMELESSNESS AND MEASURE A AND WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO. AND WE INTEND TO LOBBY TO PUSH THIS THROUGH AND SUPPORT YOU IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE. FOR THE RECORD, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS THE HIGHEST CONCENTRATION OF VETERANS OF ANY COUNTY IN THE NATION. WE ARE RANKED 11TH BY THE 50 STATES, IN ADDITION TO WHICH THE HISTORY OF THIS PLACE, INCLUDING SUPERVISOR, MY MENTOR, SUPERVISOR KENNY HAHN, WE CREATED THE VETERAN'S FOOD BANK, WHICH IS NOW THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL FOOD BANK TO SUPPORT THIS. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. I WOULD PERSONALLY LIKE TO GIVE YOU THIS FOR EACH ONE OF YOU THAT'LL OUTLINE EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW, OKAY? INCLUDING OUR BUDGET. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SHANNON MURRAY: MY NAME IS SHANNON MURRAY. I'M THE GENERAL MANAGER OF HOMELESS AND HOUSING SERVICES AT WLCAC. I FIRST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR RESTORING A PART OF THE CUTS TO THE MEASURE A BUDGET. WE NEED MORE. AFTER 30 YEARS OF DOING THIS WORK, THE PAST FIVE YEARS HAS BEEN THE FIRST TIME WHEN I ACTUALLY FELT LIKE WE COULD POTENTIALLY SOLVE HOMELESSNESS. WE'VE HAD A 9% DECREASE IN THE STATE AND OVER THE PAST TWO

YEARS, A 4% REDUCTION LOCALLY, WHILE OTHER COMMUNITIES SEPARATE INCREASES UP TO 20%. THIS FEELING ABRUPTLY ENDED WITH NEWS OF A MYRIAD OF UPCOMING CUTS. THE EHB PROGRAM, THE HAP FUNDING, ACCESS CENTERS, FSCS, MOST SAFE PARKING PROGRAMS, AND THE DRAMATIC REDUCTION OF THE TIME-LIMITED SUBSIDY PROGRAM, AS WELL AS A 25% REDUCTION IN COUNTY MEASURE A FUNDS AND PROGRAMS. IT'S TRULY OVERWHELMING AND HEARTBREAKING. L.A. COUNTY NEEDS TO CONTINUE IN ITS FULL COMMITMENT TO INVESTING IN A COMPLETE HOMELESS SERVICES BUDGET TO KEEP OUR MOST VULNERABLE --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

MARIA BARAHONA: AS MARIE, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MARIA BARAHONA WITH HAVEN HILLS, A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICE PROVIDER IN SD3. I'M SPEAKING ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. I FIRST WANT TO THANK HSH AND THE STAFF FOR REDUCING THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT, AND I APPRECIATE THE INTENT TO PROTECT OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. HOWEVER, THE PROPOSED REDUCTIONS TO HOMELESS SERVICES WILL HAVE REAL AND IMMEDIATE IMPACTS. WE ALREADY CANNOT MEET EXISTING DEMAND AND MORE THAN 28,000 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES WHO ENTER THE HOMELESSNESS SYSTEM FOR THE FIRST TIME EACH YEAR. CUTTING FUNDING NOW MEANS TURNING PEOPLE AWAY, PROLONGING HOMELESSNESS, AND INCREASING PRESSURE ON AN ALREADY OVERWHELMED SYSTEM. HOMELESS SERVICES

WORK AS AN INTERCONNECTED SYSTEM. WHEN FUNDING IS REDUCED IN ONE AREA, IT WEAKENS THE ENTIRE SYSTEM AND MAKES SERVICES LESS EFFECTIVE AND MORE COSTLY OVER TIME. I STRONGLY URGE YOU TO CONTINUE EXPLORING ALTERNATIVES TO RESTORE FUNDING SO MEASURE A CAN TRULY MEET THE SCALE OF NEED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

TARA BROWN: HI, MY NAME IS TARA BROWN AND I'M WITH UPWARD BOUND HOUSE, A SERVICE PROVIDER AGENCY HELPING HOMELESS FOLKS STABILIZE IN HOUSING. THIS REQUIRES A ROBUST SERVICE SYSTEM. I WILL KEEP MY COMMENTS SIMPLE AS I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF SAVING LIVES. WE VOTED TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES. WE VOTED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. CUTTING THE BUDGET IN HOMELESS SERVICES WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY REVERSE THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. I KNOW BALANCING THE BUDGET WAS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND DIFFICULT DECISIONS HAD TO BE MADE, BUT WE VOTED TO ADD FUNDING AND CUTTING IT WOULD REALLY AFFECT VOTER CONFIDENCE. IF THE TRAJECTORY OF HOMELESSNESS GETS WORSE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE WORLD'S EYES LOOKING AT US NOW WITH WORLD CUP, WITH THE OLYMPICS AND SO FORTH, IT WILL BE EASY FOR PEOPLE TO SAY IT WAS BECAUSE YOU CUT THE HOMELESS BUDGET. SO, LET'S FIND SOLUTIONS AND RESTORE THE BUDGET BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT WE VOTED FOR. MY COMMENTS ARE SIMPLE, EVEN THOUGH THE

BUDGET IS NOT. BUT SAVING HOMELESS BUDGET IS SIMPLY ABOUT SAVING.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MONIQUE ALVARADO: HI, MY NAME IS MONIQUE ALVARADO AND I'M SPEAKING TODAY AS AN INDIVIDUAL RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS AND A SURVIVOR OF CHILDHOOD ASSAULT FROM MCLAREN HALL. I CURRENTLY SERVE AS DOWNTOWN L.A. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AS THE HOMELESS LIAISON REPRESENTING CENTRAL CITY EAST SKID ROW. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND STAKEHOLDERS FOR THEIR WORK ON THE AMBITIOUS VISION SET FORTH IN MEASURE A TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS BUT THE PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS AND SHORTFALLS AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO DECIMATE NEARLY A DECADE OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS AND SYSTEMS CHANGE FUNDED BY L.A. COUNTY TAX PAIRS THE SAFETY NET IS SHRINKING THERE'S FEWER RESOURCES FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. EVEN MORE CHILLING IS THE IMPACT ON WORKING CLASS COUNTY RESIDENTS LIKE MYSELF WHO ARE ONE EMERGENCY AWAY FROM HOMELESSNESS OR FOSTER YOUTH LIKE MY COUSINS WHO ARE LOST IN THE SYSTEM AND HAD THEIR FUTURES ROBBED DUE TO LACK OF SERVICES. WHEN HOUSING PREVENTION AND STABILIZATION ARE REDUCED, COSTS DO NOT DISAPPEAR. THEY SHIFT TO EMERGENCY ROOMS, JAILS, AND MORGUES, AND THAT IS FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. THAT IS MORAL FAILURE.

PLEASE RESTORE FULL FUNDING AND MAKE IT PART OF A LARGER FISCAL --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CELINA ALVAREZ: MY NAME IS CELINA ALVAREZ AND I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT HOUSING WORKS AND AN ALTADENA COMMUNITY MEMBER FOR THE LAST NEARLY 20 YEARS. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND STAFF AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING WHO HAVE WORKED TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS THE IMPORTANCE FOR EACH OF YOU, THE SUPERVISORS, TO CONTINUE THESE RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. OUR ORGANIZATIONS ARE ALSO URGING SACRAMENTO TO RESTORE CUTS TO HAP IN THE STATE BUDGET. FOR HOUSING WORKS, THE REMAINING CUTS TO SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUTS LIVES AND HOUSING AT RISK. A FRONTLINE CASE MANAGER RECENTLY PREVENTED AN EVICTION FOR A HOUSING WORKS PARTICIPANT, RECOVERING FROM A MEDICAL EMERGENCY, COORDINATING BENEFITS, CALMING A LANDLORD, AND MAKING SURE THE RENT GOT PAID. IF SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ARE CUT, THAT INTERVENTION DOES NOT HAPPEN.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

KATHERINE PIMENTEL: HELLO, MY NAME IS KATHERINE PIMENTEL. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF HOUSING WORKS. SUPERVISORS, YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO SPARE OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS FROM GREATER HARM. JUST AS YOU MADE SHARED REDUCTIONS ACROSS 26 DEPARTMENTS TO ADDRESS OTHER COUNTRYWIDE GAPS, WE URGE YOU TO FIX THE HOMELESS REVENUE GAP AS PART OF A COUNTRYWIDE BUDGET STRATEGY. THE PROPOSED MEASURE A PLAN CUTS NEARLY A QUARTER OF FUNDED PROGRAMS JUST ONE YEAR AFTER VOTERS APPROVED MEASURE A BY A 60% MARGIN. INSTEAD OF BUILDING ON PROGRESS, THE COUNTY IS POISED TO CLOSE BEDS/SERVICES AND PUSH PEOPLE BACK ONTO THE STREETS. THE HOMELESS COUNT SHOWS A SECOND YEAR OF DECLINE. GOING BACKWARDS NOW WILL DAMAGE PUBLIC TRUST AND STALL MOMENTUM. THESE CUTS DON'T SAVE MONEY. THESE SHIFT COSTS TO EMERGENCY ROOMS, JAILS, CRISIS RESPONSE, AND ULTIMATELY BACK TO THE STREETS. ZEROING OUT HOUSING NAVIGATION ALONE WILL KEEP PEOPLE HOMELESS, LONGER AND DISPROPORTIONATELY HARM BLACK AND LATINO RESIDENTS, OLDER ADULTS, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. WE URGE YOU TO LOOK BEYOND MEASURE A, REEVALUATE THE $52,500,000,000 COUNTY BUDGET, PRESERVE THESE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS, AND UPHOLD COMMITMENTS VOTERS DEMAND.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

IN-PERSON SPEAKER: HELLO, MY NAME IS ALEJANDRO WITH HOUSING WORK SPEAKING ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. THANK YOU FOR

YOUR EFFORTS TO RESTORE SOME OF THE BUDGET AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THAT VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED OF MEASURE A LAST YEAR TO INVEST IN SOLUTIONS FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE. A HUGE CONSEQUENCE OF REDUCING THE BUDGET THAT SHOULD BE HIGHLY ELEVATED IS A POTENTIAL LOSS OF TRUST ACCOUNTABILITY BETWEEN US AND OUR PARTICIPANTS IF OUR TEAMS CAN MAINTAIN A CONSISTENT PRESENCE IN THEIR LIVES DUE TO CUTS. WE'RE WORKING HARD TO FOSTER AND BUILD TRUST WITH THOSE WE SERVE. WE TYPICALLY SERVE PROVISIONS AS WELL RECEIVED WHEN TRUST HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MARIA DE JESUS: MY NAME IS MARIA DE JESUS WITH HOUSING WORKS SPEAKING ON THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. WE APPRECIATE DHSH STAFF FOR STANDING UP FOR THOSE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE BY RESTORING SOME OF THE CUTS TO THE BUDGET. HOWEVER, CUTTING BACK ON PREVENTION, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS ONLY INCREASES THE BURDEN ON US, THE SERVICE PROVIDERS, WHO HELP PEOPLE NAVIGATE THE SYSTEM BY FINDING AND RETAINING HOUSING FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES. OUR JOBS ARE ALSO IN DANGER, BUT WITHOUT US, MORE PEOPLE MAY ENTER THE HOMELESS SERVICE SYSTEM AND WILL NEED MORE INTENSIVE INTERVENTION.

WHERE WILL THAT SUPPORT AND SERVICE QUALITY COME FROM? WE URGE ALL OF YOU TO CONTINUE THE WORK TO RESTORE COSTS TO HHAP IN THE STATE BUDGET. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ROMINA BALTAZAR: HELLO, MY NAME IS ROMINA BALTAZAR WITH HOUSING WORKS. IT IS NOT WITHOUT GREAT EFFORT ON YOUR PART AND GREAT APPRECIATION ON OUR PART THAT PARTIAL FUNDING WAS RESTORED TO THE BUDGET. THIS REFLECTS WHAT'S POSSIBLE WHEN THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE IS AT STAKE AND WE CAN WORK COLLECTIVELY TO FIND COMMON GROUND, CAN COMPROMISE AND FIND SOLUTIONS. WHAT IS THE VALUE OF BEING ABLE TO HELP PEOPLE APPLY FOR HOUSING, SECURE DOCUMENTATION, ACCESS BENEFITS AND STATE HOUSE, PRICELESS? WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THESE SERVICES TO THOSE RECEIVING THEM, PRICELESS. WHAT IS THE VALUE OF YOU BEING ABLE TO INFLUENCE THE FUNDING OF THESE DESPERATELY NEEDED SERVICES WE WILL SEE, BUT UNTIL THIS IS REVEALED, PLEASE INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN A COUNTYWIDE FISCAL PLAN TO HELP ADDRESS THE BUDGET SHORTFALL. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MONIQUE DON JUAN: MY NAME IS MONIQUE DON JUAN WITH HOUSING WORKS SPEAKING ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR

HARD WORK OF YOUR STAFF AT DHSH WHO HAS WORKED HARD TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 DEFICIT. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE WORKING HARD ON BEHALF OF THOSE IN NEED OF THE SERVICES THAT THE RESTORATION OF THESE FUNDS WILL ALLOW. THE ONLY THING WE CAN BE SURE OF WITH THESE CUTS ARE MORE UNMET NEEDS, FEWER PROGRAMS AND STAFF. MEANING MORE PEOPLE MAY BE UNHOUSED LONGER OR CYCLE BACK INTO HOMELESSNESS. FOR MANY, THEIR VERY LIVES DEPEND ON THIS FUNDING SUPPORT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING ALONG SIDES WITH YOU TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

AUDRA SEIF: HI, MY NAME IS AUDRA SEIF WITH HOUSING WORKS. SPEAKING ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN, WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR THE PROGRESS MADE IN REDUCING THE BUDGET SHORTFALL. HOWEVER, WE NEED THE SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING OF RESTORATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. THE SHORTFALL OF MEASURE A FUNDS DOES TRANSLATE INTO FEWER DOLLARS ON PAPER. IT TRANSLATES TO REAL CUTS OR ELIMINATION OF PROGRAMS THAT KEEP PEOPLE HOUSED. WE WORK EVERY DAY TO EMPOWER OUR PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS TO MAINTAIN THEIR HOUSING, BUT TO CONTINUE DOING THIS, WE NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO INCLUDE HOMELESSNESS IN THIS COUNTY-WIDE OFFICIAL PLAN THAT SOLVES THE BUDGET SHORTFALL.

THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

OLGA FLORES: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS OLGA FLORES WITH THE VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICES AND SPA 2. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND HSH FOR THEIR SIGNIFICANT AND SINCERE EFFORTS IN CLOSING THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000 BUDGET GAP. AS YOU MOVE FORWARD TO ADOPT THE FINAL SPENDING PLAN, WE URGE YOU TO CONTINUE THE EFFORTS TO CONTINUE TO RESTORE THE REMAINING PROPOSED CUTS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY PREVENTION PROGRAMS. REDUCTION TO YOUTH COORDINATION, DCFS AND PROBATION LIAISON, CAMPUS PEER NAVIGATION AND HOUSING NAVIGATION WILL DIRECTLY RESULT IN LONGER EPISODES OF HOMELESSNESS FOR TRANSITIONED AGE YOUTH. HOUSING NAVIGATION IS A CRITICAL PATHWAY FROM INTERIM HOUSING INTO PERMANENT STABLE HOMES. WITHOUT IT, YOUNG PEOPLE WILL REMAIN STUCK IN THE SYSTEM WITH FEWER OPTIONS TO EXIT HOMELESSNESS. MEASURE A WAS APPROVED BY VOTERS TO EXPAND ACCESS TO SOLUTIONS AND WE WANT TO --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

KENN CAMPA: GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KENN CAMPA WITH PROYECTO PASTORAL DE LOURDES MISSION. TODAY I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. OUR

GUADALUPE HOMELESS PROJECT HAS BEEN SUPPORTING SOME BOYLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY RESIDENTS FOR THE PAST 38 YEARS, FIRST WITH OUR MEN'S SHELTER AND THEN THE OPENING OF OUR WOMEN'S SHELTER BACK IN 2014. WE ALONG WITH OUR FELLOW SERVICE PROVIDERS UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL CARE TO OUR HOMELESS COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY DURING THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES. FIRST, WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR YOUR HARD WORK AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING WHO HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO REDUCE THE DEFICIT. WE UNDERSTAND THIS IS NO EASY TASK WITHOUT WE CONTINUE TO URGE THE SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE TO FUND REGISTRATIONS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. EQUALLY, WE ARE ALSO URGING THE SAME UP IN SACRAMENTO. WE UNDERSTAND AND WE ARE HERE ALONGSIDE OUR FELLOW SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO WILL BE IMPACTED BY THE PROJECTED CUTS, KNOWING THAT THESE CUTS WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO THEM, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO THE CLIENTS THEY HAVE COMMITTED TO SUPPORT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO US TODAY, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO FULFILL THE PROMISE THE VOTERS MADE WHEN THEY APPROVED MEASURE A.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

HEATHER VARDEN: HELLO, MY NAME IS HEATHER VARDEN, AND I WANTED TO JUST REMIND EVERYONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE SERVING IN

THIS. THERE ARE BUDGET CUTS, BUT THE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE SERVING ARE LIVING ON THE STREETS. THEY ARE SOMEONE'S MOTHER, FATHER, BROTHER, SISTER, SON, OR DAUGHTER. AND WE NEED TO FIGHT FOR THOSE PEOPLE TO HAVE SOME SORT OF STABILITY IN THEIR LIVES. THAT'S WHAT WILL PULL THEM OUT OF HOMELESSNESS. SOMETIMES THAT IS THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT THEY'VE MADE WITH THEIR OUTREACH WORKER. CONTINUITY OF CARE IS VERY IMPORTANT ESPECIALLY WITH THIS VERY VULNERABLE POPULATION AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT AS WE HAVE CHANGES DUE TO BUDGET CUTS, THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO KEEP SOME SORT OF STABILITY WITH SOME SORT OF CASEWORKER AS THEY MOVE THROUGH THIS PROGRESS. AND PROGRESS TOWARDS SOLVING THEIR STRUGGLE WITH HOMELESSNESS IS NOT LOST. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE SUPPORTING THE WORKERS IN THIS FIGHT SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO SERVE THE POPULATION TO GET THEM OFF THE STREETS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SYLVIA CASTILLO: HI, MY NAME IS SYLVIA CASTILLO. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF JENESSE CENTER, ONE OF THE LARGEST AND OLDEST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION ORGANIZATION IN LOS ANGELES. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MADAM CHAIR AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL DECISIONS IN THIS CLIMATE OF BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS. WE HAVE CONTINUED CONFIDENCE THAT YOU WILL SEEK RESOURCES AS YOU FINALIZE THE BUDGET AND RESTORE

THE ORIGINAL $303,000,000. WE HOPE THAT AS YOU DO THIS WORK, YOU WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE AND FEEL OUR SUPPORT. FROM THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMUNITY, WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE LIFT UP 1 IN 4 FAMILIES --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

MILAGROS LOPEZ: YES, GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MILAGROS LOPEZ AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING HOPICS, THE LEADING SERVICE PROVIDER IN SPA 6. I'M SPEAKING TODAY ON THE CUTS WHICH DIRECTLY IMPACT THE ACCESS CENTER PROGRAM SERVING SINGLE ADULTS AND FAMILIES. THESE PROGRAMS ARE THE FRONT DOOR TO THE COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM, AND OFTEN THE VERY FIRST AND ONLY, AND SOMETIMES THE ONLY POINT OF CONTACT FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. ANNUALLY, THE ACCESS CENTER AND FAMILY SOLUTIONS CENTER SERVE OVER 13,000 DUPLICATED INDIVIDUALS. THROUGH OUR ACCESS CENTERS, PEOPLE ARE CONNECTED TO CRITICAL SERVICES SUCH AS EDUCATION SERVICES, HOUSING NAVIGATION, MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE, AND OTHER STABILIZING RESOURCES. FOR MANY, THIS IS THEIR FIRST EXPERIENCE OF HOPE AND A CLEAR PATH TOWARDS STABILITY. FAILURE TO FUND THESE PROGRAMS WILL NOT ONLY DISRUPT ESSENTIAL SERVICES BUT WOULD UNDO SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE IN REDUCING HOMELESSNESS AND IMPROVING OUTCOMES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE URGE THE BOARD TO

CONTINUE SUPPORTING THESE VITAL PROGRAMS SO THAT WE CAN SUSTAIN ACCESS --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

BRITTANY MASON: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRITTANY MASON AND I'M HERE TODAY REPRESENTING JOVENES, INC., A TRANSITION AGE YOUTH AND STUDENT HOUSING PROVIDER. AS MANY HAVE ALREADY EMPHASIZED, I WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE SERIOUS FUNDING GAP AFFECTING HOMELESS SERVICES. WE APPRECIATE THE STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN NARROWING THE INITIAL SHORTFALL, ESPECIALLY FOR YOUTH. HOWEVER, IT'S ESSENTIAL FOR THIS BOARD TO CONTINUE RESTORING THESE FUNDS AS THE SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED. AS A TAY PROVIDER, THE PAST DECADE HAS ALLOWED US TO FORM CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR YOUTH THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY AND SPECIFICALLY IN AREAS LIKE EAST AND SOUTHEAST L.A. THESE PROPOSED CUTS WILL DEVASTATE THE OUTREACH, CONNECTION, AND COORDINATION SYSTEMS THAT MANY IN THIS ROOM FOUGHT SO HARD TO CREATE. THE EFFECTS WILL BE EXPONENTIAL AS THE NEXT GENERATION OF HOMELESS YOUTH ARE FORCED TO FACE THE CRISIS ALONE. THIS IS WHY THE TAY PROVIDERS STAND UNITED WITH THE BROADER HOMELESS SECTOR IN CALLING FOR A COUNTYWIDE SOLUTION TO NEXT YEAR'S REVENUE SHORTFALL. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. CLAUDIA JEREZ, DWC-DPSS. VOTERS DOUBLED UP ON, THE VOTERS DOUBLED UP THE MEASURE A BECAUSE APPARENTLY WE NEED A SOLUTION AND THE SOLUTION NEEDS TO BE MADE AND IT NEEDS TO BE SERIOUS. SO, I'M THINKING WE NEED A COMPONENT OF EMPLOYMENT IN THESE SIGNS OF THESE PROGRAMS. EMPLOYMENT SOLUTIONS ARE VERY IMPORTANT. IT BOOSTS YOUR CONFIDENCE TO HAVE A JOB, ENRICHES YOUR LIFE, IT GIVES YOU A PURPOSE. SO HAVING A COMPONENT OF EMPLOYMENT IN SOMETHING LIKE GR, YOU GO TO GR, YOU'RE GOING TO GROW, IT'S CALLED GROW, AND THEN THEY GIVE YOU JOB ASSISTANCE, THEY GIVE YOU ALL THE TOOLS THAT YOU NEED TO GET EMPLOYMENT. I THINK A COMPONENT LIKE THAT WILL WORK IN THE DESIGN OF THE ENTIRE HOMELESS SERVICES, YOU KNOW, DESIGN, IT WILL BE VERY, I THINK, A NEW APPROACH. AND YOU KNOW, I'M THINKING IT COULD BE A GOOD SOLUTION. PEOPLE NEED --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JOSEPH ALLEN: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOSEPH ALLEN. I AM A CASE MANAGER WITH WLCAC, THE WATCH LABOR COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE. I'M SPEAKING TODAY REGARDING THE MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN. I ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICE AND HOUSING STAFF TO REDUCE THE ORIGINAL BUDGET DEFECT AND THE PARTIAL RESTORATION OF MEASURE A FUNDING. DESPITE THIS PROGRESS, THE REMAINING

PROPOSAL FUNDING REDUCTIONS WILL AFFECT FRONTLINE HOMELESS SERVICE CLIENTS ARE A RISK OF LOSING THEIR HOUSING AND CASE MANAGERS ARE A RISK OF LOSING THEIR JOBS BEGINNING THIS JULY IF FUNDING GAPS REMAIN UNRESOLVED AS MEASURE A SPENDING PLAN IS FINALIZED, I REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONTINUE RESTORATION HOMELESS FUNDING AND PROTECT CORE PROGRAMS, INCLUDING HAP, THE HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM, WHICH SUPPORT HOUSING, RENTAL ASSISTANCE, OUTREACH AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICE. ALSO REQUEST CONTINUED ADVOCACY AT THE STATE LEVEL FOR THE RESTORATION OF A CHAP FUNDING TO BE IN FURTHER SERVICE DISRUPTION. FINALLY, I ASKED HOMELESS --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MATTHEW BENJY: HELLO BOARD. I'M MATTHEW BENJY WITH INNER CITY LAW CENTER. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND THE STAFF FOR THE DELIBERATE EFFORT TO ADDRESS THIS HOUSING CRISIS. INNER CITY LAW CENTER HAS BEEN TASKED TO HELP OUR HOMELESS VETERANS RECEIVE THE VA BENEFITS THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE. THE COUNTY FUNDS A $1,300,000 PROGRAM TO HELP VETERANS RECEIVE THESE BENEFITS. FOR THIS PROGRAM, THE COUNTY RECEIVED $600,000 FROM THE STATE AS MATCHING FUNDS. WITH THIS PROGRAM, INNER CITY LAW CENTER IS ABLE TO BRING IN AROUND $4,500,000 A YEAR FOR OUR CLIENTS. THIS INCLUDES $1,500,000 OF LUMP SUM PAYMENTS AND $3,000,000 OF ONGOING

FUNDING EVERY SINGLE YEAR. WE ARE OBVIOUSLY HERE TO EXPRESS THAT, AND IF THIS FUNDING IS CUT, WE WOULD BE UNABLE TO BRING THIS FUNDING TO OUR CLIENTS, AND THOSE COSTS WOULD THEN GO ON TO THE COUNTY WE'RE REALLY CONCERNED THAT THIS $1,300,000 CUT WILL NOT RESULT INTO IT WILL NOT RESULT IN A SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY BUT RATHER INCREASED EXPENDITURES IN TERMS OF SHELTERS HOUSING AND A LAHSA STATE'S SUBVENTION FUNDS SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

KADEEN BOOTH: MY NAME IS KADEEN BOOTH I'M IN OPPOSITION OF THIS. I QUIT MY JOB AS A TRUCK DRIVER TO BECOME HOMELESS. TO FIGURE OUT HOW CAN WE MAKE IT OUT OF HOMELESS WITH NOTHING? HOW CAN WE COME UP WITH NO MONEY? WHAT IS GOING ON WHEN YOU GO HOMELESS? IT BE THE WORST SITUATION. IT'S NOT A COME UP. AND IT'S STUFF LIKE THIS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT'S THERE, BUT IT'S NOT GETTING TRUE RESULTS. THIS IS THE COUNTRY. THE COUNTRY HAS CODE, UNITED STATES CODE. AS FAR AS THE COUNTRY GOES, UNDER THE UNITED STATES CODE, WE'RE SUPPOSED TO GET HOUSED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF BECOMING HOMELESS. I DON'T KNOW WHY IT'S NOT TRICKLING DOWN TO THE STATES AND TO THE COUNTY, BUT I CAN SHOW Y'ALL THIS STUFF, AND IT'S AGGRAVATING BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GETTING NO WHERE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM THIS PRESENTATION WILL BE RECEIVED.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IF I CAN I JUST WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT I WANT TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE THAT CAME IN TODAY OBVIOUSLY WE HAD AN OVERWHELMING COMMENT FROM OUR RESIDENTS, PROVIDERS, AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK THEM? BUT AGAIN, I WANT TO REITERATE, WE STILL HAVE ANOTHER MEETING THAT'S COMING UP IN FEBRUARY THE 3RD. SO PLEASE SEND YOUR CORRESPONDENCE, YOUR EMAILS TO THE DEPARTMENT OR TO OUR OFFICES, AND WE'LL LOOK AT THOSE. BUT I DO WANT TO SAY THAT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK OUR CEO AND PERHAPS THE ASSISTANCE OF LAIR TO LOOK INTO WHAT WE CAN DO IN SACRAMENTO WITH THE HHAP FUNDING AND ALSO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE HOUSING SERVICES CAN GIVE US IN TERMS OF INFORMATION OF WHAT OUTREACH YOU ARE ALSO DOING. BECAUSE YOU TALKED ABOUT OTHER EFFORTS TO GET OTHER FUNDING, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW WHAT OUTREACH AND WHAT HAS BEEN DONE SO THAT WE CAN EITHER WEIGH IN OR WE CAN HAVE A BETTER SENSE OF WHAT THAT ROADMAP LOOKS LIKE. SO, FOR THE NEXT MEETING, IF WE COULD HAVE THAT INFORMATION, THAT COULD BE HELPFUL. AND OBVIOUSLY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD CAN ALSO WEIGH IN ON THAT. I THINK IT'S REALLY CRITICAL. BUT I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE AGAIN. I KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE WERE ON THE LINE AS WELL AND WE GOT THROUGH MOST OF IT HERE. SO I REALLY AM THANKFUL AND I THINK IT WAS

WORTHWHILE HAVING THIS. I WAS A LITTLE HESITANT AT FIRST, BUT YOU KNOW IT MAKES SENSE AND PEOPLE DO NEED TO HEAR AND IT IS SO CRITICAL. SO YES, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND AND THE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDS THE PROCESS. WE HEARD THE ISSUE TODAY. THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WE WILL THEN VOTE ON IT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AND HOPEFULLY BECAUSE OF THE INPUT THAT WE RECEIVED THERE WILL BE I HOPE SOME MODIFICATIONS AND PERHAPS SOME OTHER ASSISTANCE AND PLANNING AND WHAT THAT MEANS BECAUSE WE HEARD A LOT SOME OF THE THEMES WERE VERY SIMILAR BUT I THINK OUR STAFFS OUR STAFFS CAN ALSO WORK WITH YOU OUR HOMELESS DEPUTIES TO ALSO WEIGH IN AND HELP IN THAT MANNER, BUT I GET IT. WE DON'T HAVE YOU KNOW A POT FULL OF MONEY TO FIGURE EVERYTHING OUT, BUT I DO THINK THERE ARE SOME PRIORITIES THAT WERE MENTIONED THAT I THINK WE NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT SERIOUSLY. OKAY, IS THAT FINE WITH YOU, CEO? GOT IT?

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: I GOT IT, THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND THANK YOU TO THE AUDIENCE FOR YOUR PATIENCE. OKAY. MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING ON. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE NEXT ITEM.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 5, CREATING I.C.E. FREE ZONES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE, OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME AS CO-AUTHOR ON THIS MOTION. SIMPLY PUT, OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS KILLING ITS OWN CITIZENS. LET THAT SINK IN. OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS FREELY, WITHOUT CAUSE, MURDERING ITS OWN CITIZENS IN BROAD DAYLIGHT IN FRONT OF WITNESSES AND CAMERAS. OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS PARTAKING IN ILLEGAL ACTIONS AS WE BEAR WITNESS AND WE PAY THE PRICE. OVER THE COURSE OF THE LAST YEAR AND EVEN JUST THIS MONTH, FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT HAS TOO OFTEN ESCALATED INTO EXTREME VIOLENCE. PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SHOT. PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KILLED. FAMILIES HAVE BEEN SHATTERED. RENEE NICOLE GOOD, A MOTHER OF 3, WAS KILLED BY AN I.C.E. AGENT LAST WEEK WHILE ACTING WITHIN HER FULL RIGHTS AS A LEGAL OBSERVER. DAYS AFTER HER DEATH, LUIS DAVID NICO MONCADA AND YOUR LENIS BETZABETH ZAMBRANO CONTRERAS WERE SHOT DURING ANOTHER I.C.E. OPERATION IN

PORTLAND. HERE IN MY OWN DISTRICT, KEITH PORTER JR. WAS KILLED BY AN OFF-DUTY I.C.E. AGENT ON NEW YEAR'S EVE. IN CHICAGO, MARIMAR MARTINEZ SURVIVED BEING SHOT MULTIPLE TIMES DURING A FEDERAL IMMIGRATION OPERATION AND SILVERIO VILLEGAS GONZALEZ, A 38-YEAR-OLD FATHER, WAS KILLED BY AN I.C.E. OFFICER. 2025 WAS THE DEADLIEST YEAR TO BE IN I.C.E. CUSTODY IN DECADES, THE DEADLIEST SINCE AT LEAST 2004. THAT REALITY IS WEIGHING HEAVILY ON OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY AND ACROSS THIS COUNTRY. WHEN THIS KIND OF VIOLENCE IS HAPPENING, PEOPLE DON'T DISTINGUISH BETWEEN FEDERAL AND LOCAL SPACES. THEY JUST KNOW THAT THEY'RE SCARED, SCARED TO GO TO CLINICS, SCARED TO ENTER PUBLIC BUILDINGS, SCARED TO SEEK HELP. THIS MOTION CREATES I.C.E.-FREE ZONES BY DRAWING A CLEAR BOUNDARY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL NOT ALLOW ITS PROPERTY TO BE USED AS A STAGING GROUND FOR VIOLENCE CAUSED BY THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION. I WANT TO THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION TO CREATE I.C.E.-FREE ZONES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND FOR YOUR BOLD LEADERSHIP IN STANDING WITH AND FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. OUR COUNTY PUBLIC SPACES SHOULD BE PLACES OF CARE AND SAFETY, NOT FEAR. WE MAY NOT CONTROL FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT EVERYWHERE, BUT WE DO CONTROL OUR OWN PROPERTY, AND WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ACT WHEN LIVES ARE AT STAKE. THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR

ALLOWING ME TO JOIN YOU ON THIS. THIS IS SUCH A COMPELLING ISSUE. THERE'S NOT A MOMENT LOST ON ME TURNING ON THE NEWS AND HEARING ABOUT THE LATEST RAID, I.C.E. RAID, OR SHOOTING AND HARASSMENT, AND NOW DEATH AS YOU JUST UNDERSCORED. AND IT IS SOMETHING THAT I THINK ALL OF US NEED TO THINK ABOUT BECAUSE WHATEVER ACTION WE TAKE HERE AS A BOARD, AS WE'VE HEARD BEFORE, IT CAN ALSO TRICKLE DOWN TO OTHER CITY COUNCILS AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES. IT CAN ALSO TAKE ACTION SIMILARLY TO ADOPT SIMILAR MOTIONS TO PROTECT THEIR OWN RESIDENTS IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS. I REALIZE THAT WE'RE TALKING HERE ON THIS MOTION ABOUT OUR PROPERTIES, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR ME, IT'S ABOUT PARKS, OPEN SPACE, PARKING LOTS THAT ARE USED AS STAGING AREAS AND I RECALL, JESUS, IT WAS EARLY LAST YEAR THAT I GOT A LOT OF CALLS BECAUSE PEOPLE THOUGHT THAT SOMEHOW WE HAD ALLOWED ONE OF OUR PARKING LOTS IN CHINATOWN TO BE UTILIZED BY I.C.E., AND THAT WAS, COULDN'T BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. IT TURNS OUT THE PROPERTY WAS PRIVATELY OWNED, BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT THE NEWS REPORTED. SO, WE WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR, EVEN THOUGH IT'S TAKEN US THIS LONG TO GET HERE. SO I THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH. BUT I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR OUR COMMUNITIES TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE SAYING IS YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO COME IN AND HARASS PEOPLE WITHOUT A FEDERAL WARRANT. AND IF YOU USE OUR PROPERTY TO STAGE, THEN YOU NEED TO SHOW US DOCUMENTATION AS TO WHY, IF YOU HAVE A FEDERAL WARRANT TO BACK THAT UP. AND IF NOT, THIS ORDINANCE THAT WE'RE

GOING TO BE BEGINNING THE PROCESS OF ADOPTING WILL HAVE THE FORCE OF THE COUNTY LAW BEHIND US. AND WHAT DOES THAT RESULT IN? POSSIBLY GOING TO COURT, ABSOLUTELY. AND I WOULD HOPE OTHER JURISDICTIONS ARE ALSO DOING THE SAME. I UNDERSTAND MINNESOTA, THEIR AG IS TAKING OTHER FORCEFUL ACTION AS WELL BECAUSE OF THE HEINOUS CRIME THAT JUST WAS COMMITTED THERE AND CONTINUES TO GO ON. WE DON'T WANT TO SEE A RETURN TO THAT HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I THINK PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE SAYING, I THINK THEY UNDERSTAND THAT WHAT WE HAVE TO DO THOUGH IS LOOK AT OUR LEADERS, THOSE OF US THAT ARE ELECTED, AND ASK FOR ASSISTANCE WHERE WE CAN, AND FIT THAT NICHE, AND HELP PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE HERE TO ALSO PROTECT THEM. NOBODY SHOULD FEEL INTIMIDATED, OR THAT THEY COULD LOSE THEIR LOSS OF LIFE JUST BECAUSE THEY TURN AROUND OR MAYBE THEY SHOUTED SOMEONE OR THEY TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF AN I.C.E. AGENT AND THEN THEY ARE BOOKED AND THEY'RE TAKEN INTO DETENTION INTO ANOTHER COUNTY OR ANOTHER STATE. GOD FORBID THAT WE SEE THIS CONTINUED ACTIVITY OCCURRING HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. I AM OUTRAGED BY ALL OF THIS, AND I HEAR IT FROM MY CONSTITUENTS, AND I HEAR IT FROM PEOPLE IN OTHER STATES, AND I HEAR IT MOST POINTEDLY BY FAMILIES WHO ARE TREMBLING, WHO NOW THINK THAT SOMEHOW IF THEY GO OUT AND EVEN IF THEY HAVE PROOF THAT THEY'RE CITIZENS, THAT THAT DOESN'T MATTER BECAUSE NOW THEY'RE NOT LOOKING AT JUST BROWN AND BLACK PEOPLE. THEY'RE LOOKING AT ANYONE THAT MAY IMPEDE OR STAND UP AND VOICE THEIR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS. AND

THAT IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD NOT BE TOLERATED. OUR CONSTITUTION PROTECTS THAT. AND WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT THAT DOCUMENT IS AND HOW WE IMPLEMENT THOSE PROTECTIONS. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD BECAUSE PREVIOUSLY ALL OF US HAVE SPOKEN OR SEEN ABSURDITIES HAPPEN IN OUR OWN DISTRICTS AND THEY CONTINUE. BUT WE NEED TO STAND TALL AND I'M VERY PROUD THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN ABLE TO DO THAT. THANK GOD THAT THIS IS A HAVEN HERE FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT WANT TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS AND THAT WILL PROTECT THEM. SO, THANK YOU. I WILL GO NOW RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR COMMENTS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT'S SO DISTURBING THAT WE'VE COME TO THIS POINT WHERE OUR OWN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ESSENTIALLY INVADED OUR CITIES AND IS ACTIVELY CREATING DANGEROUS SITUATIONS FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND WE CANNOT ALLOW OUR COUNTY PROPERTY TO BE A TOOL FOR THE WORK THEY'RE DOING BECAUSE I BELIEVE THE WORK THEY ARE DOING IS DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE FOR THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA. WHAT THEY'RE DOING IS NOT MAKING US SAFER. IT IS PUTTING RESIDENTS, CITIZENS, CHILDREN IN DANGER. LAST YEAR, I.C.E. TOOK PEOPLE FROM OUR OWN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FRIENDSHIP PARK IN SAN PEDRO AND THREATENED OUR L.A. COUNTY STAFF WITH ARRESTS. AND MOST RECENTLY, I KNOW WE'VE ALL SEEN THE VIDEO OF

AN I.C.E. AGENT MURDERING RENEE NICOLE GOOD, A US CITIZEN WHO HAD JUST DROPPED HER CHILD OFF AT SCHOOL AND WAS EXERCISING HER RIGHT TO OBSERVE I.C.E. THE VERY NEXT DAY I.C.E. AGENTS SHOT 2 PEOPLE IN PORTLAND. SINCE LAST JUNE, THEY'VE SHOT AT OUR OWN L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS, USED UNCALLED FOR AND EXCESSIVE FORCE IN THEIR ARREST AND TERRIFIED OUR COMMUNITIES. AND INSTEAD OF FACING CONSEQUENCES LIKE OTHERS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT WOULD FACE, THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS DEFENDED THESE VIOLENT AGENTS AND PRAISED THEM, MAKING IT MORE LIKELY THAT THIS VIOLENCE WILL GET WORSE. I.C.E. AGENTS, IN MY OPINION, ARE TOO DANGEROUS TO BE ON OUR STREETS. THEY'RE UNDER TRAINED AND THEY'RE ILL EQUIPPED TO INTERACT WITH PUBLIC. OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY GO THROUGH SO MUCH TRAINING, SPECIFICALLY IN TERMS OF HOW THEY INTERACT WITH THE PUBLIC. NOW, HAVE THEY MADE SOME MISTAKES OVER THE YEARS? YES. BUT THEY'RE TRAINED TO DE-ESCALATE A SITUATION. THEY'RE TRAINED TO NOT SHOOT INTO A MOVING VEHICLE, YET NOT STAND IN FRONT OF A MOVING VEHICLE. SO, THESE AGENTS ARE NOT TRAINED WELL TO INTERACT WITH OUR PUBLIC. AND I'VE CALLED ON SECRETARY KRISTI NOEM, WHO I SERVED WITH IN CONGRESS, TO PULL I.C.E. OUT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OUT OF MINNEAPOLIS. FRANKLY, EVERY CITY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THEY REALLY SHOULD NOT BE ON OUR STREETS. AND THIS ORDINANCE THAT WE WILL GET BACK, I THINK WILL MAKE IT CLEAR THAT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OUR PROPERTY IS OFF LIMITS FOR I.C.E. OPERATIONS FOR THE BASIC SAFETY OF THE

RESIDENTS THAT WE REPRESENT. I HOPE THIS SENDS A MESSAGE TO OUR RESIDENTS AND I.C.E. THAT L.A. COUNTY WILL NOT BE USED AS A TOOL OF THIS FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION AND THIS ABUSE OF POWER. AND I HOPE ALL OF OUR CITIES LOOK AT THIS AND DO SIMILAR ORDINANCES. AND I JUST WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY I STAND AND SUPPORT ANOTHER COLLEAGUE THAT I SERVE WITH IN CONGRESS, KEITH ELLISON, WHO IS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MINNESOTA, AND OUR OTHER COLLEAGUE THAT I SERVED WITH, TIM WALZ, WHO IS THE GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA, WHO ARE TAKING THE VERY BRAVE, COURAGEOUS STAND TO SUE I.C.E. FOR THE ILLEGAL AND UNLAWFUL MURDER OF ONE OF THE RESIDENTS OF MINNESOTA. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR BRINGING THIS IMPORTANT MOTION FORWARD. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS AS AGGRESSIVE AS IT CAN POSSIBLY BE PINNED. SO, TO THAT END, I'D LIKE TO ASK COUNCIL HOW THIS ORDINANCE CAN GO BEYOND OUR EXISTING BOARD POLICIES INCLUDING BOTH THE SENSITIVE LOCATIONS POLICY AND THE 2020 PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO SUPPORT IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR FOR THE QUESTION. I

WOULD STATE THAT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT'S BEING REQUESTED HERE BY YOUR BOARD ACTUALLY GOES QUITE FARTHER THAN OUR EXISTING POLICIES. LIKE THE EXISTING POLICY, THE SENSITIVE LOCATIONS POLICY, SLP, THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE APPLIES TO FEDERAL CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ON COUNTY PROPERTY, AS YOU'VE ALL BEEN STATING, ABSENT A JUDICIAL WARRANT AND COURT ORDER. IT WOULD ALSO PROHIBIT COUNTY-OWNED OR CONTROLLED PROPERTY FROM BEING USED FOR NON-COUNTY PURPOSES INCLUDING AS IS STATED IN THE MOTION STAGING PROCESSING OR AN OPERATIONS BASE FOR UNAUTHORIZED CIVIL LAW ENFORCEMENT SO IN THAT REGARD IT'S THE SAME HOWEVER UNLIKE OUR SOCIAL SENSITIVE LOCATIONS POLICY WHICH ONLY APPLIES TO OUR EMPLOYEES AND THE CONDUCT OF OUR EMPLOYEES, THAT'S THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE SENSITIVE LOCATIONS POLICY APPLIES AND INSTRUCTS THEM ON WHAT THEY CAN DO IN ORDER TO PREVENT DISRUPTIVE AND IMPEDING ACTIVITIES SUCH AS STAGING, PROCESSING AND OPERATIONS. THIS ORDINANCE, HOWEVER, THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE, APPLIES TO THE ACTIONS OF OTHERS. SO NOT JUST WHAT OUR EMPLOYEES CAN DO, IT APPLIES TO THE ACTIONS OF OTHERS AND IMPOSES PENALTIES ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, CIVIL LAW ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING FEDERAL OFFICERS, ENGAGED IN CERTAIN SPECIFIED TYPES OF UNAUTHORIZED CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ON COUNTY PROPERTY. SO, IN THAT WAY, IT'S VERY, VERY DIFFERENT FROM WHAT OUR CURRENT POLICY IS AIMED TO ADDRESS.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT CLARIFICATION. AND I THINK TO PERHAPS SUPERVISOR HAHN'S POINT IN TERMS OF OTHER MUNICIPALITIES LOOKING TO THIS AS A MODEL, I DON'T WANT ANYBODY TO THINK, OH, I'VE GOT A POLICY THAT SHOULD COVER IT ALL. THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION BECAUSE PERHAPS OTHERS CAN ALSO WRITE MORE AGGRESSIVE ORDINANCES THAT ARE TRULY DESIGNED TO PROTECT PEOPLE FROM HER OWN GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? YES, WE DO, OKAY, LET'S GO.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA JEREZ AND TERRENCE LITTLE. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 5, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. JAMES MADDOX, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN. JAMES MADDOX.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: AND I AM IN SUPPORT, OH THERE GOES THE TIMER. I AM IN SUPPORT OF THIS ORDINANCE. IF YOU REMEMBER THAT IN PASADENA, I.C.E. OFFICERS PULLED OVER SOME PEOPLE ON THE CORNER OF LOS ROBLES AND ORANGE GROVE. THEY HAD THEIR GUNS OUT. WITH THEIR PATTERN OF THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS, WHAT

HAPPENS NEXT IS THAT SOMEONE IS GOING TO GET KILLED. I DON'T KNOW WHO IT'S GOING TO BE, BUT I THINK THAT THIS ORDINANCE GOES A LONG WAY OF PROVIDING SOME BACKBONE FOR CITIES, PARTICULARLY THE CITY OF PASADENA, TO MOVE FORWARD AND SAY WE ARE GOING TO BE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. HECTOR RAMIREZ, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

HECTOR RAMIREZ: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. I LIVE IN CHATSWORTH IN SUPERVISORY DISTRICT 3 AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN STRONG SUPPORT FOR SUPERVISOR HOVATH'S MOTION TO ESTABLISH I.C.E.-FREE ZONES IN ALL L.A. COUNTY PROPERTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC SPACES, PARKS, CLINICS, AND SERVICE CENTERS MUST REMAIN ACCESSIBLE TO EVERY RESIDENT REGARDLESS OF THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS. THE OCTOBER 2025 RAID AT THE FRIENDSHIP PARK WAS A DIRECT ASSAULT ON OUR COMMUNITY'S WELL-BEING WHEN FEDERAL AGENTS THREATEN COUNTY STAFF AND TURN A PUBLIC NATURE CENTER INTO A STATION SITE FOR ARREST THERE DISMANTLING THE TRUST REQUIRED FOR HEALTHY FUNCTIONING SOCIETY THIS MOTION ENSURES THAT COUNTY ASSETS ARE USED STRICTLY FOR THEIR INTENDED PURPOSES, RECREATIONAL SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION, NON-ASSEMBLING POINTS FOR UNAUTHORIZED CIVIL LAW ENFORCEMENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS IMPORTANT WORK.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: YES, I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT A SPECIFIC COMMENT BEING MADE. IT SEEMS THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH WAS CONDONING SHOOTING GUNS INTO THE AIR. THAT'S GOING TO MAKE 4TH OF JULY VERY INTERESTING. INSTEAD OF A BUYBACK, ARE YOU GOING TO BE GIVING OUT BULLETS? AND 2, ISN'T IT MY UNDERSTANDING THAT LOS ANGELES IS A NATIONAL SPECIAL SECURITY EVENT AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS SOME PURVIEW OF ISSUES UNLESS THE COUNTY IS SAYING GOING TO TELL L.A. 28 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO HANDLE ALL OF THE SECURITY FOR THE OLYMPICS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323357, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: JESUCRISTO LINDO.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: PLEASE BEGIN.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: JESUCRISTO LINDO.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHO'S TALKING, WHO'S SPEAKING?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GO TO THE NEXT CALLER.

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: OKAY. JESUCRISTO LINDO, [SPEAKING SPANISH], I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE, FAMI, I DON'T KNOW HOW I'M GIVING UP. IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: MA'AM THIS IS ON ITEM 5. YOU CAN CALL BACK DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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

CLAUDIA JEREZ: YES, CLAUDIA JEREZ, THE DPSS, DWC. ALL I CAN SAY IS I SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 5. I SUPPORT IT AND WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT IT IS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT BECAUSE IT WILL, I THINK IT'S VERY TRAGIC WHAT HAPPENS. BUT IN THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION, THERE'S NO WINNERS. THE POLICE, WHICH IS I.C.E., THEY GET HARMED TOO. THEY GET INJURED, AND THEN OF COURSE, PEOPLE THAT FIGHT GET INJURED TOO, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT I SUPPORT IT. IT REDUCES TRAGIC EVENTS FOR THEM

TO OCCUR. IT PREVENTS FOR TRAGIC EVENTS TO OCCUR. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY WELL THEN. MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 25, ANNUAL ABATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS VEGETATION, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON THE TELEPHONE. ANTHONY MARRONE, FIRE CHIEF, AND RON DURBIN, CHIEF FORESTRY DIVISION FIRE DEPARTMENT ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU'RE ON.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU. I'LL MAKE THIS BRIEF. THANK YOU, FIRE CHIEF MARRONE FOR BEING HERE. WHEN WE APPROVED THE LOCAL AREA RESPONSIBILITY MAPS LAST JULY, I ASKED ABOUT EDUCATION EFFORTS IN THE NEWLY DESIGNATED AREAS. THERE HAVE

BEEN OVER 25,000 PROPERTIES IN MY DISTRICT THAT ARE CURRENTLY FALLING UNDER THIS GUIDELINE. I THINK I HAVE THE GREATEST AMOUNT, ALTHOUGH 25, WHETHER OR 4,000, IT'S STILL HOMEOWNERS THAT NEED TO BE AWARE OF WHAT'S GOING ON. AND YOU MENTIONED A ROBUST EDUCATION CAMPAIGN. CAN YOU SHARE WHAT HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED SO FAR?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YES, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. SO, THE DEPARTMENT DID HIRE A PUBLIC INFORMATION AND PUBLIC EDUCATION OFFICER TO ACTUALLY CARRY OUT OUR WORK PLAN TO TRY TO LET THE RESIDENTS KNOW WHAT THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS WERE GOING TO BE, BOTH FOR DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND ALSO TO EDUCATE THEM REGARDING HOME HARDENING. THE DEPARTMENT HAS UPDATED ITS DEFENSIBLE SPACE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM. THAT WENT LIVE TODAY ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE. WE'VE ALSO UPDATED THE READY, SET, GO WILDFIRE ACTION PROGRAM, A PLAN TO PUT MORE INFORMATION REGARDING DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND ALSO FOR HOME HARDENING. WE ARE GOING TO BE HAVING SOME HOME HARDENING FREE INSPECTIONS NOT ONLY FOR THE TOPANGA CANYON AREA IN SD3 BUT ALSO FOR THE ALTADENA AREA THAT WAS AFFECTED BY THE EATON WILDFIRE.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: YEAH, THAT WAS MY QUESTION. ARE YOU GOING TO BE, EVEN THOUGH THE DEVASTATION IN ALTADENA, PEOPLE AS THEY REBUILD NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH THEIR

REBUILDING EFFORTS. SO DO YOU KNOW WHEN THAT'S GOING TO BE ROLLED OUT?

ANTHONY MARRONE: RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE THAT PLAN FOR APRIL 1ST TO START. WE WANT TO HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THE RESIDENTS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ALL IN THE FIGHT TOGETHER TO PROTECT HOMES FROM WILDFIRE. SO THAT'S GOING TO BE INCLUDING DEFENSIBLE SPACE, HOME HARDENING, AND BETTER MANAGEMENT OF THE FOREST AND FUELS ADJACENT TO COMMUNITIES.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THESE INSPECTIONS ONLY APPLY TO VERY HIGH FIRE ZONES THAT ARE IN THE LRAS. CAN YOU SHARE THE REASONING BEHIND NOT EXPANDING TO THE OTHER TWO ZONES?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YEAH, THAT'S CORRECT. SO, THERE'S TWO TYPES OF MAPS THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVED. THERE'S THE STATE RESPONSIBILITY AREA MAPS THAT FOR THE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES ARE ALL THREE ZONES, THE VERY HIGH, THE HIGH AND THE MODERATE. FOR THE LRA, THE LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AREA MAPS, IT'S ONLY THE VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES THAT WE INSPECT, AND THAT'S BECAUSE WE FOLLOW THE STATE FIRE CODE. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ONLY INSPECTS THE VERY HIGH FOR THE LRA, AND THEN WE MIRROR THAT WITH OUR FIRE CODE TITLE 32.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO AND ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT WE GET AND YOU KNOW IT'S KIND OF LIKE WHEN I TALK TO RESTAURANTS THEY DON'T WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THEY ONLY HAVE AN INSPECTOR COME ONCE WHEN THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO COME THREE TIMES BECAUSE COMING ONCE IS ENOUGH BUT WE'VE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS ABOUT THE QUALITY OF INSPECTIONS PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE TIME IT TAKES TO COMPLETE THEM. CAN YOU ELABORATE OR RESPOND TO THEIR CONCERNS AND IS THERE ANY EFFORT TO REVISIT THE $151 FEE AMOUNT?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YEAH, NO WE'VE HEARD OUR RESIDENTS AND WE KNOW THAT THEY WANT A MORE THOROUGH, MAYBE HAVE THE INSPECTOR TO BE THERE FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME. FOR THE 15 MINUTES ON AVERAGE THAT WE'RE AT EVERY PARCEL, WE DO CHARGE THE $151. THAT $151 COVERS ALL OF THE PRE-WORK THAT'S DONE BEFORE WE SHOW UP FOR THE INSPECTION, THE INSPECTION ITSELF, AND A FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION. SO, THERE'S REALLY 3 COMPONENTS TO THAT $151 CHARGE. WE HAVE NOT CONSIDERED INCREASING THAT CHARGE FOR RESIDENTS. I THINK THAT WE WILL LOOK AT IT IN 2027, SO WE CAN BE ON A THREE-YEAR CYCLE TO INCREASE FEES. WE DID GO BACK TO THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER IN 2024. THEY LOOKED AT THE FEE. THEY THOUGHT THAT THE FEE COULD GO FROM 151 TO 165. HOWEVER, WE'RE HOLDING BACK ON THE INCREASE OF THAT FEE AND THEN TO GIVE A BETTER INSPECTION WE'RE ACTUALLY COMING UP WITH A PLAN TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL WE HAVE IN OUR FORESTRY DIVISION TO HIRE PLANT, DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTORS THAT WOULD

DO THIS FULL-TIME YEAR ROUND, SO WE COULD GET A BETTER INSPECTION DONE RATHER THAN RELYING ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD FIRE STATION PERSONNEL.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO NOT TO CONFUSE BECAUSE I GET CONFUSED BUT THE ZONE ZERO IS NOT GOING TO BE ENFORCED THIS YEAR. DO WE HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON WHEN THOSE GUIDELINES WILL BE RELEASED AND ADDITIONALLY HOW ARE YOU PREPARING TO EDUCATE RESIDENTS ONCE THE GUIDELINES BECOME AVAILABLE AND HOW DOES THAT IMPACT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YEAH, ZONE ZERO ALSO KNOWN AS AB 3074 THAT WAS BEGUN IN 2021 UNFORTUNATELY I BELIEVE THAT THE NEXT DUE DATE, WHICH IS MARCH OF 26, IS GOING TO SLIP. THE BOARD OF FORESTRY HAS STILL BEEN UNABLE IN THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS TO COME UP WITH THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS. WHEN IT IS ENACTED BY THE STATE, IT WILL REQUIRE ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION TO IMMEDIATELY COMPLY WITH ZONE ZERO. NO COMBUSTIBLES WITHIN 5 FEET OF A STRUCTURE. AND THEN FOR EXISTING NONCONFORMING RESIDENTS, THEY'LL HAVE THREE YEARS TO COMPLY WITH ZONE ZERO. BUT AFTER THE EATON AND THE PALISADES WILDFIRES, I AM A FIRM BELIEVER THAT ZONE ZERO WILL PROTECT HOUSES FROM BURNING DOWN EVEN WHEN WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES TO HAVE A FIRE TRUCK AT A PERSON'S PROPERTY. I BELIEVE ZONE ZERO IS BASED IN SCIENCE AND THAT THE STATE HAS THE DATA TO PROVE THAT ZONE ZERO WILL

PROTECT STRUCTURES FROM BURNING DOWN AND I THINK THAT WILL ALSO PROTECT LIVES FROM BEING LOST.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO, WHEN YOU DO YOUR EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT WHETHER IT BE IN ALTADENA, TOPANGA, WHEREVER THE IMPACT, ARE YOU EDUCATING ABOUT ZONE ZERO SAYING THAT WHILE IT'S NOT ENFORCED, HERE'S WHAT'S COMING INTO PLAY AND HERE'S WHY SO THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND.

ANTHONY MARRONE: YES, ABSOLUTELY. SO, WE NOT ONLY TALK ABOUT DEFENSIBLE SPACE, WE TALK ABOUT HOME HARDENING, BUT THEN WE TALK ABOUT AB 3074 ZONE ZERO, NOT HAVING COMBUSTIBLES WITHIN 5 FEET OF YOUR STRUCTURE AND HOW THAT'S GOING TO PREVENT YOUR STRUCTURE FROM BURNING DOWN WHEN WE HAVE A WILDFIRE INITIATED COMMUNITY CONFLAGRATION.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO, YOU'VE GOT THE READY, SET, GO MANUAL. ARE YOU PUTTING TOGETHER SOME SORT OF MANUAL FOR THIS TYPE, I MEAN FOR ZONE ZERO, EVEN THOUGH IT'S, I MEAN, I KNOW YOU'RE WAITING FOR THE STATE, BUT IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE WE ALREADY KIND OF KNOW WHAT DIRECTION WE WANT TO GO.

ANTHONY MARRONE: WE ARE INCORPORATING COMPONENTS OF ZONE ZERO IN OUR DEFENSIBLE SPACE PLAN AND OUR READY-SET-GO PLAN. WE WANT TO EDUCATE OUR RESIDENTS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE ALL

OF THE TOOLS NECESSARY TO PREVENT THEIR HOMES FROM BEING CONSUMED BY FIRE AND ALSO TO PROTECT THEIR LIVES.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: YEAH AND WE LET US KNOW BECAUSE I KNOW THAT I WOULD LIKE TO AT LEAST PUT THAT ON MY WEBSITE AND ALSO WHEN I'M OUT TALKING TO RESIDENTS, PROVIDE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY. AND ARE YOU COORDINATING WITH REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS IN TERMS OF EDUCATING THEM ABOUT LETTING PEOPLE FILING FOR PERMITS KNOW.

ANTHONY MARRONE: NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF AT THIS POINT BUT I COULD CERTAINLY MAKE THAT AN ACTION ITEM FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO NOT ONLY WORK WITH THE DIFFERENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS BUT ALSO DPW AND REGIONAL PLANNING.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AGAIN, KNOWING THAT IT'S NOT A MANDATE BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT WHEN I TALK TO PEOPLE THAT ARE REBUILDING RIGHT NOW, EVERYBODY IS DOING IT IN A WAY THAT IS HARDENING THEIR HOME. AND I THINK IT'D BE HELPFUL FOR THE RESIDENTS TO KNOW WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON, EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT MANDATED, THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM TO BE PROACTIVE ON THAT. SO, I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT.

ANTHONY MARRONE: OKAY, WE'LL CERTAINLY DO THAT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THE LAST QUESTION I HAVE IS, ARE WE CONTINUING TO MAKE EXCEPTIONS FOR RESIDENTS IN BURN SCAR AREAS AS WE DID LAST YEAR? AND IF SO, WHAT ARE THE PARAMETERS FOR THE EXEMPTIONS?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YES, SO FOR THE DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS, WE DO NOT DO A DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION ON A HOME THAT WAS DAMAGED DURING THE JANUARY WILDFIRES, 25% OR GREATER FOR THAT HOME. THE ASSESSOR HAS TAKEN THEM OFF THE LIST. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO SHOW UP ON OUR DECLARATION LIST. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET A DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE CHARGED FOR THE INSPECTION. HOWEVER, ALL THE HOMES THAT WERE STANDING IN THE BURN SCAR AREAS FOR BOTH THE PALISADES AND THE EATON FIRES ARE GOING TO GET MAILED A POSTCARD THAT HAS A QR CODE THAT CAN BRING THEM TO OUR WEBSITE TO GIVE THEM THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION, ALTHOUGH THEY WILL NOT BE CHARGED. IF SOMEONE IS ERRONEOUSLY CHARGED, THEY JUST HAVE TO REACH OUT TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR REACH OUT TO THEIR SUPERVISOR AND WE'LL GET THAT FIXED IMMEDIATELY.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: I KNOW I SAID LAST QUESTION, BUT I JUST LOOKED AT MY SHEET WITH FACTS. HOW MANY FINES HAVE YOU ISSUED BASED ON YOUR INSPECTIONS? I MEAN, ARE PEOPLE COMING INTO COMPLIANCE? ARE THEY WORKING? BECAUSE, IT SAYS HERE THE FINES FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION IS NOTHING, BUT AFTER TWO INSPECTIONS,

SECOND VIOLATION IS $500.

ANTHONY MARRONE: OKAY, SO CHIEF DURBIN JUST ADVISED ME THAT IT'S UNDER 100. SO, OF THE 131,000 INSPECTIONS, 128,000 INSPECTIONS LAST YEAR IN 2025, LESS THAN 100 PEOPLE DON'T COMPLY AFTER THAT INITIAL INSPECTION AND THE FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION. SO, WE'RE GETTING VERY GOOD COMPLIANCE.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND JUST IS NOT COMPLYING OUT OF LACK OF RESOURCES TO COMPLY?

ANTHONY MARRONE: IT CAN BE OUT OF LACK, FROM A LACK OF RESOURCES. AND AS WE RECALL LAST YEAR, THE BOARD DID ASK ME TO REACH OUT AND TRY TO FIND NGOS AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS THAT WOULD HELP PEOPLE WHO COULDN'T CLEAR THEIR LAND. SO, WE DID MAKE CONTACT WITH TEAM RUBICON. WE ALSO MADE CONTACT WITH CORE. AND THEN THERE ARE CERTAIN CHURCHES IN DIFFERENT AREAS THAT ARE WILLING TO HAVE SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO ATTEND THAT CHURCH GO OUT AND HELP PEOPLE CLEAN WHO FOR SOME REASON CAN'T GET IT DONE THEMSELVES OR CAN'T AFFORD IT. THANK YOU.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. IT'S GREAT. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR HOLDING THIS. I SHARE YOUR CONCERNS FOR OBVIOUS REASONS AND I WANT TO THANK OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. I KNOW YOU DON'T ALWAYS GET THE SPOTLIGHT, BUT I KNOW THIS ISSUE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO PEOPLE. AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK IN CONNECTING WITH OUR COMMUNITIES ON THE DEFENSIBLE SPACE REQUIREMENTS. AS WE ARE MARKING THE ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC FIRES THAT WE EXPERIENCED, IT'S IMPORTANT OUR COMMUNITIES ACTIVELY ENGAGE IN MAINTAINING DEFENSIBLE SPACE AROUND THEIR HOMES, MINIMIZING THE BUILDUP OF BRUSH AND DEBRIS THAT CAN CAUSE A LARGE-SCALE BRUSH FIRE. THERE ARE OVER 3,000 HOMES THAT WILL BE GETTING DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT THIS NEXT YEAR WITH THE NEW STATE HIGH FIRE SEVERITY MAPS. SO, AND I DON'T KNOW IF I MISSED THIS IN SUPERVISOR BARGER'S QUESTION, WILL THERE BE A GRADUAL INCREASE IN COST FOR THESE HOMEOWNERS?

ANTHONY MARRONE: THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. IN THE BEGINNING, THREE YEARS AGO, THERE WAS A TIERED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. SO, WE CHARGED $50 THE FIRST YEAR, $100 THE SECOND YEAR, AND THEN $151 THE THIRD YEAR. WE'RE NOW IN THE THIRD YEAR. BUT LIKE I SAID, WHAT SUPERVISOR BARGER HAD THE QUESTION ABOUT ARE YOU CONSIDERING INCREASING THE FEES, WE DID GO BACK TO THE

AUDITOR CONTROLLER, THEY SAID WE COULD RAISE IT TO $165 ON THE TIME STUDY BUT I THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR US FOLLOWING THIS VERY TRAGIC JANUARY WILDFIRES TO INCREASE OUR INSPECTION FEE. I'D RATHER INCREASE IT IN 2027, WHICH WOULD BE A THREE-YEAR CYCLE.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: SO, WE'RE GOING TO KEEP THAT FEE, AND THAT WAS DETERMINED, AS YOU SAID, BY THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER. CORRECT, IT WAS VALIDATED BY THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER. AND WHO FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PERFORMS THE DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS?

ANTHONY MARRONE: RIGHT NOW, IT'S A COMBINATION NOT ONLY OF THE LOCAL FIRE STATION PERSONNEL BUT PERSONNEL FROM CHIEF DURBIN'S DIVISION THE FORESTRY DIVISION WHO DO THAT. WE DO HAVE A LONG-TERM PLAN TO HAVE PROFESSIONAL FORESTRY TECHNICIANS OR FORESTRY ASSISTANTS PERFORM THOSE DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS AND ALSO DOING THE HOME HARDENING IN ZONE ZERO EDUCATION YEAR ROUND. RIGHT NOW, WE ONLY DO IT ONCE A YEAR. WE BEGIN IN APRIL, MAY, AND JUNE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US DOING DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS AND HOME HARDENING EDUCATION YEAR-ROUND FOR OUR RESIDENTS.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: SO LONG TERM YOU DON'T SEE THIS LIVING IN THE OPERATIONS DIVISION?

ANTHONY MARRONE: THAT'S CORRECT.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: OKAY. ON AVERAGE HOW LONG IS EACH DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT PERFORMS? LIKE HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

ANTHONY MARRONE: 15 MINUTES AND THAT'S FOR THE PRE-WORK THAT'S DONE WITH GETTING THE DECK LIST, FIGURING OUT WHAT PROPERTIES YOU'RE GOING TO VISIT THAT DAY, AND THEN ACTUALLY GOING OUT AND DOING IT, AND IT ALSO TAKES INTO ACCOUNT A FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION IF NEEDED. THAT WAS THE 15 MINUTES, $151, APPROXIMATELY $50 AN HOUR FOR THE INSPECTOR.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: GOT IT. OKAY. WELL, THAT'S IT FOR ME. AND I'LL TURN IT BACK TO OUR CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, HILDA L. SOLIS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THIS. IT'S ALL SO IMPORTANT. I THINK WHAT'S UNIQUE THIS YEAR IS THERE'S SO MANY PARCELS THAT HAVE BEEN ADDED. I HEARD SUPERVISOR HORVATH SAY 3,000 IN YOUR DISTRICT. I DON'T KNOW. 25,000?

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: BUT I THINK OF THAT, I THINK 15,000 IS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: DO WE KNOW HOW MANY NEW PARCELS OVERALL HAVE BEEN ADDED THIS YEAR?

ANTHONY MARRONE: AFTER THE STATE UPDATED THE LRA MAPS, WE DID HAVE NEW PARCELS ADDED, APPROXIMATELY 33,000 NEW PARCELS. HOWEVER, WHAT HAPPENED WAS 30,000 PARCELS WERE TAKEN OFF THE LIST. IN SD4 ALONE, 15,000 PARCELS WERE REMOVED FROM PALACE VERDE'S PENINSULA. SO, WE HAD A NET DECREASE OF 30, BUT WE HAD AN INCREASE OF 33,000. SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE 3,000 MORE INSPECTIONS THIS YEAR THAN COMPARED TO LAST YEAR.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: GOT IT, GOT IT, LIKE I THINK EVEN IN MY DISTRICT, 534 PARCELS HAVE BEEN ADDED. I THINK MY POINT FOR THIS IS JUST TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PROCESS, THAT'S A LOT OF FOLKS WHO HAVE NOT GONE THROUGH THIS PROCESS PREVIOUSLY

ANTHONY MARRONE: CORRECT.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AND MAY NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT I THINK I WAS STRUCK BY I FELT IT WAS TOO LITTLE NUMBER OF HEARINGS IT LOOKED LIKE THERE WAS SEVEN HEARINGS.

ANTHONY MARRONE: CORRECT.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: SO, I'M WONDERING, AND SO PEOPLE GET A POSTCARD IN THE MAIL THAT SAY YOUR PARCEL HAS BEEN ADDED AND HERE'S A LIST OF THE HEARINGS. IT JUST SEEMS LIKE FOR THAT AMOUNT OF NEW PARCELS, I'M WONDERING IF YOU'D GIVEN ANY MORE THOUGHT TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF THE HEARINGS. AND THEN ALSO EDUCATE ME AND ANYBODY WHO'S LISTENING TO PROTEST, IF YOU THINK MAYBE YOUR PARCEL WAS ADDED ERRONEOUSLY, IS THAT PROCESS TO PROTEST ONLY DONE AT A HEARING?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YES, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU CAN ONLY PROTEST YOUR ADDITION TO THE DECLARATION LIST.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: RIGHT.

ANTHONY MARRONE: AT 1 OF THE 7, ALTHOUGH I WILL DEFER TO AGRICULTURE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES OR CHIEF DURBIN IF THEY HAVE BETTER INFORMATION THAN I DO. WE HAD SEVEN HEARINGS LAST YEAR AND WE STILL HAVE SEVEN HEARINGS THIS YEAR. WHAT I'M HEARING IS THAT BECAUSE WE HAVE AN INCREASE, WE SHOULD HAVE INCREASED THE NUMBER AND LOCATION --

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THAT’S WHAT I THINK.

ANTHONY MARRONE: OF HEARINGS. AND WE COULD CERTAINLY LOOK INTO THAT, BUT I DIDN'T KNOW IF AG WEIGHTS AND MEASURES WANTS TO ADD TO THIS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THAT'S WHAT I THINK.

MAXIMILIANO REGIS: HI, MY NAME IS MAX REGIS AND I'M THE CHIEF DEPUTY FOR AGRICULTURE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. AND WE DO HAVE OPEN OFFICE HOURS AND PEOPLE CAN COME VISIT US AT ANY TIME OR CALL US AT ANY TIME. SO, IN ADDITION TO THESE HEARINGS, WE'RE ACCESSIBLE.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: BUT I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND TO PROTEST, CAN YOU DO THAT DURING OFFICE HOURS OR DO YOU HAVE TO DO IT AT A HEARING?

MAXIMILIANO REGIS: IT CAN BE DONE DURING OFFICE HOURS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: OKAY, SO IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING, MY STAFF'S UNDERSTANDING THAT PROTEST COULD ONLY HAPPEN AT A HEARING.

ADRIAN ZAVALA: YES, WE DO HAVE, I'M SORRY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR ADRIAN ZAVALA WITH L.A. COUNTY AD COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. YES, TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION, WE DO HAVE THESE REFEREE HEARINGS AVAILABLE TO ANYONE THAT WANTS TO COME INTO OUR OFFICE TO ASK

ABOUT THEIR QUALIFICATIONS TO BE ENROLLED IN OUR PROGRAM.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: WHAT ABOUT TO PROTEST?

ANTHONY MARRONE: THEY'RE ALWAYS OPEN. THEY CAN COME IN AT ANY TIME DURING OUR BUSINESS HOURS, MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY. SOME PEOPLE WORK FRIDAYS. WE'RE OPEN. THEY CAN THEY CALL. THEY CAN COME IN IN PERSON.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: CAN THEY FORMALLY PROTEST?

ADRIAN ZAVALA: THEY CAN, YES, YES, THEY CAN.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: OKAY, THAT WAS NOT MADE CLEAR IN THE REPORTS THAT WE READ. SO GOOD TO KNOW. BUT I STILL WOULD THINK YOU MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF HEARINGS. AND THEN, AFTER, CHIEF, AFTER THE DEPARTMENT GOES OUT TO INSPECT, THEN RESIDENTS HAVE 30 DAYS TO CLEAR THEIR PROPERTIES AND THEN WHAT HAPPENS IF THEY DON'T COMPLY?

ANTHONY MARRONE: YEAH, THAT'S CORRECT. SO, AFTER THE INITIAL INSPECTION, IF WE IDENTIFY A VIOLATION, WE WRITE THE HOMEOWNER UP BECAUSE IT CAN'T BE FIXED RIGHT THEN. THEY GET 30 DAYS WITH WHICH TO REMEDIATE THAT, AND THEN WE DO THE FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION. IF THEY STILL HAVEN'T COMPLIED, THEN WE HAVE THE

ABILITY TO WRITE THEM A CITATION.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: RIGHT.

ANTHONY MARRONE: IF IT'S IN PROGRESS, WE LIKE TO WORK WITH THE HOMEOWNER TO GIVE THEM SOME ADDITIONAL TIME. IF IT'S AN IN PROGRESS JOB THAT THEY'RE WORKING ON, WE DON'T GO STRAIGHT TO FINDING THEM OR WRITING THEM UP A FINAL NOTICE.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: BUT DO WE CLEAR THE PROPERTY AND THEN BUILD THEM? IS THAT PART OF THIS PROCESS? IF THEY DON'T COMPLY?

ANTHONY MARRONE: WE TURN IT OVER TO AG WEIGHTS AND MEASURES FOR THE CLEARANCE AND THEY HAVE A LIST OF VENDORS. I COULD LET THEM TALK ABOUT THE PROCESS ON HOW THEY GO ABOUT ACTUALLY GETTING THE BRUSH CLEARANCE DONE. BECAUSE REMEMBER, IT'S, YOU KNOW, YOU'RE ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE REASONABLE FIRE SAFETY ON YOUR PROPERTY, WE LEARNED DURING THE EATON AND PALISADES FIRE THAT THE FIRE CAN GO FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR TO YOUR HOUSE. SO, IT'S ACTUALLY, IT'S DANGEROUS FOR THE COMMUNITY TO HAVE PARCELS THAT DON'T HAVE THE PROPER CLEARANCE BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT THAT HOME TO CATCH FIRE AND THEN BECOME AN EMBER GENERATOR. SO, YOU KNOW WE HAVE TO DO IT FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT CHIEF AND OBVIOUSLY THE GOAL OF ALL THIS IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THIS DEFENSIBLE SPACE AROUND THESE HIGH FIRES.

ANTHONY MARRONE: ONLY FOR YOUR HOUSE AND YOUR LIFE, BUT FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE AND THEIR LIFE.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: IS THERE A PROCESS FOR A NEIGHBOR WHO FEELS LIKE THEIR NEIGHBOR HAS DEBRIS PILED UP NEXT TO A COMMON FENCE TO IN ANY WAY, WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO ALERT SOMEBODY TO THAT? BECAUSE THEY WOULDN'T NECESSARILY HAVE BEEN IN THIS HIGH FIRE ZONE, BUT IT CLEARLY COULD BE A POTENTIAL PROBLEM. IS THERE, WHAT'S THE PATHWAY FOR THAT?

ANTHONY MARRONE: THERE IS A PROCESS, AND THEY REACH OUT TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY, OR THEY REACH OUT TO AGRICULTURE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. ON OUR WEBSITE, WE HAVE A LOGIC COMPLAINT OR GIVE US A COMPLIMENT BUTTON THAT YOU CAN ACTUALLY, WE GET MANY EMAILS FROM THE RESIDENTS AND CONSTITUENTS OUT THERE WHO WANT US TO GO AND INSPECT BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE THEIR NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE IS AT RISK, AND THAT PUTS THEIR HOUSE AT RISK.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: EXACTLY, I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE'RE THINKING. WELL, EVERYBODY IS ON HIGH ALERT AFTER LAST YEAR. I MEAN, THE

WHOLE COUNTY IS. SO, THIS IS POSITIVE, THIS IS RIGHT. WE JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THE PUBLIC HAS ADEQUATE INFORMATION, ESPECIALLY FOR THE NEW ONES WHO HAVE NEVER GONE THROUGH THIS PROCESS BEFORE. SO, THANK YOU. I DID LIKE CHIEF, YOU TALKING ABOUT THE DIFFERENT NONPROFITS, EVEN CHURCHES, WHO WOULD BE DEFINITELY A RESOURCE FOR PEOPLE. AND I'M HOPING THAT THAT INFORMATION CAN GET OUT EITHER THROUGH THE HEARINGS OR SOME OTHER WAY.

ANTHONY MARRONE: IT'S TRANSMITTED TO OUR FORESTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING THE FOLLOW-UP INSPECTION ARE FROM OUR FORESTRY DIVISION AND IF WE IDENTIFY A RESIDENT THAT DOESN'T HAVE THE MONEY OR THE MEANS TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WE WANT TO WORK WITH THEM RATHER THAN FIND THEM.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: OF COURSE.

ANTHONY MARRONE: YOU KNOW, WE JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET REASONABLE FIRE SAFETY AT THAT PROPERTY BECAUSE IT DOES AFFECT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: ABSOLUTELY. OKAY, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO RAISE SOMETHING. JUST BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FIRES AND AS A

HOMEOWNER WHO DOESN'T LIVE TOO CLOSE TO THE FOOTHILLS ACTUALLY HAD HER HOME INSURANCE DROPPED TWO YEARS AGO AND I LIVE IN YOU KNOW WHERE I LIVE BUT RECENTLY I ALSO GOT NOTICED ABOUT BEING DROPPED AGAIN BECAUSE OF FLOOD INSURANCE AND SO I KNOW DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, I THINK, IS WORKING ON SOMETHING, BUT THAT'S GOING TO BE THE OTHER SHOE THAT DROPS HERE. AND I JUST KEEP THINKING, WHAT CAN WE DO TO GET AHEAD OF ALL OF THIS? AND IF WE HAVE OUR STAFFS WORK, AND I'M NOT SURE AT WHAT POINT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT INVOLVES YOURSELVES, BUT I'M PRETTY SURE YOU GET INVOLVED WHEN THERE'S EVACUATIONS AND THERE IS COSTS AND ALL OF THAT. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S, IF YOU WANT TO, IF THERE'S ANY COMMENT ON THAT OR NO.

ANTHONY MARRONE: WELL NO, I THINK YOU KNOW INSURABILITY IS SUCH A HUGE TOPIC RIGHT NOW DURING THE REBUILDING AND THE RECOVERY PROCESS. AND IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT WILDFIRE. LIKE YOU SAID, MADAM CHAIR, IT'S ALSO ABOUT FLOODS. AND WE HAVE THIS WEATHER WHIPLASH WHERE WE GO FROM VERY DRY PERIODS THAT ARE VERY WARM TO VERY WET PERIODS THAT WE GET WAY OVER THE NORMAL AMOUNT OF RAINFALL. TO ME, IT'S JUST A CLEAR SIGN THAT OUR CLIMATE IS CHANGING AND THAT WE HAVE TO BE PREPARED IN L.A. COUNTY FOR ALL SORTS OF DISASTERS, NOT JUST WILDFIRE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT, AND LIKEWISE, REINING IN THE INSURERS TO BE MORE EQUITABLE, BECAUSE WE KEEP HEARING THAT

OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THE STATE PLAN DOESN'T WORK, AND THE FAIR PLAN, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THAT COVERS FLOOD INSURANCE, BUT I WOULDN'T DOUBT IT. ANYWAY, WE'LL MOVE ON. THAT'LL BE ANOTHER TIME. THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S GO TO THE PUBLIC IF THERE'S ANY COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM. WE WILL GO TO REMOTE SPEAKERS. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 25. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THERE ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ITEM 25 IS BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY WELL, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 53 BE EXTENDING PRICE GOUGING PROTECTIONS FOR HOUSING WHICH WAS HELD BY

SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE, IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: I'M GOING TO MAKE THIS REALLY, REALLY QUICK BECAUSE THIS IS JUST MORE OF A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. I'VE TALKED TO THE AUTHOR ABOUT IT THAT I BELIEVE WILL STRENGTHEN OUR RESPONSE AND ENSURE WE ARE MAKING INFORMED DATA DRIVEN DECISIONS AS WE CONTINUE TO EXAMINE THESE PRICE GOUGING EXTENSIONS. SO, MY AMENDMENT IS ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY. IT IS, I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND OTHER RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT BACK IN WRITING AND PRESENT TO THE BOARD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2026, ON THE FOLLOWING. A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF PRICE GOUGING PROTECTIONS CURRENTLY IN EFFECT WITHIN L.A. COUNTY UNDER CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE SECTION 396 AND COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 8.09, INCLUDING THEIR SCOPE LIMITATIONS AND EFFECTIVENESS, ENFORCEMENT DATA AND COMPLIANCE METRICS, INCLUDING TOTAL NUMBER OF PRICE GOUGING COMPLAINTS RECEIVED SINCE THE JANUARY 7, 2025 EMERGENCY DECLARATION BROKEN DOWN BY CATEGORY NUMBER OF VERIFIED VIOLATIONS RESTITUTION AMOUNTS

RECOVERED FOR IMPACTED RESIDENTS AND ONGOING INVESTIGATIONS AND CASES ON LEGAL ACTIONS AND PROCEEDINGS RELATED TO PRICE GOUGING ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING CIVIL FILINGS, CRIMINAL REFERRALS AND OUTCOMES, AND LITERATURE REVIEW AND COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS EXAMINING BEST PRACTICES FOR OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN DISASTER-RELATED PRICE GOUGING ENFORCEMENT, ACADEMIC RESEARCH ON THE EFFICACY OF PRICE GOUGING PROTECTIONS DURING EXTENDED EMERGENCIES AND LESSONS LEARNED FROM PREVIOUS DISASTER RESPONSES. ALSO, CASE STUDIES OF SIGNIFICANT PRICE GOUGING CASES DOCUMENTED BY THE COUNTY. ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS IN FIRE IMPACTED AREAS AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO PRICE GOUGING. OVERVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANGELS REPORT RELEASED IN JANUARY 2026 TITLED COMMUNITY VOICES, L.A. FIRE RECOVERY REPORT, INCLUDING THE SURVEY OF 2,443 ADULTS FROM THE FIRE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES CONDUCTED BETWEEN NOVEMBER 18TH AND DECEMBER 2, 2025, AND AN OVERVIEW OF PROTECTIONS AVAILABLE TO SUPERVISORS SHOULD THE PRICE GOUGING ORDINANCE NOT BE EXTENDED. SO THAT IS WHAT I WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: OF COURSE, YEAH. IF IT'S OKAY, MADAM CHAIR, IS THE RESPONSE? THAT'S IT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE AMENDMENT. I WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A DISCUSSION ON PRICE GOUGING PROTECTIONS, THE BENEFITS THEY PROVIDE, THE PROTECTIONS GO BEYOND HOUSING COSTS AND INCLUDE GOODS AND SERVICES. SO, WE'VE HEARD CONCERNS EXPRESSED AROUND THAT.

WE'VE ALSO HEARD CONCERNS EXPRESSED AROUND SORT OF BLANKET PROTECTION AND WHAT SOME OF THOSE IMPACTS HAVE BEEN. SO, AS WE'VE JUST MARKED ONE YEAR SINCE THE FIRES, FIRE IMPACTED HOUSEHOLDS ARE STILL STRUGGLING. AND I'M TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE CENTERING THEIR NEEDS IN THESE POLICIES AND I KNOW THE DEPARTMENT OF ANGELS JUST RELEASED THEIR LATEST SURVEY RESULTS AND APPROXIMATELY 7 IN 10 RESIDENTS IN PALISADES AND EATON FIRE AREAS HAVE NOT RETURNED TO THEIR HOMES. SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE DISCUSSION AND THANK YOU FOR THE AMENDMENT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU FOR THAT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT, LET'S GO TO ANY PUBLIC COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JOSEPH RAMOS. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 53B IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 53B IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

JOSEPH RAMOS: JOSEPH RAMOS FOR AGLA. ITEM 53B PROPOSED YET

ANOTHER EXTENSION OF SO-CALLED EMERGENCY ANTI-PRICE GOUGING RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN IN PLACE FOR OVER AN ENTIRE YEAR EMERGENCY POWERS ARE NEVER INTENDED TO BE USED INDEFINITELY AND CONTINUING TO DO SO MAKES A MOCKERY OF REAL EMERGENCIES THESE RESTRICTIONS SEVERELY HARM MOM AND POP RENTAL HOUSING PROVIDERS PARTICULARLY THOSE ALREADY SUBJECT TO THE COUNTY'S RENT CIVILIZATION AND TENANT PROTECTIONS ORDINANCE. OWNERS ARE PREVENTED FROM RESETTING RENTS UPON VACANCY WHILE OPERATING COSTS, INSURANCE, REPAIRS, UTILITIES AND SERVICES CONTINUE TO SKYROCKET. THE MATH SIMPLY DOES NOT ADD UP. WHEN SMALL OWNERS CANNOT SURVIVE, THEY ARE FORCED TO SELL. THOSE PROPERTIES ARE THEN ACQUIRED BY LARGE CORPORATE BUYERS AND REDEVELOPED, DISPLACING LONG-TERM RENTERS WHO ARE PAYING BELOW MARKET RENTS. THIS POLICY DOES NOT PROTECT TENANTS. IT ULTIMATELY HURTS THEM. THERE IS ALSO NO CREDIBLE DATA SHOWING PRICE GOUGING IS OCCURRING TODAY. DESPITE REPEATED CLAIMS, NO COUNTY-WIDE EVIDENCE HAS BEEN PRESENTED. IN FACT, RECENT REPORTING SHOWS RENTS DID NOT SIGNIFICANTLY SPIKE AFTER THE WILDFIRES. THESE RESTRICTIONS HAVE NOW BEEN IN PLACE FOR FAR TOO LONG AND FURTHER EXTENDING WHEN ONLY FORCE SMALL MOM AND POP OWNERS OUT OF BUSINESS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ITEM 53B IS AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM AS AMENDMENT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER? AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION PASSES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 53 E BOLSTERING ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER MENTAL HEALTH ON THE THREE-YEAR REMEMBRANCE OF MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON A TELEPHONE. COLLEAGUES, IF YOU RECALL ON JANUARY 21, 2023, A JOYFUL KICKOFF TO MONTEREY PARK'S LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION WAS MARRED BY A TRAGEDY AFTER GUNMEN ENTERED THE STAR BALLROOM DANCE STUDIO AND OPENED FIRE KILLING 11 PEOPLE AND WOUNDING 9 OTHERS. A FURTHER TRAGEDY WAS NARROWLY AVOIDED IN THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA DUE TO THE HEROIC EFFORTS OF BRANDON SAY, WHO STOPPED THE SAME GUNMEN FROM COMMITTING ADDITIONAL VIOLENCE. THESE INCIDENTS LED TO SIGNIFICANT FEAR, TRAUMA, PAIN, AS FAMILIES MOURN THE LOSS OF THEIR LOVED ONES AND SHINED A BRIGHT LIGHT ON THE NEED TO ADDRESS GUN VIOLENCE AND REMOVE ASSAULT WEAPONS FROM OUR STREETS, BUT ALSO THE SIGNIFICANT DISPARITIES THAT ASIAN, AMERICAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS OR

AANHPI RESIDENTS EXPERIENCE IN ASSESSING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IF YOU'RE NOT AWARE, IS HOME TO APPROXIMATELY 1,500,000 PEOPLE OF AANHPI DESCENT. THIS IS THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY. AND THESE COMMUNITIES REPRESENT MORE THAN 40 ETHNIC GROUPS FROM DISTINCT LANGUAGES, CULTURES, AND SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS. NOTABLY, AS OF 2021, NEARLY 30% OF THE COUNTY'S IMMIGRANT POPULATION IDENTIFIED AS ASIAN AMERICAN. WHILE THE PHILIPPINES AND CHINA WERE AMONG THE TOP 5 COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN AMONG IMMIGRANT ANGELENOS, WE HAVE DISCUSSED NUMEROUS TIMES HERE ON THE DAIS THE TRUMP'S ADMINISTRATION INCREASED IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT CONTINUES TO SOW FEAR IN OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. ASIAN AMERICANS ADVANCING JUSTICE HAVE INDICATED THAT IMMIGRANT WORKERS THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTY ARE DISAPPEARING WHILE CHILDREN ARE AFRAID TO RETURN TO SCHOOL. THIS IS UNDOUBTEDLY LEADING TO HEIGHTENED MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. AND UNFORTUNATELY, AANHPI COMMUNITIES FACE MANY CHALLENGES IN ASSESSING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INCLUDING BECAUSE OF LANGUAGE BARRIERS, STIGMA AND SHAME ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL HEALTH, INADEQUATE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE, AND INSUFFICIENT CULTURALLY COMPETENT CARE, AMONG THE MANY OTHERS. IN FACT, ACCORDING TO A 2023 UCLA HEALTH ARTICLE, ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITIES ARE 50% LESS LIKELY THAN OTHER RACIAL ETHNIC GROUPS TO SEEK MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. DMH, OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, HAS LED SIGNIFICANT EFFORTS TO INCREASE ACCESS TO CULTURALLY AND

LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE SERVICES TO THESE COMMUNITIES. AND IN THE WAKE OF THE MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY, WE PARTNERED, OR THEY DID, WITH THE COMMUNITY AND CBOS TO LAUNCH A FIRST OF ITS KIND, TEA TIME, AN INITIATIVE AT THE LANGLEY MONTEREY PARK SENIOR CENTER. SO INSTEAD OF JUST HAVING STAFF COME IN AND ORGANIZE AN EVENT OF MENTAL HEALTH INDIVIDUALS, THEY WENT FURTHER AND THEY BROUGHT THE CULTURAL ASPECTS OF THE COMMUNITY RESPECTING THAT AND BRINGING INDIVIDUALS THAT COULD PROVIDE THE INTERPRETATION TO THESE COMMUNITIES AND MANY OF WHOM WERE ELDERLY. THIS WAS AN IMPORTANT BREAKTHROUGH TO ADDRESS THE STIGMA AMONG OLDER AANHPI AND WITH ASSESSING THEIR MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS THE RESOURCES THAT THE COUNTY HAS MADE AVAILABLE. THIS CULTURALLY ACCESSIBLE INITIATIVE PROVIDED OUTREACH IN A WELCOMING AND FAMILIAR MANNER, WHICH SUCCEEDED IN INCREASING THE NUMBER OF OLDER AANHPI RESIDENTS ACCESSING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, BUT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO ADEQUATELY SUPPORT THESE COMMUNITIES WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. AND TO THAT END, IN ADDITION TO PROCLAIMING JANUARY 21, 2026 AS MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY DAY OF REMEMBRANCE. THIS MOTION DIRECTS DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO REPORT BACK ON THE CURRENT EFFORTS TO REDUCE STIGMA AND INCREASE ACCESS AND ENGAGEMENT TO AANHPI COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE USE, IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IMPACTS, EFFORTS TO ENHANCE WORKFORCE DIVERSITY, AND CULTURAL COMPETENCY.

INITIATIVES AND OUTREACH TO INCREASE ACCESS AND USE OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, INCLUDING THROUGH THE EXPANSION OF THIS INITIATIVE, SUCH AS TEATIME, SHOULD BE A PART OF THAT. A CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY RESPONSIVE INFORMATIONAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN NEEDS TO ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO HELP REDUCE THE STIGMA AROUND MENTAL HEALTH AND ENSURE THAT COMMUNITIES ARE AWARE OF SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM. RECOMMENDATIONS TO FURTHER ENHANCE ACCESS AND UTILIZATION OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AMONG THE AANHPI COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY AMID THE INCREASED IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT. COLLEAGUES, MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE SUFFERING IN SILENCE AND WE MUST CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT THIS COMMUNITY, LARGE COMMUNITY, FEELS SAFE IN LOOKING TO OUR L.A. COUNTY FOR SUPPORT. I WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. AND I DO SEE ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES WANTING TO SPEAK. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I JUST WANTED TO STAND WITH YOU ON THIS AND RECOGNIZE AND REMEMBER THAT THREE YEARS AGO, L.A. COUNTY EXPERIENCED THE DEADLIEST MASS SHOOTING IN ITS HISTORY WHEN A GUNMAN OPENED FIRE AT A DANCE STUDIO IN MONTEREY PARK ON THE EVE OF LUNAR NEW YEAR. THE DANCE STUDIO, AS YOU SAID, WAS A PLACE OF JOY AND CONNECTION, AND IT WAS ESPECIALLY POPULAR AMONG THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY'S OLDER ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY. THE 11 VICTIMS FROM THAT NIGHT REFLECT THAT REALITY. ALL WERE OVER THE AGE OF 55, AND ALL

WERE ASIAN AMERICAN. WHEN I REFLECT ON THE TRAGIC NIGHT THREE YEARS AGO AND THE RESPONSE FROM L.A. COUNTY, I THINK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE COLLABORATION AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT, ESPECIALLY FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. I REMEMBER DR. LISA WONG, OUR DIRECTOR OF DMH, WAS ON THE SCENE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SHOOTING MAKING SURE THAT HER DEPARTMENT WAS THERE TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES TO EVERYONE WHO WAS AFFECTED. DR. WONG KNOWS ALL TOO WELL HOW OFTEN MENTAL ILLNESS AND THE ACT OF SEEKING MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT IS STIGMATIZED IN THIS COUNTRY. AND OUR COUNTY'S NO EXCEPTION. THE MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY HIGHLIGHTS THE STIGMA. IT REMINDS US OF THE DISPARITY THAT ASIAN AMERICAN RESIDENTS IN PARTICULAR EXPERIENCE WHEN IT COMES TO ACCESSING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. SO, I HOPE TODAY'S MOTION WILL HELP REDUCE THAT STIGMA AND INCREASE ENGAGEMENT AMONG OUR COUNTY'S ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES SO THAT MORE PEOPLE WHO NEED MENTAL HEALTH CARE WILL SEEK IT AND WILL HAVE ACCESS TO IT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE STAND WITH YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND I WANT TO THANK AND RECOGNIZE DR. LINDA WONG, LISA WONG FOR BEING HERE. LISA, YOU'RE STANDING OVER THERE, BUT WE KNOW YOU'RE CONSTANTLY WORKING AND COMING UP WITH INNOVATIVE IDEAS AND HOW TO REACH OUR COMMUNITY, SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. LET'S GO TO THE PUBLIC IF WE HAVE COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM. WE WILL GO TO REMOTE SPEAKERS. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 53E, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 310628, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

DIANA CHUNG: HI, MY NAME IS DIANA CHUNG AND I'M WITH ASIAN YOUTH CENTER. I'M A LICENSED MARRIAGE FAMILY THERAPIST, AND I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF MONTEREY PARK IN ALHAMBRA FOR A LONG TIME. SO, THIS INCIDENT REALLY HITS CLOSE TO HOME. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 53E AND THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO PROCLAIM JANUARY 21ST AS THE MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY DAY OF REMEMBRANCE. TO HONOR THE VICTIMS AND OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY THOSE WHO ARE IMPACTED BY THE MASS SHOOTING. THE EFFECTS OF COMMUNITY TRAUMA WE KNOW DON'T GO AWAY ONCE THE IMMEDIATE CRISIS IS RESOLVED. IN OUR ASIAN YOUTH CENTERS COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMMING THAT ADDRESSES OUTREACH EDUCATION AND WELLNESS WE SEE THAT WHEN FOLKS FEEL UNSAFE DISTRUST GETS IN THE WAY OF PEOPLE ENGAGING IN RESOURCES AND WITH EACH OTHER AND THIS RESULTS IN ISOLATION AND ONGOING FEAR. THIS ULTIMATELY IMPACTS OUR PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL

HEALTH. AND WE HOPE THAT WITH THIS MOTION, IT'LL SUPPORT HEALING IN OUR COMMUNITY AND TO KEEP LONG-TERM HEALING.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER 3 WITH PHONE NUMBER 323695. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

DIEGO RODERIGUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ AND I AM COO OF ALMA, WHICH HAS BEEN BASED IN MONTEREY PARK FOR NEARLY 20 OF ITS 50 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. I'M CALLING STRONG SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION AND TO PROCLAIM JANUARY 21ST AS THE MP TRAGEDY DAY OF REMEMBRANCE, HONORING THE LIVES WE LOST AND THE COMMUNITY IMPACTED BY THIS HORRIFIC EVENT. AS SOMEONE MARRIED INTO, EMBRACED BY, AND PROFESSIONALLY SERVING THE AANHPI COMMUNITY, I HAVE PERSONALLY SEEN HOW GRIEF, FEAR, STIGMA, LANGUAGE BARRIERS, AND IMMIGRATION STRESS ALL INTERSECT, OFTEN PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM SEEKING HELP. THIS MOTION DOES MORE THAN JUST REMEMBER. IT CALLS FOR CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE OUTREACH AND TRULY INCLUSIVE STRATEGIES TO CLOSE LONGSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH ACCESS GAPS. I RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626652, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

VENERABLE HUI DONG: HI, MY NAME IS VENERABLE HUI DONG WITH HSI LAI TEMPLE, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 53E. AND FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION PROCLAIMING THIS IMPORTANT DAY, BECAUSE IT IS A TIMELY REMINDER EVERY SINGLE YEAR FOR US TO REMEMBER THE IMPORTANCE OF ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH AND OF COURSE TO PROVIDE IT TO THE AAPI COMMUNITY AND I HEREBY REQUEST THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626232, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

NINA LOC: MY NAME IS NINA LOC. I'M WITH CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 53E. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS, HILDA SOLIS, FOR HER MOTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 21ST AS THE MONTEREY PARK TRAGEDY DAY OF REMEMBRANCE TO HONOR THE LIFE LOST AND THOSE FOREVER IMPACTED BY THE MASS SHOOTING THAT TOOK PLACE IN MONTEREY PARK THREE YEARS AGO. AS WELL AS TO UPLIFT THE UNIQUE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF THE ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY. I REQUEST THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626774. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

CHERRY: HI, MY NAME IS CHERRY. I'M CALLING FROM THE HERACLITUS HEALTH CENTER. I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS' MOTION FOR ITEM 53E, WHICH IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO US, THAT WE ARE DEVASTATED TO FIND THAT ACTUALLY OUT OF THE 11 DECEASED VICTIMS OF THE MONTEREY PARK SHOOTING. ACTUALLY, 4 OF THEM ARE OUR PATIENTS. SO THAT'S WHY WE ACTUALLY WITNESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTAL HEALTH AMONG OUR COMMUNITIES FOR ASIAN AMERICAN IMMIGRANTS. SO YOUR MOTION IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626-780. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

ANDREA MAC: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANDREA MAC AND I'M WITH CAUSE, THE CENTER FOR ASIAN AMERICANS' GENERIC FOR SELF-EMPOWERMENT. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 30TH AS THE MONTEREY PARK CHARITY DAY OF REMEMBRANCE. THE DAY HONORS THE LIVES LOST AND THE FAMILIES FOREVER IMPACTED BY THIS EVENT, WHICH DEEPLY AFFECTED OUR ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. THIS

MOTION ALSO RECOGNIZED SOMETHING ESSENTIAL, THE URGENT NEED FOR A SENSIBLE AND CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. WE WANT TO TAKE A KNOWLEDGE AND COMMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR THE HARD WORK ALREADY BEING DONE TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. THE GOAL OF THIS MOTION IS TO BUILD ON THAT PROGRESS AND PROVIDE MORE DATA AND MORE INSIGHTS FOR US TO DO MORE WORK. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR CALLING FOR MORE DATA SPECIFIC INFORMATION FOR OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 53E IS BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I WILL MOVE THE ITEM SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION PASSES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 53G HOLDING THE LINE FOR WORKING FAMILIES AGAINST TAX ON FEDERAL FUNDING FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON THE TELEPHONE. DR. JACKIE

CONTRERAS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. BRANDON NICHOLS, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. CARRIE MILLER, SENIOR MANAGER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. AS WELL AS CHRISTINA MEZA AND ANGELA OVALLE WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, PLEASE PROCEED.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW, COLLEAGUES, IT FEELS TO ME LIKE WE ARE LIVING THROUGH A REOCCURRING NIGHTMARE. BECAUSE HERE WE ARE, ONCE AGAIN, AN UNPRECEDENTED AND DEEPLY CONCERNING ACTION BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT THREATENS THE BASIC SAFETY NET FOR MORE THAN 270,000 CONSERVATIVELY SPEAKING RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. ON THE 6TH OF JANUARY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ABRUPTLY RESTRICTED ACCESS TO FEDERAL FUNDS FOR TANF AS WE KNOW HERE IN CALIFORNIA OUR CALWORKS PROGRAM, THE CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, AND THE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT. THESE PROGRAMS FORM THE BACKBONE OF SUPPORT FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES BY HELPING PARENTS PAY FOR RENT, ACCESS CHILD CARE SO THEY CAN WORK, AND BY ENSURING THAT SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES RECEIVE THE SERVICES THEY DEPEND ON AND FRANKLY ARE ENTITLED TO. AND YET AGAIN, AS I'VE SAID BEFORE,

THIS IS A MANUFACTURED CRISIS, NOT A TRULY ECONOMIC ONE. UNDER THE GUISE OF PREVENTING FRAUD, AND I USE AIR QUOTES INTENTIONALLY, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS ISSUED YET ANOTHER DIRECTIVE THAT IS ANTI-IMMIGRANT, ANTI-BLACK, ANTI-WORKING-CLASS FAMILIES, AND ANTI-POVERTY. THE ADMINISTRATION DEMANDED THAT WITHIN 14 DAYS, EXTENSIVE ELIGIBILITY AND PERSONAL DATA FROM STATES WITHOUT ANY EVIDENCE OF WRONGDOING AND WITHOUT FOLLOWING CURRENT FEDERAL RULEMAKING REQUIREMENTS. CALIFORNIANS FOR OTHER STATES CHALLENGE THIS ACTION IN COURT. A FEDERAL JUDGE ISSUED A 14-DAY TEMPORARY STAY AT A TRO LAST FRIDAY RESTORING FUNDING FOR NOW BUT THE TRO EXPIRES ON JANUARY 24TH AND THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT IT WILL BE EXTENDED SO WHY THIS MOTION AND WHAT WE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH BY IT BECAUSE WE CLEARLY CAN'T WAIT FOR THE CLOCK TO RUN OUT. MORE THAN 112,000 CALWORKS FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE, INCLUDING NEARLY 200,000 CHILDREN, DEPEND ON THESE PROGRAMS EVERY DAY. IN MY OFFICE ALONE, WE RECEIVE OVER 1,500 CALLS PER MONTH AND THAT'S IN GOOD TIMES ABSENT A NEW FEDERAL RULE BY OUR GOVERNMENT AND THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO CONSISTENTLY ARE ASKING ABOUT THE STATUS OF THEIR BENEFITS AND ARE ASKING FOR THE HELP OF THEIR ELECTED LEADER. CHILD CARE PROVIDERS RELY ON TIMELY PAYMENTS TO STAY OPEN TO KEEP THEIR FAMILIES EMPLOYED, TO KEEP THEIR EMPLOYEES PAID. SENIORS AND VULNERABLE ADULTS RECEIVE ESSENTIAL SERVICES THROUGH THE SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT, AND EVEN A SHORT DISRUPTION WOULD CAUSE IMMEDIATE HARM,

INCLUDING MISSED CHILD CARE PAYMENTS, INTERRUPTED CASEWORK, INCREASED FOOD AND HOUSING INSTABILITY, AND A FURTHER STRAIN ON AN ALREADY FRAGILE PROVIDER NETWORK. OUR DEPARTMENTS ARE STILL ASSESSING THE FULL SCOPE OF THE IMPACT. SO, THE MOTION BEFORE YOU TODAY DOES THREE ESSENTIAL THINGS. FIRST, IT ENSURES THAT WE AS THE LARGEST COUNTY SAFETY NET ADMINISTRATOR IN THE COUNTRY HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF OUR EXPOSURE AND THE TIMELINE FOR POTENTIAL IMPACT. SECONDLY, IT DIRECTS DEPARTMENTS TO PREPARE OPERATIONAL AND FISCAL CONTINGENCY PLANS SO FAMILIES AND PROVIDERS ARE NOT BLINDSIDED IF THE FREEZE RESUMES. AND THIRD, IT POSITIONS L.A. COUNTY TO STAND WITH CALIFORNIA AND SIMILARLY SITUATED JURISDICTIONS TO PRESENT A UNIFIED FRONT, SHARE DATA, COORDINATE PUBLIC MESSAGING, AND PROTECT OUR RESIDENTS WITH EVERY LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE TOOL AVAILABLE TO US. THIS, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE COLLEAGUES, IS NOT A PARTISAN ISSUE. THIS IS ABOUT THE RULE OF LAW, BASIC FAIRNESS, AND KEEPING OUR RESIDENTS WHOLE. I THINK WE HAVE TO BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING, AND WE'VE GOT TO REASSURE PEOPLE THAT BENEFITS REMAIN IN PLACE TODAY AND DEMONSTRATE THAT WE ARE PLANNING FOR EVERY SCENARIO POSSIBLE. THE TEMPORARY STAY GIVES US A VERY LITTLE BRIDGE OR BREATHING ROOM, VERY SHORT, AND I'M CLEAR IT'S NOT A TRUE SOLUTION. THE SOLUTION AT THIS POINT IS PREPARATION, COORDINATION, AND A CLEAR DIRECTIVE FROM THIS BOARD THAT WE WILL SAFEGUARD THE PEOPLE WHO RELY ON US THAT OUR RESIDENTS MUST NOT SUFFER

BECAUSE OF POLITICALLY MOTIVATED ACTIONS FROM OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AGAIN, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO RESTATE THAT THIS POLICY CAME BEFORE US WITHOUT ANY EVIDENCE OF FRAUD TAKING PLACE. SO, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY ASK SOME OF OUR ESTEEMED DEPARTMENT LEADERS, I WAS ABOUT TO SAY BELEAGUERED DEPARTMENT LEADERS, BUT WE ALL ARE BELEAGUERED AT THIS POINT, JUST WE ARE WORN OUT OVER THE CHANGES THAT COME EVERY DAY AND THE ADDED WORKLOAD UNNECESSARY AS YOU'RE ALREADY TRYING TO NAVIGATE BUDGET CUTS AND KEEP PEOPLE WHOLE. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU ALL SHOWING UP TODAY, BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HEAR FROM YOU AND GET SOME ANSWERS. SO, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S THE COUNTY'S CURRENT MONTHLY DRAWDOWN SCHEDULE FOR CALWORKS AND WHEN WOULD A FREEZE FIRST IMPACT PAYMENTS TO OUR CONSTITUENTS?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR, SUPERVISORS. JACKIE CONTRERAS, DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. SO, I'M GOING TO TALK TO YOU IN TERMS OF OUR CALWORKS CASH ASSISTANCE. THOSE ARE THE BENEFITS THAT GO TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND THEN THE CALWORK ADMINISTRATIVE DOLLARS THAT SUPPORT OUR STAFF AND OUR WORKFORCE. SO, IN TERMS OF THE CASH ASSISTANCE, WE RECEIVE ADVANCES ON THE 30TH OF THE MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH. AND THOSE BENEFITS, I THINK AS YOU ALL KNOW, ARE ISSUED BETWEEN THE 1ST AND THE 10TH OF THAT MONTH. WE SUBMIT THE CLAIM ON A

MONTHLY BASIS, SO GENERALLY ON THE 20TH AFTER THOSE DOLLARS HAVE BEEN ISSUED AND THEN IT'S RECONCILED. SO, FOR OUR FEBRUARY PAYMENTS, WE EXPECT THOSE DOLLARS ON THE 30TH OF THIS MONTH. AND THAT IS AFTER THE TRO EXPIRES. AND SO, THERE'S A LITTLE BIT OF UNKNOWN FACTOR IN THAT REGARD. IN TERMS OF OUR ADMIN FUNDS, WE RECEIVED THOSE ADVANCES GENERALLY ON THE 15TH OF THE MONTH. AND I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE ALREADY RECEIVED THOSE TODAY. SO THOSE ADMIN DOLLARS DID COME THROUGH FOR FEBRUARY. AND THEN THOSE ARE RECONCILED ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. SO THAT'S HOW THE MONEY FLOWS. IT'S UNCLEAR AT THIS POINT WHAT WILL HAPPEN. THE TRO EXPIRES, I BELIEVE, ON THE 23RD. SO DEPENDING ON WHAT THE COURT FINDS AND WHAT THE NEXT STEPS ARE, OUR ASSISTANCE DOLLARS COULD STILL BE AT RISK. SO, WE'RE MONITORING THAT CLOSELY, WORKING WITH THE STATE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE UP TO SPEED IN TERMS OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AND HOW THE DOLLARS MAY OR MAY NOT FLOW.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO, WE RECEIVED ADMIN DOLLARS JUST BASED ON THE TIMING OF WHEN THOSE PAYMENTS ARE MADE. BUT AS YOU SAY, THANK YOU, I THINK I HAD THE 24TH, SO IT'S THE 23RD, THE TRO EXPIRES. AND YOU'RE SAYING THAT BASED ON THE ACTION TAKEN THEN WE COULD YOU COULD NOT RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT ON THE 30TH WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT PAYMENTS WE MAKE BETWEEN THE 1ST AND THE 10TH.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: WOULD NOT COME THROUGH ON THE 30TH, THAT'S CORRECT.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AND WE WOULD THEREFORE NOT BE IN A POSITION TO MAKE THOSE PAYMENTS?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: WE WOULD NOT BE, WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE STATE'S ACTION WILL BE. THE STATE IS NAVIGATING ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT FUNDING STREAMS AND SO WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY WILL DO IN TERMS OF PROVIDING DOLLARS AND THEN IT WOULD BE A MATTER OF A COUNTY DECISION ABOUT HOW WE WANT TO MANAGE THAT SITUATION IF THE DOLLARS DON'T COME THROUGH.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: BUT THE REALITY IS CALWORKS DOLLARS ARE FEDERAL DOLLARS.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: YES.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AND SO, IF THE STATE WERE TO TAKE SOME ACTION, IT WOULD BE THE STATE PUTTING STATE DOLLARS UP YOU'RE SUGGESTING?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: I AM SUGGESTING THAT ONLY BECAUSE IN ALL THE COMMUNICATIONS THAT WE RECEIVED THESE ACTIONS WOULD DELAY DOLLARS. SO, THERE'S BEEN NOTHING TO SUGGEST THAT THE DOLLARS

WOULD NOT COME THROUGH THAT IT'S WHAT THEY'RE ASKING IS TO HOLD THE DOLLARS UNTIL THIS INFORMATION IS PROVIDED.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AND THAT'S INFORMATION THAT WE, AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THESE PROGRAMS, WOULD HAVE TO THEN PROVIDE TO THE STATE TO THEN PROVIDE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:SO, WE ALREADY PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE STATE ON A REGULAR BASIS. SO, ALL OF THAT DATA IS IN THE SYSTEM AND IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE STATE. SOME OF IT MAY BE IN OLD SYSTEMS, IT MAY BE HARD TO ACCESS. SO THERE'S A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT INFORMATION THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS ENTITLED TO. AND THEN THERE'S ALSO A QUESTION OF HOW ACCESSIBLE IS THE INFORMATION THAT THEY'RE REQUESTING.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: SO, THIS NEW INFORMATION THAT THEY DEMAND THAT EXTENSIVE ELIGIBILITY AND PERSONAL DATA FROM STATES IS DATA THAT WE ALREADY COLLECT.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: WE LIKELY COLLECT IT IN SOME FORM.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: GOT IT.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:YES.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: BUT HAVE NOT BEEN REQUIRED TO TURN THIS ADDITIONAL DATA SET OVER TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: CORRECT.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: OKAY, SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT POTENTIAL DELAY IN PAYMENTS?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: YES.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: OKAY.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:AS FAR AS IT'S BEEN COMMUNICATED TO US THUS FAR.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: GOT IT. MS. MILLER, IF YOU COULD TALK TO US ABOUT MESSAGING, BECAUSE JUST IN THIS EXCHANGE BACK AND FORTH, IT COULD BE CONFUSING. AND IF I WERE A MOTHER OF TWO RELYING ON CALWORKS, GIVEN THE AVERAGE CALWORKS PAYMENT A MONTH, KNOWING HOW TIGHT THAT IS, IF I WERE TO HEAR THIS, I WOULD PANIC, BECAUSE THE FIRST IS AROUND THE CORNER. SO, WHAT IS THE COUNTY GOING TO DO OR WHAT CAN THE COUNTY DO IN TERMS OF OUR MESSAGING TO CHILD CARE PROVIDERS AS WELL AS PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES?

CARRIE MILLER: SO THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION. AND AS YOU HEAR, IT'S A VERY DYNAMIC AND MOVING SITUATION THAT WE'RE TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS THE RIGHT MESSAGING. WE HAVE OUR COUNTY-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS DEPLOYED WITH MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. THEY HAVE CREATED A WHOLE PLATFORM AND A COORDINATED RESPONSE ON ALL TYPES OF ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE MESSAGED QUICKLY. SO ANYTIME THERE'S A CRISIS, ANYTIME THERE'S A NEED, WHATEVER THAT IS, WE NOW HAVE IN PLACE MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WORKING TOGETHER, STREAMLINING THAT INFORMATION TO PUT IT IN ONE SOURCE, ONE MESSAGE, THEY'RE CALLING IT NEWS YOU CAN USE, AND THEN FIGURING OUT ALL DIFFERENT TYPES OF PLATFORMS, WHAT CAN BE USED, WHAT CAN BE LEVERAGED TO GET THAT INFORMATION OUT. I THINK WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS OBVIOUSLY CEO WILL BE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH DPSS AND THE STATE TO FIGURE OUT EXACTLY WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE AND TIMING SO THAT WHATEVER MESSAGE GETS SHARED WE MAKE SURE WE'RE SHARING THE BEST AND MOST ACCURATE INFORMATION. BUT IN JUST IN ANTICIPATION OF WHAT WE'RE NOT SURE IS COMING WE HAVE ALREADY REACHED OUT TO 211 OUR PARTNER FOR RESOURCES AND TALKED ABOUT WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE, WHAT TYPE OF POTENTIAL ISSUES THAT THEY MAY BE GETTING IN TERMS OF INCREASED CALLS, WHAT THAT WOULD LOOK LIKE, AND MAKE SURE THEY'RE MOBILIZED AND READY TO, RIGHT NOW, ALREADY REFER PEOPLE TO WHATEVER IT IS THAT THEY NEED ON THE GROUND TODAY. SO THAT IS WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IN TERMS OF MESSAGING. BUT WE HAVE ALREADY TAKEN THE STEP IN TERMS OF CONTINGENCY

PLANNING, FIGURING OUT WHAT DO WE HAVE IN PLACE NOW? WHAT CAN WE LEVERAGE QUICKLY IF WE NEED TO? WHAT WOULD BE LONG-TERM LEVERAGING? SETTING OUT A PLAN AND A COURSE SO THAT AS SOON AS WE KNOW WHETHER OR NOT THOSE PAYMENTS ARE GOING TO BE MADE, WE WILL KNOW WHERE TO DEPLOY PEOPLE, WHERE TO SEND THEM, AND WHAT THAT MESSAGE SHOULD LOOK LIKE.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT. I APPRECIATE US HAVING A PLAN. YOU KNOW, IT WAS MENTIONED SEVERAL TIMES EARLIER TODAY AS WE WERE TALKING ABOUT CUTS AND THE REASON AND WHY WE'RE IN THE FISCAL PREDICAMENT WE ARE IN AS A COUNTY. AND SO, I NEVER WANT TO SUGGEST OR ASSUME THAT WE ARE IN A POSITION TO BACKFILL ANY THING THAT ANY OF THE MAJOR FUNDING, PARTICULARLY THESE HUGE DOLLAR AMOUNTS. DID YOU TELL US WHAT OUR CALWORKS PAYOUT WAS? WHAT'S OUR MONTHLY CALWORKS PAYOUT?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: SO, FOR CALWORKS, IT'S $106,000,000 A MONTH.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: A MONTH.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: AND THEN FOR CALWORKS CHILD CARE, IT'S $22,000,000.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: RIGHT. AND SNAP?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: $380,000,000.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: RIGHT.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: I'M GOING BY MEMORY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: NOT DOLLARS THAT WE COULD IN ANY WAY CARRY OR SUPPLANT. SO THAT IS NOT MY ASK OF THE CEO. BUT I DO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WAS SOME REMAINING FUNDS LEFT BEYOND WHAT WE ALLOCATED FOR THE SNAP DISRUPTION FUND, THE EMERGENCY DISRUPTION FUND. COULD YOU TALK ABOUT WHAT KIND OF DOLLARS ARE LEFT OVER AND IF THERE IS ANY CONTINGENCY PLANNING AS A RESULT OF THOSE AVAILABLE DOLLARS?

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: YES SUPERVISOR, SURE SO WHEN WE HAD THE GOVERNMENT SHUT DOWN LATE LAST YEAR AND IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY FRANKLY WE PARTNERED WITH THE L.A. REGIONAL FOOD BANK, AND WE MADE $10,000,000 AVAILABLE TO THE L.A. REGIONAL FOOD BANK TO SPONSOR THESE LARGE REGIONAL FOOD GIVEAWAYS AND TO PARTNER WITH CBOS WHO HAD A MORE LOCAL IMPACT. SO, OF THAT MONEY, THERE IS SOME REMAINDER. I THINK IT'S ABOUT $5,000,000 THAT WE CAN LEVERAGE AGAIN FOR FOOD. I THINK ONE OF THE BIG, ONE OF THE DIFFERENCES HERE IS WE'RE NOT JUST DEALING WITH FOOD, WE'RE DEALING WITH A BENEFIT PAYMENT THAT YOU CAN USE

FOR RENT OR CHILDCARE OR OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT. SO, A MAJOR LESSON FOR ME FROM THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN WAS THAT WE NEED TO GET, CONVENE OUR REGIONAL PARTNERS EARLY. THERE ARE LOTS OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN THIS SPACE THAT STEPPED UP TO HELP LAST TIME. WE MIGHT HAVE SOME NEW PLAYERS LIKE A LACAHSA THAT HAS SOME FUNDING THAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO LEVERAGE. WE HAVE A RENT RELIEF INFRASTRUCTURE WE DIDN'T HAVE BEFORE, SO WE'VE HAD SOME INITIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH DIRECTOR CARBAJAL ABOUT ARE THERE WAYS TO USE THAT INFRASTRUCTURE TO ISSUE SOME RELIEF. IT'S ALL GOING TO COME DOWN TO THE MONEY THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO DO SO. SO, THAT IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE THE ISSUE. I RECOGNIZE IT'S NOT YOUR ASK TO BACKFILL THIS, BUT CONTEXT IS IMPORTANT. WE JUST GOT DONE TALKING ABOUT THE $300,000,000 DEFICIT IN HSH AND TWO MONTHS OF THESE BENEFITS PAYMENTS IS MORE THAN $300,000,000. SO, THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY AMOUNT. SO, IT'S GOING TO TAKE A WHOLE OF GOVERNMENT APPROACH. WE NEED TO BRING OUR FAITH-BASED PARTNERS IN EARLY, BECAUSE LAST TIME THEY WERE VERY HELPFUL. AND SO THAT IS DEFINITELY A PILLAR OF OUR CONTINGENCY PLANNING IS TODAY, BEFORE WE EVEN KNOW ANYTHING THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN OR WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN, GET EVERYBODY LINED UP TO MAKE SURE THAT FOLKS WHO ARE ABLE TO SUPPORT CAN SUPPORT IN SOME WAY, SHAPE OR FASHION. SO, A LONG ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, ABOUT $5,000,000 LEFT FOR FOOD, BUT IT'S MORE THAN FOOD.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. AND THAT WORK IS GOING TO START NOW OR WILL THAT WORK START IN A WEEK AND A HALF AFTER WE KNOW WHAT HAPPENS IN THE COURT ON THE 23RD?

JOSEPH NICCHITTA: NO, WE'VE STARTED THE CONTINGENCY PLANNING BECAUSE EVERYDAY MATTERS AT THIS POINT. SO, IF IT DOESN'T COME TO FRUITION, GREAT. WE MADE SOME NEW FRIENDS. IF NOT, THEN WE'RE READY.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: EXCELLENT, FOR THIS REOCCURRING NIGHTMARE.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD ADD, I THINK WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE HITS ARE GOING TO KEEP ON COMING.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: YES, THEY ARE.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: RIGHT, FOR DIFFERENT TYPES OF BENEFITS. AND SO, WE'VE STARTED HIGH LEVEL CONVERSATIONS THAT WE NEED A SAFETY NET BENEATH THE SAFETY NET IN ORDER TO BE READY TO MOVE IN THESE VARIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES AND NOT GO ONE BY ONE.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT. I APPRECIATE THAT. ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM FOLKS HERE AT THE TABLE? CAUSE I JUST

HAVE ONE REMAINING QUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL, BUT I WANTED TO CREATE OPPORTUNITY IF ANYBODY ELSE WANTED TO ADD ANYTHING. BUT I APPRECIATE HEARING THAT LAST PERSPECTIVE IN TERMS OF HAVING AN ONGOING KIND OF STRIKE TEAM THAT'S READY TO RESPOND. TO COUNTY COUNSEL, I'M HOPING THAT THE COUNTY IS THINKING ABOUT HOW WE CAN BUILD A FACTUAL RECORD FOR POTENTIAL LAWSUITS RELATED TO THESE ACTIONS. AND I GUESS MY QUESTION TO YOU IS WHAT DIRECT LINES OF COMMUNICATION CURRENTLY EXIST WITH OUR STATE'S ATTORNEY GENERAL AND OTHER LOCAL JURISDICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THESE FUNDING FREEZES AND ARE WE COORDINATING WITH THEM?

DAWYN R. HARRISON: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE QUESTION. WE ARE IN DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND WE ARE ASSISTING THEM IN ANY WAY THAT THEY MIGHT NEED SHOULD THEY ASK US FOR ANY COOPERATION IN THEIR CURRENT LAWSUIT AND SHOULD THEY SEEK OUR COOPERATION FROM THE COUNTY THROUGH THE AFFECTED DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS. WE WOULD CERTAINLY COOPERATE AND ASSIST OUR DIRECTORS WITH ANY DECLARATIONS OR ANY SUPPORT DATA THAT THEY MIGHT NEED AND WE ARE IN DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH THEM. AND THEN YOU KNOW ALSO WE CERTAINLY WOULD NOT NEED ANY BOARD AUTHORITY FOR THAT. I WOULD ON THE OTHER THE DIRECTOR FOR WITH REGARDS TO REPORT BACK, NO ISSUES WITH THAT. I WILL SAY IF WE WANT TO BE NIMBLE, THIS DOES REQUEST A REPORT BACK AS OPPOSED TO JUST GIVING US AUTHORITY

TO FILE, JOIN AS A PARTY OR SUPPORT THROUGH ANY AMICUS. IF THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO THE AUTHORS, THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING OF A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT FROM COUNCIL THAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO ADD, JUST TO MAKE US MORE NIMBLE. SHOULD WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING WITH IT BEFORE 14 DAYS?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: ABSOLUTELY. YES. OKAY. SO, AMENDED. YEAH, I THINK THE REPORT BACK FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE WAS MAKING SURE, BECAUSE YOU DON'T NEED BOARD DIRECTION IN ORDER TO DO SO, I THINK THE DESIRE OF THE REPORT BACK WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE AWARE OF ANY CASES THAT COME FORWARD. SO YEAH, SO IF YOU NEED THE AMENDMENT LANGUAGE TO ALLOW YOU TO BE NIMBLE, I WOULD ASK THAT WE BE INFORMED WHETHER YOU DECIDE TO JOIN IN AN AMICUS OR NOT, JUST SO WE ARE AWARE OF HOW AGGRESSIVE WE ARE LEANING IN TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE AS THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE NATION GIVEN THE ROLE WE PLAY STATEWIDE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF OUR ROLE STATEWIDE IN THE PROVISION OF THESE ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS AND LIFE-SUSTAINING PROGRAMS I'D LIKE TO KNOW IF IT'S SOMETHING THAT YOU ARE CHOOSING ON OUR BEHALF NOT TO ENGAGE IN. SO THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE REPORT BACK, BUT ABSOLUTELY. IF YOU WANT TO --

DAWYN R. HARRISON: I'LL PROVIDE THAT LANGUAGE TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: EXCELLENT. THANK YOU ALL FOR THE WORK YOU DO EVERY DAY AND FOR THE WORK YOU DO IN EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES LIKE WE ARE FINDING OURSELVES IN TODAY. WITH THAT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR JOINING ME IN THIS EFFORT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTIONING AND THE THOUGHTFULNESS, AND OF COURSE OUR DEPARTMENT, CEO AND COUNTY COUNSEL. IT'S LIKE A REVOLVING DOOR. WE CAN'T IT JUST CAN'T STOP AND I THINK IT'S SO DESPICABLE BECAUSE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT WITHHOLDING $10,000,000,000 DOLLARS FROM CALIFORNIA AND AN ADDITIONAL FOUR OTHER STATES. HINT, HINT, HINT. WHAT ARE THE WHO ARE WHAT ARE THOSE STATES. RIGHT. SO, I DO BELIEVE IT IS VERY PERSONAL AND I THINK IS VERY PARTISAN. BUT AGAIN, WE'VE GOT TO LIFT OURSELVES UP HERE AND REALLY MAKE SURE THAT WE TAKE CARE OF THESE FAMILIES. IN MY DISTRICT ALONE, 50,000 PEOPLE RELY ON THIS SUPPORT. AND WE KNOW THAT THAT'S PROBABLY AN UNDERESTIMATION BECAUSE THERE'S MANY PEOPLE THAT JUST HAVEN'T EVEN COME IN TO GET REDETERMINED BECAUSE THEY'RE SO AFRAID OF EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON. WE KNOW THAT FOR A FACT AND WITH OUR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS THEY'RE JUST HANGING ON TO STRINGS AND I HEAR THEM AND IT'S VERY PAINFUL AND WE DO NEED TO WORK WITH OUR STATE AND I CAN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ON ALL OF THIS. ON AN AVERAGE, THE CASE, THE AMOUNT

OF MONEY THAT EACH INDIVIDUAL WILL BE OUT IN MY DISTRICT IS ABOUT $1,050. THAT IS NOT A LOT OF MONEY TO PAY FOR ESSENTIALS, RENTS. YOU'RE LUCKY IF YOU EVEN HAVE A PHONE, RIGHT? AND THAT'S ESSENTIAL THESE DAYS FOR COMMUNICATION WITH OUR DEPARTMENTS. SO, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S DESPICABLE, IT'S UNFORTUNATE, BUT WE HAVE TO UNITE WITH OUR OTHER STATES, WITH OUR AGS, AND DO WHATEVER WE CAN. AND I STAND READY BESIDE YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE BOARD, SO THAT WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT AND EMPOWER OUR COUNTY TO DO THE VERY BEST. SO, THANK YOU. I WILL NOW RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION. I STRONGLY SUPPORT IT AND HAVE ALSO BEEN EQUALLY DISTURBED BY THIS ADMINISTRATION'S CONTINUED ATTEMPTS TO WEAPONIZE ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND CHILD CARE PROGRAMS. THESE PROGRAMS ARE NOT ABSTRACT POLICY TOOLS, AND THE FAMILIES THEY SERVE ARE NOT POLITICAL LEVERAGE FOR AN ADMINISTRATION THAT CLAIMS TO CARE ABOUT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, THEIR ACTIONS EVERY STEP OF THE WAY HAVE CLEARLY CONTRADICTED THAT. FAMILIES NEED OUR HELP MORE THAN EVER, AND TAKING AWAY FUNDING FROM CHILD CARE, FROM FOOD, FROM HOUSING, AND OTHER SUPPORTS IS SIMPLY CRUEL. I'M ENCOURAGED THAT THE FUNDING FREEZE HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY BLOCKED BY THE COURTS. I APPRECIATE THE SWIFT ACTION THAT HAS BEEN TAKEN BY OUR STATE LEADERS AND WE KNOW THAT MORE WORK

NEEDS TO BE DONE. IT IS JUST THIS ROLLER COASTER THAT WE ARE ON, YOU KNOW, WHAT IS GOING TO BE THE NEXT BIT OF FUNDING, THE NEXT WAY THAT WE SUPPORT REGULAR WORKING AMERICANS THAT THEY PUT AT RISK, WHICH SENDS ALL OF OUR SYSTEMS INTO A TAILSPIN AND IT IS NOT ONLY THE DIRECT IMPACT OF WHAT THE DOLLARS REPRESENT AND THE POLICY PROGRAMS BUT ALSO THE FACT THAT THEY'RE WILLING TO PLAY WITH OUR LIVES SHOWS HOW MUCH THEY TRULY DON'T CARE ABOUT WORKING PEOPLE WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE. SO, I APPRECIATE THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS TAKING A STAND FOR OUR RESIDENTS DOING ALL THAT WE CAN BECAUSE AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL CORRECTLY NOTED, WE CANNOT BACKFILL THESE FUNDING CUTS. AND WE KNOW THAT WHEN THESE FUNDING CUTS ARE PROPOSED, OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS COME TO THE COUNTY BECAUSE THEY KNOW OUR VALUES. THEY KNOW WE DON'T WANT TO MAKE THESE CUTS AND THEY KNOW WE WILL DO EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO PROTECT PEOPLE. AND WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO GO THROUGH THE EXERCISE OF BACKFILLING THINGS THAT OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO PARTNER WITH US ON. SO, I THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION AND FOR THE WORK THAT IT REPRESENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THE FIGHT TO PROTECT OUR WORKING FAMILIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: I'M GOING TO BE QUICK, AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU ASKED THIS, HOLLY, AND YOU MAY HAVE, SO I APOLOGIZE, SUPERVISOR. WHAT EXACTLY DOES RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN MEAN? I MEAN, I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED, BECAUSE MY UNDERSTANDING BEFORE YOU ANSWER THAT IS THAT EVERYTHING WE'RE DOING IS COMPLYING WITH THE STATE WHO THEN IS COMPLYING WITH THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS, NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS. AND SO, WHEN I HEAR RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN, I'M THINKING HOW MUCH MORE COMPLIANT CAN YOU GET BASED ON THE GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? AND I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT TO PUT ON THE RECORD BECAUSE THERE ARE THOSE OUT THERE THAT ARE HEARING INNUENDOS MADE THAT ARE IN FACT NOT ACCURATE ABOUT HOW WE ARE PROVIDING SUPPORT AND SERVICES AND CHILDCARE WOULD BE AN EXAMPLE. COVID IS A REASON WHY WE DON'T DO VERIFICATION ONSITE, BUT THAT'S A FEDERAL, WE WERE COMPLYING WITH THE FEDERAL GUIDELINES WHICH CHANGED BECAUSE OF COVID.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: SO, THE TANF IS A FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT AND SO THE STATE DRAWS DOWN THOSE DOLLARS ON A MONTHLY BASIS AND THEN THEY PROVIDE THOSE DOLLARS TO THE COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA. AND SO, WHAT THIS MEANS, THE TEMPORARY RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN IS THEY WILL NOT MAKE THOSE DOLLARS ACCESSIBLE TO THE STATE. SO RIGHT NOW, EVERYTHING IS ON HOLD AND THE DOLLARS WERE RELEASED AND WE WERE PROVIDED THE ADMIN DOLLARS. THE QUESTION MARK IS GOING FORWARD, HOW WILL THAT BE HANDLED? SO,

IT'S BASICALLY IMPACTING THE TIMELINE OF HOW THE DOLLARS WILL FLOW.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO, WHEN YOU SAY RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN, THAT MEANS THAT ONCE THE TRO EXPIRES, I MEAN, RESTRICTED, IT'S NOT RESTRICTED TO US, WE STILL CAN DRAW DOWN THE MONEY FROM THE STATE?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: BECAUSE IT'S BEEN HELD, AND I APOLOGIZE, I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT LEGAL LANGUAGE, BUT BECAUSE IT'S BEEN HELD, EVERYTHING IS STATUS QUO. BUT IF THEY FIND FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND THEY ALLOW THEM TO DO THIS, THEN THE DOLLARS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE AND THE STATE WILL HAVE TO DECIDE WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO US.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: OKAY I WANT TO TALK TO YOU OFF-LENGTH I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU SAY RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN TO ME THAT IMPLIES THAT WE HAVE TO ABIDE BY CERTAIN REGULATIONS IN ORDER TO PROVE THAT WE CAN PULL UP MONEY, BUT IT'S NOT THE CASE.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: WELL, WHAT THEY'RE ASKING FOR IS ALL OF THAT DATA TO BE PROVIDED BY THE 20TH.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: BY THE STATE, CORRECT?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: YES, FOR THE STATE TO PROVIDE ALL OF THAT DATA BY THE 20TH. AND THEN THAT WOULD IMPACT WHETHER OR NOT IT'S RESTRICTED OR NOT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO, IT'S RESTRICTED DRAWDOWN THAT IF THEY DO NOT COMPLY THAT THE MONEY WILL BE CUT OFF.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: CORRECT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THAT'S WHAT THE RESTRICTED SO IT DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH US DRAWING DOWN THE MONEY IT'S BETWEEN THE STATE AND THE FEDS BUT IT IMPACTS US.

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: YES.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: OKAY AND AGAIN JUST A YES OR NO WE ARE COMPLYING WITH THE STATE REGULATIONS, WHICH IN TURN COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL REGULATIONS, CORRECT?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: YES, ABSOLUTELY.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND THAT THE COUNTY, HAS THE COUNTY EXPANDED ANY OF THE CRITERIA OF WHAT WE ALLOW TO BE FUNDED THAT IS ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ALLOWS?

DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: NO, THE COUNTY HAS NOT DONE ANY OF THAT. NO.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: ALL RIGHT. I DROPPED THE MIC. THANK YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, VERY GOOD. THANK YOU ALL FOR SHOWING THE PANEL AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND FOR THE QUESTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD. LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. LENA SILVER, CYNTHIA MITCHELL-HIRD, AND DIEGO CARTAGENA. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 53G, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. STEPHANIE LIEM, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

STEPHANIE LIEM: GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS STEPHANIE LIEM AND I'M REPRESENTING END CHILD POVERTY CALIFORNIA AND THE REIMAGINE COWORKS COALITION. WE URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT THIS MOTION AND FIGHT TO RESTORE EVERY DOLLAR. LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAMILIES DESERVE STABILITY, NOT

UNCERTAINTY. AND WE URGE YOU TO RESTORE STABILITY TO THESE VITAL PROGRAMS THAT ARE A LIFELINE FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE FAMILIES TO MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS AND CREATE PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY. WE APPLAUD THE STATE OF NEW YORK'S ORDER ON MOTION FOR TRO, WHICH BLOCKS THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION FROM FREEZING $10,000,000,000 IN FUNDING FOR VITAL POVERTY FIGHTING PROGRAMS. WE CALL ON YOU TO JOIN THIS FIGHT IN SOLIDARITY AND PROTECT THE VERY PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT OUR MOST IN NEED. CALWORKS KEEPS CHILDREN FED KEEPS FAMILIES HOUSED AND HELPS PARENTS FIND AND KEEP WORK. CHILDCARE SUBSIDIES ARE HOW PARENTS STAYED EMPLOYED SSBG SUPPORTS SENIORS, YOUTH AND FAMILIES WORKING TO STAY TOGETHER. WE MUST NO --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AFTON BRANCH WILSON, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

AFTON BRANCHE-WILSON: WELL, MY NAME IS AFTON BRANCHE-WILSON I'M FROM CHRYSALIS I URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. WE HELP CLIENTS WITH BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT FIND AND MAINTAIN WORK. OUR CLIENTS RELY ON THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET TO MAKE ENDS MEET AS THEY TAKE STEPS TOWARD FINDING PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT. CALWORKS KEEPS THEIR CHILDREN FED AND KEEPS THEM HOUSED WHILE CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES HELP OUR CLIENTS HOLD DOWN THE JOBS THEY FOUGHT SO HARD TO SECURE. DECADES OF RESEARCH SHOWS THE POSITIVE BENEFITS OF SOCIAL SAFETY NET PAYMENTS ON

EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND EVEN PUBLIC SAFETY. THESE FUNDS ARE INVESTMENTS IN THE FUTURE OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND WE CANNOT LET THEM DRY UP. WE MUST NOT ALLOW THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PUSH FAMILIES AND RESIDENTS WHO ARE ALREADY AT THE MARGINS DEEPER INTO POVERTY. SO, I URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT THIS MOTION AND FIGHT TO RESTORE EVERY DOLLAR. L.A. COUNTY FAMILIES DESERVE CARE AND STABILITY, NOT CRUELTY. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213357. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED AND BEGIN.

PALOMA BUSTOS: HI, MY NAME IS PALOMA BUSTOS WITH THE SUNITA JAIN AND THE TRAFFIC INITIATIVE AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL. I'M IN SUPPORT OF MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SOLIS. FEDERAL FUNDING FREEZES LIKE THESE ARE NOT JUST BUDGET ISSUES, THEY ARE SAFETY ISSUES, ESPECIALLY FOR SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING. PROGRAMS LIKE CALWORK, CTDF, AND SSBG ARE OFTEN THE ONLY LIFELINE SURVIVORS HAVE TO LEAVE ABUSIVE SITUATIONS. CASH ASSISTANCE HELPS SOMEONE ESCAPE VIOLENCE. CHILD CARE ALLOWS THEM TO WORK AND ATTEND COURT. SUPPORT FOR HOUSING AND BASIC NEEDS PREVENTS THEM FROM BEING FORCED BACK INTO HARM. WHEN THESE SUPPORTS ARE DISRUPTED, SURVIVORS ARE LEFT WITH IMPOSSIBLE CHOICES. STAY WITH AN ABUSER, RETURN TO EXPLOITATION, OR RISK HOMELESSNESS. THAT INCREASES DANGER, TRAUMATIZATION, AND LONG-TERM HARM. I

APPRECIATE THE COUNTY'S PROACTIVE STEPS TO ASSESS IMPACT, PROTECT PRIVACY, COMMUNICATE CLEARLY AND PURSUE LEGAL ACTION. STANDING UP FOR THIS FUNDING MEANS STANDING FOR SURVIVOR SAFETY, DIGNITY AND FREEDOM. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. KAHO MAEDA, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.

KAHO MAEDA: AS THERE IS, MY NAME IS KAHO MAEDA AND I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC COUNCIL. FIRST, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. TODAY, I WANT TO URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT THIS MOTION AND FIGHT TO RESTORE EVERY DOLLAR TO PREVENT THE IMMEDIATE AND SEVERE IMPACTS OF THESE FUNDING ATTACKS. CALWORKS KEEPS CHILDREN FED, KEEPS FAMILIES HOUSED, AND HELPS PARENTS FIND AND KEEP WORK. FREEZING THESE FUNDS CUTS OFF CRITICAL FUNDS FOR BASIC HUMAN NEEDS LIKE FOOD AND HOUSING, PUSHING FAMILIES DEEPER INTO POVERTY. AND CHILDCARE SUBSIDIES UNDER CCDF ARE HOW PARENTS STAY EMPLOYED AND HOW MANY OF OUR CHILDCARE PROVIDER CLIENTS KEEP THEIR DOORS OPEN. WITHOUT THEM, FAMILIES LOSE INCOME AND EMPLOYERS LOSE WORKERS. AGAIN, THIS PUSHES SOME OF THE COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE FAMILIES DEEPER INTO POVERTY. WE THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR EFFORT TO STOP THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM PUNISHING FAMILIES AND RESIDENTS WHO ARE ALREADY AT THE MARGINS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 909595, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED AND BEGIN.

ROY HUMPHREYS: THANK YOU, ROY HUMPHRIES, ROWLAND HEIGHTS. SO MANY FAMILIES STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE IN THE FIFTH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD FOR SEVEN YEARS. WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? THIS BOARD IS A DEAN OF CORRUPTION ON SO MANY LEVELS OF LIES, FRAUD, DECEPTION, PERVERSION, BUT NOW THE HOUSE OF CARDS IS FINALLY COMING DOWN. THANKS TO PRESIDENT TRUMP, IT IS TIME TO PAY THE PIPER. YOU BUILT YOUR HOUSE ON THE SANDS OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION, AND THE TRUMP STORM OF JUSTICE WILL WASH YOUR MORAL DECAY TO THE OCEAN OF OBLIVION. THE TERM ILLEGAL AS TO IMMIGRATION IS THE ALBATROSS AROUND YOUR NECK. GOD PROTECT, PROTECT PRESIDENT TRUMP FROM THE DEMOCRAT ASSASINS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323652. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

BYRON JOSE: GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS BYRON JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S DEPUTIES AND TEAM FOR ENGAGING DIFFERENT PARTNERS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND THE COUNTY, AND ALSO THE PALO ALTO COALITIONS AND STAKEHOLDERS ON THIS MATTER. THANK YOU TO THE CHAIR SOLIS FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION AND THE REST OF THE

BOARD FOR SUPPORTING THIS WORK BEYOND DEVELOPING THESE POLICIES AND INFRASTRUCTURES TO BETTER RESPOND TO THESE NEEDS AND MAKING SURE THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE NOT BEING NEGATIVELY IMPACTED. WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE BOARD AS WE ALSO ALIGN OUR BUDGET TO CONTINUE TO GROW OUR CARE FIRST BUT ALSO MAKING SURE THAT THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES ARE STANDING. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323818, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

ANTHONY: HEY, GOOD DAY, MY NAME IS ANTHONY, BORN DIANA, VERSUS LA JUAN, VERSUS THE OIL RICH PROPERTY THAT TRI STARS ON TODAY.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: SIR THIS IS ITEM NUMBER 53G YOU NEED TO KEEP YOUR REMARKS ON THAT.

ANTHONY: YES GET INTO THAT THE STATE OF WAR IS A STATE OF ENMITY AND DESTRUCTION THAT HAS BEEN FOUGHT AGAINST ME AND MY FAMILY. I HAVE A SIX-YEAR-OLD AND A FOUR-YEAR-OLD.

DAWYN R. HARRISON: SIR, YOU NEED TO, YOU CAN SPEAK DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

ANTHONY: YES, IT'S ABOUT PROPERTY. I'M IN L.A.,

HOMELESS BECAUSE JOELLE COWRY, ATTORNEY FOR THOMAS SHEPROSE, SHEPROSE --

DAWYN R. HARRISON: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. YOU CAN SPEAK DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: OKAY. MADAM, MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 53G IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

LINA SILVER: HI AGAIN, I'M LENA SILVER FROM NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES. WE THANK THE BOARD FOR TAKING SWIFT AND COMPREHENSIVE ACTION TO ADDRESS THE CERTAIN EMERGENCY THAT WOULD UNFOLD FOR L.A.'S MOST VULNERABLE FAMILIES AND THEIR CHILDREN IF COW WORKS BENEFITS AND CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES LAPSE FOR EVEN A BRIEF TIME. WE ALSO THANK DPSS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN ADMINISTERING CALWORKS EACH DAY AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION IN THE CEO'S OFFICE FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN FIGHTING POVERTY. MANY OF OUR LEGAL AID AND SOCIAL SERVICES CLIENTS SUBSIST ON THEIR COW WORKS MONTHLY GRANT ALONE. IT'S HOW THEY MAKE THEIR RENT, STAY IN SCHOOL AND AT WORK AND PUT SHOES ON THEIR CHILDREN'S FEET. SO MANY ARE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, FORMER FOSTER YOUTH AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES. ANY ACTION THE BOARD CAN TAKE TO PROTECT THESE CHILDREN AND

FAMILIES FROM THE HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS THEY WOULD CERTAINLY EXPERIENCE WITH A SUDDEN LOSS OF THESE BENEFITS IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED AND WILL SAVE LIVES. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CYNTHIA MITCHELL-HEARD: GOOD AFTERNOON. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST COMMEND SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS BY BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD TODAY. YOU ARE STANDING IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE COMMUNITIES WE ALL SERVE. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA MITCHELL-HEARD, AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE. I STAND BEFORE YOU TODAY REPRESENTING COMMUNITIES THAT ARE TOO OFTEN UNHEARD, URBAN WORKING FAMILIES, WORKING CLASS, MARGINALIZED RESIDENTS ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO RELY ON GOVERNMENT NOT FOR RHETORIC, BUT FOR ACTION. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO FREEZE FUNDING FOR THE CRITICAL SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS IS NOT JUST MISGUIDED, IT IS DEEPLY HARMFUL. IT IS A COLD AND CALCULATED BLOW TO THE VERY COMMUNITIES THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE WAS FOUNDED TO SERVE. THESE ACTIONS IMPOSE UNNECESSARY AND UNCONSCIONABLE BURDENS ON THE FAMILIES IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, EAST LOS ANGELES, AND ACROSS THE COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES URBAN LEAGUE STRONGLY OPPOSES THE FREEZE ON SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

DIEGO CARTAGENA: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. DIEGO CARTAGENA ON BEHALF OF BET TZEDEK, WHICH FOR DECADES HAS PROVIDED FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO SENIORS AND VULNERABLE FAMILIES ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE FEDERAL FREEZES ON CALWORKS, CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES AND SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS IS NOT AN ABSTRACT POLICY CHANGE. IT IS A DIRECT THREAT TO THE PEOPLE WE SERVE EVERY DAY. THESE PROGRAMS ARE LIFELINES FOR SENIORS WHO RELY ON IN-HOME SUPPORT AND FOR YOUTH AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE WHO NEED STABILITY TO AVOID HOMELESSNESS. SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS FUNDS CRITICAL PROGRAMS THAT ALLOW OLDER ADULTS TO REMAIN SAFELY IN THEIR HOMES. WITHOUT THESE SUPPORTS SENIORS FACE INCREASED ISOLATION, HEALTH RISKS, POTENTIAL INSTITUTIONALIZATION, AND INCREASED SUSCEPTIBILITY TO ABUSE. FOR CURRENT AND FORMER FOSTER YOUTH, CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES AND CALWORKS ARE ESSENTIAL. MANY ARE YOUNG PARENTS STRIVING TO COMPLETE SCHOOL OR MAINTAIN EMPLOYMENT. FREEZING THESE FUNDS MEANS THEY RISK LOSING JOBS, HOUSING, PERPETUATING CYCLES OF INSTABILITY. THIS MOTION IS ABOUT MORE THAN DOLLARS, DIGNITY AND SURVIVAL AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT IT. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. OH, I'M SORRY. IS THERE SOMEBODY ELSE?

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SO, ONE MORE.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, WITH THAT, THEN THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I WILL SECOND IT. TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, COULD I READ IN JUST FOR CLARIFICATION FOR THE RECORD THE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE THE COUNTY COUNSEL JUST PROVIDED TO US?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: OKAY, SO THE ITEM 53G IS AMENDED AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU TO DIRECT, TO ADD 4D TO DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO MONITOR ANY LEGAL ACTION, CHALLENGING THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION'S FREEZING OF FEDERAL FUNDING IN CHILDCARE AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS, AND IN COLLABORATION WITH RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO FILE, JOIN AS A PARTY, AND OR SUPPORT ANY LITIGATION FILED. THE ITEM 53 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. AS AMENDED, MOVE BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I'LL SECOND. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL. AS AMENDED.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION PASSES, 5-0.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVING ON.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MOVING ON. MADAM CHAIR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER HAS A MOTION RELATED TO ESTABLISHING A REWARD. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR A VOTE FOLLOWING PUBLIC COMMENT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 11TH, THE PASADENA JEWISH TEMPLE AND CENTER, A PLACE OF WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY THAT HAD ALREADY ENDURED THE DEVASTATION OF THE EATON FIRE, WAS ONCE AGAIN STUCK BY TRAGEDY. THIS TIME, IT WAS TARGETED IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE A HATE-MOTIVATED ACT OF VANDALISM. THE INCIDENT IS MORE THAN AN ATTACK ON A BUILDING. IT'S AN ATTACK ON THE VALUES WE HOLD DEAR, RESPECT, INCLUSION, AND UNDERSTANDING. IT HAS DEEPLY IMPACTED A COMMUNITY THAT IS STILL IN THE PROCESS OF REBUILDING HOMES, LIVES, AND A SENSE OF NORMALCY. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS LEADING THE INVESTIGATION AS AND HAS CONFIRMED THIS IS BEING TREATED AS A POTENTIAL HATE CRIME. WE CANNOT AND WILL NOT TOLERATE ACTS OF HATE IN OUR COUNTY. WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY. WE REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO ENSURING THAT LOS

ANGELES COUNTY REMAINS A PLACE WHERE EVERY PERSON FEELS SAFE, RESPECTED, AND VALUED. FOR THIS REASON, I'M INTRODUCING A REWARD MOTION TODAY AND URGE ANYONE WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THIS CRIME TO EITHER CONTACT THE ALPHADENA SHERIFF'S STATION, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S MAJOR CRIMES BUREAU HATE CRIMES TASK FORCE, OR THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CRIME STOPPERS HOTLINE. THE MOTION READS AS FOLLOW, I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ESTABLISH THE OFFER OF A REWARD AMOUNT OF $10,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE IDENTIFICATION, APPREHENSION, AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE VANDALISM AND ALLEGED HATE CRIME AT THE PASADENA JEWISH TEMPLE AND CENTER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY DISCUSSION FROM MEMBERS? IF NOT,

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: I WOULD SECOND THE MOTION.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SECOND THE MOTION, OKAY, ANY DISCUSSION? PUBLIC.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE ALSO, DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT? ON THIS ITEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON

SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: BUT WE CAN GO AHEAD AND VOTE ON THE ITEM. YES, OKAY, SO WE'LL HOLD FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY, VERY GOOD. ALRIGHTY, THEN LET'S MOVE ON.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: ALL RIGHT, SO WE'LL MOVE ON TO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON SUBJECT MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION, BUT NOT ON ITEMS ON THE MEETING AGENDA. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE, OR PRESS STAR THREE IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JOSEPH RAMOS, OSCAR MARTINEZ, RENISHA HUBBARD, KADIM BOOTH, AND JOSEPH RAMOS.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: FOR THE PUBLIC, THIS IS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE MOTION FOR THE REWARD.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS THESE ITEMS, IF

YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR THREE ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 909595. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.

ROY HUMPHREYS: ROY HUMPHREYS, ROWLAND HEIGHTS. DISCUSSING PRESENTATION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SANCTIONING CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF I.C.E. AND FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT OF THE IMMIGRATION LAWS WITH PERPETUITY OF THE, AND PERPETUATION OF THE ACTS OF A DEMOCRAT PARTY OF ASSASSIN, PERVERT, AND CHILD MOLESTERS FOR POLITICAL GAIN IS ABHORRENT. THIS IS SET THE STAGE FOR UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES BY AIDING AND ABETTING THE VIOLATION OF FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAWS. SEE GREG GUTFELD, THE FOX NEWS LAST NIGHT FOR TRUTH AND ENLIGHTENMENT. THIS BOARD IS AS MUCH THE CAUSE OF RENEE GOOD'S DEATH BY DISREGARDING THE RULE OF LAW FOR POLITICAL GAIN AS SHE WAS FOR DISREGARDING HER CHILDREN'S WELFARE. GOD PROTECT PRESIDENT TRUMP AND AMERICA FROM THE DEMOCRAT ASSASSINS AND TREASONS AS TO MURDER YOU AND YOUR ESTEEMED COUNSEL SHOULD HAVE YOUR MOUTHS WASHED OUT WITH THE LIVE SOAP AND LET'S GET OUT THERE AND GET STEVE HILTON FOR GOVERNOR, NEXT GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323818, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER 32 --

TELEPHONE SPEAKER: IT'S KIND OF CRAZY, HELLO, YEAH, THIS DAY, IT'S KIND OF CRAZY THAT HE, THAT GUY'S ALLOWED TO SAY ALL OF THAT AND I WASN'T EVEN ALLOWED TO FINISH WHAT I WOULD WHAT I WAS SAYING ABOUT SENO 0621533 COMING TO MY HOUSE AT 1:30 IN THE MORNING, AUGUST 1 AND REMOVED ME EVEN THOUGH I WON. I WON THAT CASE AND JOEL COWRIE, HOW IS HE? HOW WAS HE ABLE TO BE HE JUDGED OVER LIKE UNLAWFUL DETAINERS IN L.A. COUNTY? THAT IS NOT EVEN UNLAWFUL DETAINER IS NOT AN EVICTION CASE. THAT'S ONE. AND HE WAS THOMAS SHEPARD'S ATTORNEY. LIKE HE WAS THE ATTORNEY FOR THOMAS SHEPARD'S. HOW WERE YOU? HOW WAS HE COMMISSIONING OVER CASES? AND I EVEN SAID, I SAID, I DON'T WANT YOU TO COMMISSION OVER MY CASE AND HE STILL HE WOULDN'T ALLOW ME. I'M HOMELESS IN CALIFORNIA I WAS WARNING DIANA LOT 1 VERSUS WEST BANK, DEMORA --

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

OSCAR MARTINEZ: MY NAME IS OSCAR MARTINEZ. CONTINUE USING THE MINUTE ALLOWED TO NARRATE THE ATTACKS BY GANGS AGAINST WORKSHOPS. I HAVE WITNESSED ALL ORGANIZED CRIME TO OPERATE WITHIN STATE OFFICES LIKE LABOR COMMISSION, WHERE ASSAULTS BY ARTURO CORZANTES, ROSA MORILLO, AND STEVE WAGNER REMAIN

IMPUNISHABLE, ENABLING THEM TO STEAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS AND THUS ENCOURAGE CRIME IN THE COMMUNITIES, DESTROYING THE GOOD FAITH AND FINANICALS OF TAXPAYERS. ON DECEMBER 15, I WAS TELLING YOU ABOUT THE ABUSE AT MONJA HOUSE WORKSHOP. HE RECOMMENDED TO ESTABLISH A, TO FILE A WAGE CLAIM. A COUPLE MONTHS LATER, I RECEIVED AN ACCOUNT FROM THE LABOR COMMISSION OFFICE INFORMING ME THAT THERE WILL BE A PAYMENT SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE. AT THERE, SOME COWORKERS WHO I HAVE FORMED STRONG FRIENDSHIP TOLD ME THAT MUNKAHA WAS BRUTALLY BEATEN, BRUTALLY BEATEN BY A GOVERNMENT WHO ENTERED IN THE WORKSHOP WITH THE HELP OF OTHER MUNKAHA EMPLOYEES, LEAVING HIM UNWITTING. SO, THE AMBULANCE HAD TO TAKE HIM AWAY UNWITTING. IS IT RATIONAL?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. MADAM SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: MADAM CHAIR, IF SOMEONE OVER HERE COULD GIVE HIM THE NAME OF, I TRIED TO EXPLAIN TO HIM THAT THIS IS A STATE ISSUE. IF THEY COULD TELL HIM WHO HIS, BECAUSE I KNOW HE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOUR OFFICE, HE LIVES IN YOUR DISTRICT, BUT IT'S A STATE ISSUE. SO, IF SOMEONE COULD GET HIS ADDRESS AND GIVE HIM THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE THAT HE CAN CONTACT, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL, BECAUSE HE KEEPS COMING DOWN HERE AND IT'S A STATE ISSUE THAT HE SHOULD BE DEALING WITH. THANK YOU.

MS. HUBBARD: OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER. HI, I'M MS. HUBBARD, RAYNISHA HUBBARD. I'VE BEEN WRITING TO EVERYBODY, FIGHTING FOR MY KIDS, 19 YEARS. NOW I HAVE MY BEAUTIFUL SON BACK AFTER 19 YEARS FIGHTING, REACHING OUT TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, BRANDON, AND NOW WE NEED TO MOVE BECAUSE WE ARE LIVING IN THE TRAUMA. AND WE NEED A THREE-BEDROOM. I PROVIDED THE DOCUMENTS. I PROVIDED THE MEDICAL DOCUMENTS. I PROVIDED EVERYTHING THAT THEY ASKED US FOR ME AND MY FAMILY TO MOVE FORWARD. NOW MY DAUGHTER, DCFS, PUT HER IN A SHELTER, HER AND MY GRANDSON. WE'RE JUST TRYING TO MOVE FORWARD, CLOSE THIS CHAPTER IN OUR LIVES. THIS HAS BEEN A LONG 11 YEARS. I AM EXHAUSTED MENTALLY, PHYSICALLY, PSYCHOLOGICALLY, EMOTIONALLY, AND NOW I'M JUST TRYING TO FIX IT FOR MY BABY BOY OVER HERE AND MY DAUGHTER AND MY GRANDSON. I'M 35 YOUNG AND I'M A YOUNG GRANDMA AND I JUST WANT MY FAMILY TOGETHER.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

J.C.: OKAY. IT'S J.C. ON SIMON. FIRST, I WANTED TO SAY THAT IT ISN'T FAIR THAT THEY DON'T LET US SEE OUR PARENTS. WHEN I WAS IN FOSTER CARE, I FELT LIKE THE ONLY THING THEY CARE ABOUT WAS MONEY, THEN HELPING ME AND OTHER KIDS GET BACK TO THEIR PARENTS. AND I NEVER GOT TO SEE MY MOM UNTIL SHE KEPT FIGHTING FOR US, ADVOCATING FOR US AND SHE'S JUST TRYING TO GET US TO MOVE AND I'VE BEEN TRYING TO HELP HER WITH

CLEANING AND MOVING FORWARD SO YEAH THAT'S BASICALLY EVERYTHING.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WELL, WE CAN HAVE STAFF ALSO SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT HOUSING AND ALL OF THAT. SO, IF YOU DON'T MIND, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING DOWN, BOTH OF YOU, OKAY? PLEASE, LET'S HAVE STAFF.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES OUR TIME FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WE WILL NOW VOTE ON THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, THE REWARD ESTABLISHMENT FOR THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE VANDALISM OF THE PASADENA JEWISH TEMPLE AND CENTER. TEMPLE AND CENTER.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MOVE BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY HORVATH. CALL THE ROLL.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: AYE.

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

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: AYE.

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

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AYE.

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

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: AYE.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5 TO 0. WE WILL NOW PROCEED WITH OUR ADJOURNMENTS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES. LET US START THEN WITH DISTRICT 3, 4, 5, 1, AND 2. HORVATH.

SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KEITH PORTER JR WITH DEEP RESPECT AND SADNESS. WE REMEMBER THE LIFE OF KEITH PORTER JR., A FATHER, SON, BROTHER, AND MEMBER OF THE NORTHRIDGE COMMUNITY WHO WAS KILLED ON DECEMBER 31, 2025, AT THE AGE OF 43. KEITH WAS KNOWN TO HIS LOVED ONES AS A WARM, JOYFUL, AND GENEROUS SPIRIT. HE WAS A DEVOTED FATHER TO HIS TWO DAUGHTERS AND WAS DEEPLY CHERISHED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THOSE WHO KNEW HIM REMEMBER HIS HUMOR, HIS KINDNESS, AND THE WAY HE SHOWED UP FOR THE PEOPLE HE LOVED. KEITH'S LIFE WAS TRAGICALLY CUT SHORT DURING AN ENCOUNTER INVOLVING AN OFF-DUTY FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AGENT. VIGILS HELD IN HIS HONOR REFLECTED BOTH PROFOUND GRIEF AND A COLLECTIVE DEMAND FOR DIGNITY AND TRUTH. AS WE REMEMBER KEITH PORTER JR., WE ALSO PAUSE TO HONOR ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN KILLED OR INJURED IN ENCOUNTERS INVOLVING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AND TO RECOGNIZE THE LASTING PAIN CARRIED BY THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. THEIR LIVES MATTER AND THEIR STORIES DESERVE TO BE REMEMBERED WITH COMPASSION AND CARE. KEITH PORTER JR. WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR THE LOVE HE HAD FOR HIS TWO DAUGHTERS, THE JOY HE BROUGHT TO THOSE AROUND HIM, AND THE LIFE HE LIVED WITHIN HIS COMMUNITY. HIS MEMORY WILL ENDURE THROUGH THE PEOPLE WHO LOVED HIM AND THROUGH THE CONTINUED CALL FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND HUMANITY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. LET'S MOVE ON.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PEDRO RODRIGUEZ WHO PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 1ST AT THE AGE OF 56. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF DOWNEY. PEDRO WAS A FAMILY MAN, AN ACTIVE UTLA MEMBER, AND AN EDUCATOR. HE WAS BELOVED BY ADMINISTRATORS, TEACHERS, AND FAMILIES AT WALNUT PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WHERE HE SERVED AS A FOURTH GRADE DUAL LANGUAGE TEACHER. PEDRO HELPED ORGANIZE ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE SCHOOL'S FORKLORICO DANCE TEAM. HE ADVOCATED FOR BETTER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, WORKING CONDITIONS, AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR HIS COLLEAGUES AND THE STUDENT BODY. HIS UNEXPECTED LOSS HAS BEEN HARD FOR ALL WHO KNEW HIM. PEDRO IS SURVIVED BY HIS FAMILY AND THE STUDENTS AND FACULTY OF WALNUT PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, LET'S MOVE ON TO THE FIFTH.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF RICHARD PETER BLAKE, DEVOTED FATHER, BELOVED SON, BROTHER AND FRIEND WHO PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 3, 2025, AT THE AGE OF 54. BORN ON JANUARY

20, 1971, RICHARD WAS THE CHERISHED SON OF JOAN SCHMIDT AND THE LATE RICHARD DALE BLAKE. HE WAS A LOVING AND DEVOTED FATHER TO RICKY, JENNIFER, AND JACOB BLAKE, AND A BELOVED BROTHER TO KAREN SCHMIDT AND CHRISTINE DRESMAN. RICHARD ATTENDED LA SALLE HIGH SCHOOL AND PASADENA CITY COLLEGE, WHERE HE CULTIVATED A LIFELONG LOVE OF HISTORY AND LEARNING. KNOWN FOR HIS DEEP KNOWLEDGE OF HISTORY, RICHARD ENJOYED SHARING HIS INSIGHTS WITH OTHERS AND WAS ALWAYS EAGER TO HELP THOSE AROUND HIM LEARN AND GROW. HE ALSO POSSESSED STRONG COMPUTER SKILLS WHICH HE GENEROUSLY USED TO ASSIST FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND OTHERS IN NEED. FOR SEVERAL YEARS, HE WORKED IN THE SECURITY FIELD, WHERE HE FORMED LASTING FRIENDSHIPS AND EARNED THE RESPECT OF HIS COLLEAGUES. RICHARD IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, JOAN SCHMIDT, WHO SERVES AS SECRETARY OF THE MONROVIA ARCADIA-DUARTE TOWN COUNCIL, HIS SIBLINGS, CHILDREN, AND MANY LOVED ONES WHO WILL CONTINUE TO HONOR HIS MEMORY. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS FATHER, RICHARD DALE BLAKE. RICHARD WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS KINDNESS, INTELLIGENCE, WILLINGNESS TO HELP OTHERS, AND THE DEEP LOVE HE HAD FOR HIS FAMILY. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHRISTINE MOORE, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF ALTADENA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 62 ON JANUARY 4TH. SHE BEGAN HER WORKING LIFE AS A WAITRESS, THEN A RESTAURANT MANAGER AND A CATERER. UNTIL TO FULFILL A CHILDHOOD DREAM, SHE TOOK A FEW EXTENSION CLASSES IN BAKING. SHE STUDIED AS AN UNPAID APPRENTICE IN PARIS UNDER A MASTER PASTRY CHEF, BREAD

MAKER, AND CHOCOLATIER. CHRISTINE WAS A PASTRY CHEF AT JULIAN IN SAN MARINO AND MANAGER FOR GREEN STREET RESTAURANT IN PASADENA. IN 2007, SHE OPENED THE POPULAR CAFE AND BAKERY, LITTLE FLOWER IN PASADENA. IN 2015, CHRISTINE OPENED HER SECOND CAFE, LINCOLN, NEAR THE BORDER OF ALTADENA AND PASADENA. SHE AUTHORED TWO COOKBOOKS, LITTLE FLOWER, RECIPES FROM THE CAFE, AND LITTLE FLOWER BAKING. SHE REMEMBERED AS A RADIANT AND LOVING SOUL BY HER FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND ALL THAT HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HER AND WORKING WITH HER. HER KINDNESS TOUCHED EVERYONE SHE MET, AND AS SHE PURSUED, HER DREAMS WITH UNWAVERING PASSION. CHRISTINE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, MADDIE, AVERY, AND COLIN. AND LAST, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN A MEMORY OF MICHAEL REAGAN, A RESIDENT OF TOLUCA LAKE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80 ON JANUARY 4TH. HE WAS THE SON OF FORMER U.S. PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN AND HIS FIRST WIFE, ACTRESS JANE WYMAN. MICHAEL MARRIED COLLEEN STEARNS IN 1975 AND THEY HAD TWO CHILDREN TOGETHER. HE BEGAN HIS WORK IN TALK RADIO AS A GUEST HOST ON KBC IN L.A. HE LATER LANDED A TALK SHOW SPOT ON KSDO RADIO IN SAN DIEGO AND EVENTUALLY HOSTED THE MICHAEL REAGAN SHOW NATIONWIDE. REAGAN DEDICATED MUCH OF HIS TIME TO SEVERAL CHARITIES, RAISING MONEY FOR THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION THROUGH POWER BOAT RACING, SERVING AS CHAIRMAN OF THE JOHN DOUGLAS FRENCH ALZHEIMER'S FOUNDATION, AND AS A LEADER OF THE REAGAN LEGACY FOUNDATION FOCUSING ON GLOBAL PEACE, DEMOCRACY, AND EDUCATION.

HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE COLLEEN AND THEIR CHILDREN ASHLEY AND CAMERON. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TODAY I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF ALFREDO MAEZ, THE FATHER OF MY SENIOR FIELD DEPUTY EVA THIEL MAEZ. ALFREDO MAEZ WAS BORN ON MAY 18, 1933, IN HIDALGO, MEXICO AND PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 15, 2025, IN POMONA. ALFREDO CAME TO THE U.S. AT A YOUNG AGE. HE HAD AN AUDACIOUS DREAM TO MAKE IT IN A NEW LAND, TO START A FAMILY AND GIVE THEM OPPORTUNITIES THAT HE COULD ONLY EVER DREAM OF. HE WORKED HIS WAY UP FROM THE BRACERO PROGRAM PICKING ORANGES UNDER THE ENDLESS CALIFORNIA ORANGE GROVES TO A CAMP COOK, STABBING AWAY AT THE BLAZING CAULDRONS COOKING OF UPWARDS OF 150 MEALS FOR MEN AT THAT TIME, EVENTUALLY FINDING OPPORTUNITY IN THE STABLES BEHIND LEGENDARY HORSE RACING TRACKS. HE CONTINUED WORKING 12 HOURS NIGHT SHIFTS, MAKING SURE HIS FAMILY WAS TAKEN CARE OF. HE TAUGHT HIS CHILDREN TO FIX THEIR OWN CARS, NAVIGATE NEW CITIES, AND EVEN MAKING SURE THEIR SOPA DE FIDEO WAS SEASONED JUST RIGHT. HE TAUGHT THEM DEDICATION, GETTING UP AT WORK AT 6 A.M. AND THEN TAKING HIS GIRLS TO SCHOOL AT 7 A.M. AND WAITING FOR THEM EVERYDAY AT 3 P.M. FAITHFULLY. ON WEEKENDS HE WAS UP AND READY TO CELEBRATE, BARBECUES, BOXING MATCHES, BIRTHDAYS AND BAPTISMS. HE MADE TIME FOR EVERYONE. MY HEART GOES OUT TO EVA AND HER FAMILY. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF BURT

BOULANT, A KIND, CREATIVE, DEEPLY COMMITTED CIVIC LEADER WHOSE LIFE MADE A LASTING IMPACT ON LOS ANGELES AND ON THE BROADER DEMOCRATIC COMMUNITY IN CALIFORNIA. BURT WAS BORN IN PONTIAC, MICHIGAN ON APRIL 16, 1937. HE EVENTUALLY MADE HIS WAY TO LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE DEDICATED HIS TIME TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT IN THE POLITICAL SYSTEM. HE WAS A COMMITTED DEMOCRAT, GRASSROOTS ACTIVIST, AND A TIRELESS VOLUNTEER, GIVING GENEROUSLY OF HIS TIME AND ENERGY TO HELP ELECT DEMOCRATS AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. BURT BECAME INVOLVED IN THE POLITICAL ORGANIZING THROUGH HIS PARTNER, GARY SHEA, THROUGH THE STONEWALL DEMOCRATIC CLUB, WHERE GARY SERVED AS MEMBERSHIP CHAIR. TOGETHER THEY WORKED ON CAMPAIGNS, CONVENTIONS, RECOUNTS, PARTY ACTIVITIES, HELPING BUILD A MORE INCLUSIVE POLITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN L.A. COUNTY. BURT WENT ON TO SERVE AS CO-CHAIR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, REPRESENTED THE COUNTY PARTY AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND SERVED ON AS AN ALTERNATE TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE. HIS LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION WERE WIDELY RECOGNIZED. IN 1999, HE RECEIVED THE CHAIR'S AWARD FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY. IN 2003, HE WAS HONORED AS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR FOR THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY, REGION 13. IN 2004, LOS ANGELES DEMOCRATIC PARTY NAMED HIM THE FRANKLIN AND ELEANOR ROOSEVELT DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR, RECOGNIZING HIS OUTSTANDING RECORD OF CIVIC SERVICE. BURT PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY ON JANUARY 1, 2026,

AND IS SURVIVED BY GARY AND A WIDE COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, STUDENTS, AND FELLOW ACTIVISTS WHO CARRY HIS MEMORY FORWARD. HE LEAVES BEHIND A LEGACY OF CREATIVITY, LAUGHTER, CIVIC PARTICIPATION, AND GENUINE CONNECTION. I DON'T KNOW IF ANYONE WANTS TO JOIN ME. OKAY, FOUR OF US? OKAY. NEXT MEMBERS I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CATHERINE ALBERTA KENNEBREW COOPER WHO WAS A RESIDENT OF POMONA AND THE MOTHER OF MAY LINDA F. COOPER, ONE OF THE MOST ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE NAACP POMONA VALLEY BRANCH. CATHERINE WAS BORN ON OCTOBER 6, 1949, IN OHIO AND PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 1, 2025, IN POMONA. SHE GRADUATED FROM RICHARDS BEAUTY COLLEGE IN 1982 AND WORKED AT REGIS BEAUTY SALON IN POMONA FOR TWO YEARS. SHE THEN WENT ON TO GRADUATE FROM MT. SAC COLLEGE IN 1984 WITH AN EMPHASIS ON CHILD DEVELOPMENT. THROUGHOUT HER CAREER, SHE WORKED AT THE SALVATION ARMY PRESCHOOL IN POMONA, AND SHE ALSO WORKED AT THE NEW GETSEMANE CHURCH WHERE SHE HAD A, SHE WAS A MEMBER FOR SEVERAL YEARS LEADING THE GOD CARES PROGRAM FOR HOMELESS AND LESS FORTUNATE. CATHERINE WAS A WOMAN OF DEEP FAITH WHO WAS DEVOTED TO HER FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND EXHIBITED A CARING SPIRIT FOR THOSE LESS FORTUNATE IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS LOVING, SUPPORTIVE, WELCOMING, AND UPLIFTING TO ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DAVID KENNEBREW, DAUGHTER, MELINDA F. COOPER, SON, JAMEL KENNEBREW, AND A LOVING COMMUNITY OF GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, SIBLINGS AND FRIENDS. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE

ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF FRED FELHEIM, A RESIDENT AND DEDICATED VOLUNTEER OF THE CITY OF COVINA FOR OVER 20 YEARS. HIS VAST ARRAY OF VOLUNTEERISM INCLUDED SERVING ON THE FOLLOWING. FRIENDS OF THE COVINA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD, THE COVINA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE COVINA CHRISTMAS PARADE COMMITTEE, AND AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR OVER 20 YEARS ON THE COVINA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. HE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER WITH THE COVINA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND A GUIDE FOR THE HISTORICAL SCHOOL TOUR PROGRAM CONDUCTED AT COVINA CITY HALL AND THE FIREHOUSE MUSEUM. IN 2017, HE WAS AWARDED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR OLDER ADULTS, OLDER AMERICANS RECOGNITION DAY AWARD. FRED SHARED A LOVE OF TRAVEL, PASSION, PERSEVERANCE, AND PASSING ON A RICH HISTORY TO MANY IN COVINA. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF JIM SCHOENGARTH. JIM WAS BORN IN LOS ANGELES ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1952. HE GRADUATED FROM BELLARMINE JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL IN BURBANK IN 1970 AND EARNED HIS BA OF PSYCHOLOGY AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE AND LATER A MASTER'S IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AT CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY. JIM STARTED COUNTY SERVICE IN 1977 AS A PROBATION TRAINEE. HE WAS A PROUD PROBATION EMPLOYEE WHERE HE SERVED FOR 46 YEARS UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN 2023. HE ALSO SERVED AS A PRESIDENT OF THE SUPERVISING DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FROM 2013 TO 2022. JIM MENTORED MANY, INCLUDING THE CURRENT PROBATION ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT REGGIE TORRES, WHO SHARED THAT JIM

CONSISTENTLY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING STRONG, PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY LEADERSHIP, STATE LEGISLATORS, AND WORKING COLLABORATIVELY TO BETTER SERVE THE ASSOCIATION'S MEMBERS AND YOUTH ENTRUSTED IN THEIR CARE. JIM'S COMMITMENT TO PARTNERSHIP AND PUBLIC SERVICE CONTINUES TODAY TO GUIDE THE WORK OF THE PROBATION ASSOCIATION. JIM IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBARA, HIS STEPCHILDREN, ALLISON, JENNIFER, JUSTIN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS BROTHERS, SCOTT AND JOHN, AS WELL AS NUMEROUS COUSINS AND NIECES AND NEPHEWS. AND I SEE THAT WE HAVE SOME GUESTS REPRESENTING PROBATION IN THE AUDIENCE. THANK YOU FOR COMING. THANK YOU. ALL MEMBERS? ALL MEMBERS. AND FINALLY, MEMBERS, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF ROBERT EISEN, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS BOB. BOB WAS BORN IN COVINA IN 1932 AND PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 25TH AT THE AGE OF 93. HE WAS A LIFELONG MEMBER AND SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE COVINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND COVINA JAILHOUSE MUSEUM, HELPING TO PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF ONE OF THE OLDEST CITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HE TAUGHT AP AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN HISTORY AT COVINA HIGH SCHOOL, THE SAME SCHOOL HE GRADUATED FROM BACK IN 1950. MANY STUDENTS REMEMBER HIS KNACK FOR MAKING WHAT CAN BE A DRY SUBJECT COME ALIVE. AFTER HE RETIRED AS A TEACHER HE CONTINUED TO VOLUNTEER AT COVINA HIGH SCHOOL HELPING STUDENTS STUDY FOR THEIR AP HISTORY EXAMS AND LEADING THE CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIP FEDERATION CLUB. HE WOULD ALSO TAKE STUDENTS FROM

COVINA HIGH TO WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL LUNCHEONS WHERE STUDENTS WOULD GET TO HEAR SPEECHES FROM AMBASSADORS, AUTHORS AND OTHER DIGNITARIES, SOMETHING NOT MANY STUDENTS WOULD OTHERWISE EVER HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO. HE TAUGHT AT COVINA HIGH SCHOOL FOR OVER 35 YEARS, NEVER MISSING A DAY OF WORK AND RETIRING IN 1998. HE WAS NAMED THE HONOR FACULTY COUNTLESS TIMES AS WELL AS RECEIVING THE PTA HONORARY SERVICE AWARD AND WAS EVEN NICKNAMED MR. COVINA. ALMOST EVERY SUMMER HE WOULD TRAVEL TO DIFFERENT PLACES AROUND THE WORLD OR IN THE UNITED STATES. HE HAD TRAVELED TO EVERY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, MISSING ONLY LIBYA, WHICH HE HAD PLANNED TO VISIT THIS YEAR. AND OF THE 427 UNITS IN THE US NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM, HE HAD BEEN TO ABOUT 400. HIS TRAVEL ADVENTURES WERE EVEN FEATURED IN THE TRAVELER CENTURY CLUB WHICH IS A CLUB FOR THOSE WHO HAVE VISITED 100 OR MORE OF THE WORLD'S COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES. MY HEART GOES OUT TO HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, AND COVINA COMMUNITY AND I SEE HE HAVE ONE OF HIS FORMER STUDENTS IN THE AUDIENCE SO THANK YOU FOR COMING AND THOSE ARE THE ADJOURNMENTS WITH THAT OBJECTION THOSE WILL BE SECONDED AND THEY I'M SORRY OH MY GOD I'M SORRY, I WAS GOING ON AND ON. I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. COLLEAGUES, I ASK TODAY WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LAURA JUANITA BURTON ODOM. MRS. ODOM WAS BORN

JANUARY 21, 1947, IN NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, AND PASSED AWAY THE 8TH OF NOVEMBER HERE IN L.A. AT THE AGE OF 78. AFTER COMPLETING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HER FAMILY RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES, WHERE SHE ATTENDED BURINDALE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND L.A. HIGH. SHE LATER MOVED TO ATLANTA TO ATTEND SPELMAN COLLEGE EARNING HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN 1968. TWO YEARS LATER SHE MARRIED HER HUSBAND JERRY AND TOGETHER THEY WERE BLESSED WITH ONE DAUGHTER, VERONICA, WHO WAS THE CENTER OF THEIR FAMILY AND A SOURCE OF GREAT PRIDE AND JOY. MRS. ODOM BEGAN HER CAREER WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. SHE LATER TRANSITIONED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, WHERE SHE ADVANCED TO THE POSITION OF PERSONNEL ANALYST. IN THAT ROLE, SHE MADE MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE RECRUITMENT, EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT, AND CLASSIFICATION DIVISIONS, EARNING THE RESPECT OF HER COLLEAGUES THROUGHOUT HER CAREER. SHE RETIRED AFTER 37 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE. HER COMMITMENT TO SERVICE EXTENDED FAR BEYOND HER PROFESSION. MRS. ODOM WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF NUMEROUS ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE PUBLIC MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR HUMAN RESOURCES, THE CENTURY CITY ALUMNI CHAPTER OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED, WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WHERE SHE FAITHFULLY SERVED ON THE TRUSTEE BOARD. SHE ALSO HELD SEVERAL LEADERSHIP ROLES, INCLUDING PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF SPELMAN COLLEGE, PRESIDENT OF BLACK

WOMEN'S NETWORK, AND PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER OF JACK AND JILL OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED. IN EVERY ROLE SHE HELD, MRS. ODOM ADVANCED EDUCATION, SUPPORTED YOUTH, AND UPLIFTED HER COMMUNITY. MRS. ODOM IS SURVIVED BY HER LOVING AND DEVOTED DAUGHTER, VERONICA WHO SELFLESSLY CARED FOR HER MOTHER AT HOME WHILE SHE BATTLED DEMENTIA BEGINNING IN 2012. SHE IS ALSO SURVIVED BY A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS, SORORISTS, COLLEAGUES, AND HER CHURCH FAMILY, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS HER DEARLY. MRS. ODOM LEAVES BEHIND A LASTING LEGACY OF FAITH, SERVICE, EDUCATION, AND LOVE, ONE THAT WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL WHO ARE BLESSED TO KNOW HER. WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DANIELLE DENISE GRAY COPRICH. MRS. COPRICH WAS BORN DECEMBER 30TH, 1965 HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED AWAY JANUARY 6TH AT THE AGE OF 60 AFTER A COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH CANCER. FROM AN EARLY AGE SHE DEMONSTRATED DISCIPLINE AND CREATIVITY, QUALITIES THAT WOULD CONTINUE TO DEFINE HER LIFE OF SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP. MRS. COPRIDGE GREW UP IN THE CLOSE-KNIT COMMUNITY OF WESTMONT, WHERE SHE FIRST DEVELOPED HER DEEP SENSE OF CONNECTION TO OTHERS. SHE LOVED HER FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AND TOOK PRIDE IN BEING A BIG SISTER TO HER YOUNGER SIBLINGS. SHE PARTICIPATED IN BALLET, TAP, AND MODERN DANCE AT MISS BLACKWELL'S DANCE ACADEMY, SHOWCASING HER TALENTS IN NUMEROUS RECITALS. SHE ALSO SPENT SEVERAL YEARS IN A BOWLING LEAGUE AT MIDTOWN BOWL, EARNING MULTIPLE ACCOLADES FOR HER SKILL AND DEDICATION. MRS.

COPRICH PURSUED A CAREER IN MEDICAL BILLING AND CODING. THROUGH DILIGENCE AND PROFESSIONALISM, SHE ADVANCED TO THE ROLE OF SUPERVISOR AND REMAINED GAINFULLY EMPLOYED IN HER FIELD FOR OVER 35 YEARS, EARNING THE RESPECT OF HER COLLEAGUES AND PEERS. BEYOND HER PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS, MRS. COPRICH WAS DEEPLY COMMITTED TO HER HUSBAND JEFFREY AND THE COMMUNITY THEY SERVED TOGETHER. THEIR PARTNERSHIP WAS GROUNDED IN FAITH, LOVE, AND SHARED PURPOSE, AND TOGETHER THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO UPLIFTING OTHERS. THEY CO-FOUNDED THE UNSUNG HEROES LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION AND SERVED SIDE BY SIDE ON THE ANNUAL BOOK DRIVE AND BACKPACK GIVEAWAY FOR THE ESSENCE K. COPRICH LIBRARY AT 116TH STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. THEIR MARRIAGE OF 18 YEARS WAS A TESTAMENT TO LOYALTY, PARTNERSHIP, AND SERVICE, AND THEIR COMBINED EFFORTS STRENGTHENED COUNTLESS LIVES. MRS. COPRIDGE ALSO FOUNDED THE WINTER WONDERLAND TOY DRIVE AN EXPRESSION OF HER PROFOUND LOVE FOR CHILDREN AND HER BELIEF IN MAKING EVERY CHILD FEEL SEEN, CELEBRATED, AND CARED FOR. SHE WAS A WOMAN OF STRONG FAITH AND IN RECOGNITION OF HER LIFE OF SERVICE AND SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP, SHE RECEIVED AN HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE FROM THE BIBLE BELIEVERS COLLEGE AND SEMINARY. SHE WAS A DEVOTED WIFE, A LOVING FAMILY MEMBER, A FAITHFUL SERVANT, AND A SHINING LIGHT IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER WARM HEART, QUIET RESILIENCE, AND THE POSITIVE IMPACT SHE MADE ON ALL WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HER. MRS. COPRICH LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY, HER

BELOVED HUSBAND, JEFFREY, BONUS SON, JEFFREY JR., PARENTS, DEIDRE AND CHARLES JR., SIBLINGS, ERICA, DEREK, AND SIOBHAN, AND A HOST OF FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHOSE LIVES SHE TOUCHED. 7I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TERRY JOHNSON COLE. MRS. COLE WAS BORN FEBRUARY 3RD, 1941 IN RINGGOLD, LOUISIANA, AND PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON DECEMBER 17TH AT THE AGE OF 84. IN 1957, HER FAMILY MADE L.A. THEIR HOME, AND SHE GRADUATED FROM FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL THE FOLLOWING YEAR. SHE CONTINUED HER STUDIES AT COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WHERE SHE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS AND LATER PROUDLY RECEIVED HER BOWSER'S DEGREE FROM CAL STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILLS. IN 1967, MRS. COLE BEGAN A LONG AND MEANINGFUL CAREER WITH COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND FOR 30 YEARS, SHE FAITHFULLY SERVED THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES OF COMPTON LEAVING A LASTING IMPACT THROUGH HER DEDICATION, CARE, AND COMMITMENT TO EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY. HER GREATEST JOY HOWEVER WAS HER FAMILY AND MRS. COLE WAS A DEVOTED AND LOVING MOTHER TO THREE CHILDREN, KIM, GREGORY, AND TIMOTHY, WHO WERE TRULY THE CENTER OF HER WORLD. SHE EMBRACED EVERY ROLE SHE WAS BLESSED WITH, MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, AND GREAT-GRANDMOTHER, POURING LOVE, WISDOM, AND STRONG VALUES INTO EACH GENERATION AND DELIGHTING IN WATCHING THEM GROW. MRS. COLE LIVED A LIFE GROUNDED IN FAITH AND SERVICE. SHE FOUND PEACE AND JOY IN STUDYING HER BIBLE, WORKING ON CROSSWORD PUZZLES AND TENDING TO HER GARDEN.

HER HEART FOR OTHERS WAS EVIDENT IN HER MANY YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE AT MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES WHERE SHE TAUGHT BIBLE STUDY AND LATER SERVED AS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YOUTH DEPARTMENT. MRS. COLE'S LIFE WAS ONE OF PURPOSE, FAITH, AND LOVE. HER LEGACY WILL CONTINUE THROUGH HER BELOVED CHILDREN, KIM, GREGORY, AND TIMOTHY, HER NINE GRANDCHILDREN, NINE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, TWO SISTERS, AND A WHOLE CIRCLE OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHOSE LIVES ARE BETTER BECAUSE SHE WAS IN THEM. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED AND FOREVER REMEMBERED AS A WOMAN WHO LIVED FULLY LOVED DEEPLY AND SERVED FAITHFULLY. COLLEAGUES I ASKED THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELOISE DANGERFIELD. ELOISE WAS BORN OCTOBER 7, 1938, IN CARROLLTON, MISSISSIPPI AND SHE PASSED AWAY ON THE 3RD OF JANUARY AT THE AGE OF 87. SHE WAS A PROUD GRADUATE OF FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL AND SOUTHWEST COLLEGE. AS A PEDIATRIC LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE, ELOISE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND THE HEARTBREAKING REALITY OF NEWBORNS ENTERING THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM IMMEDIATELY AFTER BIRTH. SEEING THE VULNERABILITY OF THESE INFANTS AND THE UNCERTAINTY OF THEIR FUTURES MOVED HER DEEPLY AND COMPELLED HER TO ACT. SUPERVISOR BARGER, SHE SERVED ALONGSIDE OUR MUTUAL FRIEND, DR. ZELINA BEAN AT MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IN 1985, SHE BECAME A CERTIFIED FOSTER PARENT WITH THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, COMMITTING HERSELF TO THE PROTECTION AND CARE OF SOCIETY'S MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN.

DETERMINED TO STAND IN THE GAP, SHE AND HER SISTER, ALSO AN LVN, MADE THE EXTRAORDINARY DECISION TO FOSTER FOUR MEDICALLY FRAGILE INFANTS. WHAT BEGAN AS A PERSONAL ACT OF LOVE BECAME THE DEFINING MISSION OF HER LIFE AND LED TO THE FOUNDING OF THE DANGERFIELD INSTITUTE OF URBAN PROBLEMS IN RESPONSE TO A CRITICAL AND UNMET COMMUNITY NEED. THIS WAS IN THE EARLY '80S WHEN L.A. COUNTY SAW THE CRACK EPIDEMIC DEVASTATE MY COMMUNITY AND SHE BECAME THE FIRST LICENSED IN L.A. COUNTY FOSTER PARENT FOR MEDICALLY FRAGILE INFANTS. SHE WALKED OUT OF MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL AFTER A SHIFT ON A FRIDAY AND CAME BACK ON MONDAY AND THE POPULATION OF SUBSTANCE-EXPOSED INFANTS IN THE NICU HAD QUADRUPLED AND THAT'S WHEN SHE DECIDED THAT SHE COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT GIVING HER MEDICAL BACKGROUND AND APPROACHED L.A. COUNTY AND BECAME THE FIRST. IN 1989 MRS. DANGERFIELD MADE A PROFOUND PERSONAL SACRIFICE BY GIVING UP HER HOME TO ESTABLISH ONE OF ONLY TWO RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE DEDICATED EXCLUSIVELY TO THE CARE OF DRUG EXPOSED INFANTS. AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF A SKILLED MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM, THE PROGRAM PROVIDED COMPREHENSIVE AND COMPASSIONATE CARE TAILORED TO THE COMPLEX MEDICAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS OF THESE CHILDREN. THIS ACT OF SELFLESSNESS BECAME THE CORNERSTONE OF DIUP'S WORK AND STANDS AS A LASTING TESTAMENT TO HER COURAGE, FAITH, AND UNWAVERING LOVE FOR CHILDREN. HER VISION CONTINUED TO EXPAND IN OCTOBER OF 1994, DANGERFIELD INSTITUTE LAUNCHED ITS FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY. THE AGENCY WAS

CREATED TO RECRUIT, TRAIN, AND SUPPORT CAREGIVERS CAPABLE OF PROVIDING SAFE, NURTURING HOMES FOR ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN. SERVING INFANTS THROUGH AGE 18 AS WELL AS NON-MINOR DEPENDENTS UP TO 21, THE AGENCY EMPHASIZED STABILITY, DIGNITY, AND FAMILY PRESERVATION, ENSURING THAT CHILDREN, INCLUDING SIBLING GROUPS COULD REMAIN TOGETHER AND THRIVE IN LOVING ENVIRONMENTS. THOSE OF US WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING ELOISE PERSONALLY KNEW HER AS A WOMAN OF QUIET STRENGTH, DEEP COMPASSION, AND STEADFAST CONVICTION. HER LIFE WAS DEFINED BY SERVICE, SACRIFICE, AND AN UNWAVERING DEVOTION TO CHILDREN WHO HAD NO VOICE OF THEIR OWN. HER LEGACY LIVES ON IN THE COUNTLESS LIVES SHE SAVED, THE FAMILY SHE STRENGTHENED, AND THE LASTING IMPACT OF HER WORK THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY. ELOISE DANGERFIELD IS LOVINGLY REMEMBERED BY HER CHILDREN, LORI AND DAVION, THREE SISTERS, EMMA, BERNICE AND ELIZABETH, ONE BROTHER, RUFUS, AND A WIDE CIRCLE OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHOSE LIVES WERE FOREVER TOUCHED BY HER LEADERSHIP, GENEROSITY AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN. AND I WOULD GO SO FAR AS TO SAY A HUGE COMMUNITY OF FORMER FOSTER YOUTH AND FOSTER PARENTS WHO, THROUGH HER EXAMPLE, UNDERSTOOD WHAT IT MEANT TO BE A SELFLESS PARENT. SHE HAD A LIFE CHANGING IMPACT ON MY OWN LIFE AND DECISIONS I LATER MADE. AND SHE WAS SOMEONE VERY SPECIAL AND I APPRECIATE YOU HELPING ME ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY. PLEASE DO. THANK YOU. I'D APPRECIATE THAT. AND FINALLY, COLLEAGUES, ANOTHER ONE.

IT'S BEEN A ROUGH WEEK. I AM MOVED THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOY P. ATKINSON, A DEAR FRIEND, MENTOR, AND A FORCE FOR CREATING A PIPELINE OF WOMEN LEADERS IN POLITICS THROUGHOUT HER WORK AS CO-FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE. SHE TRANSITIONED JUST A COUPLE DAYS AGO. JOY DEDICATED HER LIFE TO ADVANCING MOVEMENTS AND CANDIDATES COMMITTED TO SOCIAL JUSTICE EXEMPLIFYING THE TRUE POWER OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. THIS YOU MAY NOT KNOW COLLEAGUES, AFTER GRADUATING FROM USC, JOY BEGAN HER PROFESSIONAL CAREER AS A DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER, WHICH IS WHERE SHE MET GWEN MOORE AND MY MOTHER FOR THE COUNTY OF L.A. WHERE SHE BECAME ACTIVE IN THE PROBATION OFFICERS UNION LOCAL 685. SHE THEN WENT ON TO SERVE FOR 16 YEARS AS CHIEF OF STAFF TO THEN ASSEMBLYWOMAN GWEN MOORE. JOY ALSO PROVIDED LEADERSHIP ON NUMEROUS CITY OF L.A. COMMISSIONS, INCLUDING THE SOUTH L.A. AREA PLANNING COMMISSION, THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION, AND SERVED AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF CITIZENS FOR ACCOUNTABLE LEADERSHIP. HER INFLUENCE EXTENDED DEEPLY INTO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY AS WELL, WHERE SHE SERVED AS A DELEGATE TO THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY, PRESIDENT OF NEW FRONTIER DEMOCRATIC CLUB AND SUPPORTED LOCAL DEMOCRATIC CLUBS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. SHE WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA, SORORITY INCORPORATED, AND A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE MU LAMBDA OMEGA CHAPTER IN CULVER CITY. SHE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON STAFF OF MAYOR, THEN

SPEAKER, KAREN BASS, AND WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS AND THEN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE FOR OVER 17 YEARS, WHERE SHE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GRADUATING OVER 400 GRADUATES, MANY OF WHOM SERVE IN ELECTED CAPACITY ACROSS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. JOY'S UNAPOLOGETIC COURAGE, UNSHAKABLE COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITIES, AND UNWAVERING SUPPORT FOR WOMEN IN POLITICS WILL BE MISSED, BUT HER LEGACY AND ENDURING IMPACT WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. I WANT TO THANK JOY FOR HER IMMENSE CONTRIBUTIONS, THE LIVES SHE'S TOUCHED, AND FOR ALWAYS BEING THE ONE IN THE ROOM WITH THE COURAGE TO TELL IT LIKE IT IS. JOY ATKINSON IS SURVIVED BY TWO NIECES, ONE NEPHEW. MAY SHE REST IN ABSOLUTE POWER. PLEASE, I WOULD LOVE IT IF ALL MEMBERS WOULD JOIN ME. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OH MY GOD, BEAUTIFUL. WITH THAT MEMBERS, WE'LL TAKE ALL THE MOTIONS AND SECOND IT, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, THE BOARD WILL NOW BE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS1 THROUGH CS6, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NUMBER CS7, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, ONE CASE, ITEM NUMBER CS8, PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. ITEM NUMBER CS9 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM NUMBER CS10 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

[CLOSED SESSION]

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE ARE NOW BACK FROM OPEN SESSION. EXECUTIVE OFFICE, PLEASE READ THE REPORT OF ACTION.

EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER: THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JANUARY 13, 2026. ITEM NUMBER CS1 THROUGH CS10, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. PLEASE NOTE THAT JANUARY 20, 2026, OUR BOARD MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELED. NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2026, AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE ADJOURNED THANK YOU

I, KATHRYN J, ROBSON, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number qualified in and for the State of California, do hereby certify:

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

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