



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TUESDAY, MAY 5TH, 2026

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND THOSE THAT ARE WATCHING US TODAY. BEFORE WE OFFICIALLY BEGIN TODAY'S MEETING, WE WILL HAVE THE PLEDGE, INVOCATION, AND A SPECIAL PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR. BUT I WANT TO TELL YOU, THE PUBLIC, THAT DUE TO TRAFFIC DELAYS, WE WILL BE OFFICIALLY CONVENING AT 10:15 TO OFFICIATE AND COMMENCE OUR BOARD MEETING WHEN WE HAVE A QUORUM. SO AT THIS TIME, I AM PLEASED THEN TO START WITH OUR INVOCATION. AND TODAY WE HAVE OUR INVOCATION LED BY REVEREND DR. MANDY SLOAN MCDOWELL. SHE IS A SENIOR MINISTER REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY JAWANA R. MCFADDEN, FORMER CAPTAIN, UNITED STATES ARMY, REPRESENTING THE SECOND DISTRICT. SO IF ALL ARE AVAILABLE, PLEASE STAND WITH US NOW. THANK YOU.

REVEREND DR. MANDY SLOAN MCDOWELL: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I INVITE YOU JUST TO TAKE A DEEP BREATH IN. YOU'VE HAD A LONG AND BUSY MORNING ALREADY. AND NICE EXHALE OUT. I ALSO TEACH YOGA. TAKE ANOTHER DEEP BREATH IN. AND AS WE BREATHE OUT, LET US INVITE THE SPIRIT OF THE CITY OF ANGELS TO GUIDE US. HOLY, GRACIOUS, AND LOVING GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL DAY, FOR THIS MORNING, FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY THAT WE



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1 CAN BE YOUR PEOPLE. TODAY, WE HOLD IN OUR MIND, IN THE
2 FOREFRONT OF OUR HEART, THOSE WHOM YOU HAVE ASKED US TO GUIDE,
3 TO GOVERN, TO CARE FOR, TO REPRESENT. WE ASK THAT YOU BRING TO
4 US THE FACE OF A CONSTITUENT, A FAMILY WORKING THROUGH THE
5 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, A WORKER CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF HIS
6 BUSINESS, A YOUTH STRUGGLING THROUGH HOMELESSNESS, CHOOSING
7 THE CHEAPEST AND MOST LETHAL FORM OF HEALTHCARE. YOU HAVE
8 GIVEN TO US SO MANY, THOSE WHO ARE BATTLING TO REBUILD THEIR
9 HOMES AFTER DEVASTATING FIRES IN OUR COMMUNITIES, THOSE WHO
10 ARE WORKING AGAINST US, NOT FOR THE GOOD OF ALL, BUT FOR FEAR
11 OF THEIR OWN POWER. SO HELP US TO HOLD TIGHTLY TO WHAT
12 MATTERS, THE CARE, THE GRACE, THE MERCY, THE COMPASSION, AND
13 HELP US TO LET GO OF ALL THAT DOES NOT SERVE US. THAT WE HAVE
14 NO POWER EXCEPT WHAT YOU HAVE GIVEN US AS PEOPLE. TO BE A
15 COMMUNITY TOGETHER TO BE REPRESENTATIVES OF THIS MARVELOUS
16 CITY THAT IS RICH IN HISTORY OUR ANCESTORS ARE HERE TO GUIDE
17 US THOSE WHO HAVE COME BEFORE US LOOK DOWN AND SMILE SO HELP
18 US TO REPRESENT THEM IN THIS BEAUTIFUL, DIVERSE, GORGEOUS
19 NETWORK THAT IS THE CITY OF ANGELS, A COUNTY WIDE FROM SEA TO
20 MOUNTAIN. LET THE SPIRIT OF COMPASSION AND COURAGE OF THOSE
21 LIKE BIDDY MASON, BE OUR GUIDE. WE ASK YOUR GRACE, YOUR MERCY,
22 YOUR FORGIVENESS ON THIS AND EVERY DAY. AMEN.

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24 **JAWANA R. MCFADDEN:** GOOD MORNING. PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE
25 YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART, AND IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU



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1 MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF
2 ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED
3 STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE
4 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR
5 ALL. JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THANK YOU, REVEREND DR. MANDY
8 SLOAN MCDOWELL, FOR LEADING US THIS MORNING WITH THIS SPECIAL
9 INVOCATION. THE REVEREND DR. MCDOWELL SERVES AS THE SENIOR
10 MINISTER OF THE LOS ANGELES FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN
11 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, WHERE SHE LEADS WITH DEEP COMPASSION, AS
12 YOU CAN TELL, CONVICTION, AND A STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO
13 COMMUNITY CARE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, THE
14 CHURCH CONTINUES ITS LONGSTANDING MISSION OF SERVICE,
15 INCLUDING A WEEKLY BREAKFAST MINISTRY THAT PROVIDES HOT MEALS
16 TO INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND FOOD INSECURITY,
17 AN EFFORT THAT REFLECTS BOTH DIGNITY AND SOLIDARITY WITH OUR
18 MOST VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS. SHE HAS ALSO BEEN A DEDICATED AND
19 ENDURING ADVOCATE FOR THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY STANDING FOR EQUAL
20 RIGHTS AND MARRIAGE EQUALITY THROUGHOUT HER MINISTRY. AS PART
21 OF THE RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK, HER CONGREGATION
22 REMAINS COMMITTED TO WELCOMING, UPLIFTING, AND ADVOCATING FOR
23 THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN MARGINALIZED. THIS INCLUSIVE MINISTRY
24 EMBODIES THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS,
25 CENTERED IN LOVE, JUSTICE, AND BELONGING FOR ALL. WE ARE



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1 HONORED TO HAVE HER, DR. MCDOWELL, WITH US TODAY, GRATEFUL FOR
2 HER PRESENCE, HER LEADERSHIP, AND THE SPIRIT OF COMPASSION SHE
3 BRINGS TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ALL OF OUR
4 COMMUNITIES. WE THANK YOU TODAY, REVEREND, FOR OFFERING THIS
5 INVOCATION TO ALL OF US. AND ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE YOU WITH THIS COUNTY OF
7 LOS ANGELES CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
8 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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10 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING, LOS ANGELES. HEY, THAT'S
11 WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. THANK YOU AND THANK YOU ALL FOR
12 JOINING US TODAY. IT'S MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE TODAY'S PLEDGE
13 VETERAN, CAPTAIN JOANNA MCFADDEN. CAPTAIN MCFADDEN HAS
14 DEDICATED 29 YEARS TO THE UNITED STATES ARMY, WHERE SHE
15 CURRENTLY SERVES AS A HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER. SHE WAS
16 DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. THROUGHOUT HER
17 MILITARY CAREER, SHE HAS EARNED NUMEROUS AWARDS, INCLUDING THE
18 HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL, THE NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER
19 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RIBBON, AND RECOGNITION AS THE SOCAL
20 WOMAN VETERAN OF THE YEAR. FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS, CAPTAIN
21 MCFADDEN HAS ALSO SERVED AS MY APPOINTEE TO THE L.A. COUNTY
22 VETERANS' ADVISORY COMMISSION, WHERE SHE HELPS TO SHAPE
23 POLICIES THAT BETTER SERVE OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.
24 SHE HOLDS A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM LOYOLA
25 MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY. IN ADDITION TO HER MILITARY SERVICE,



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1 CAPTAIN MCFADDEN IS THE FOUNDER OF?

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3 **JAWANA R. MCFADDEN:** MONARCHERY.

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5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** MONARCHERY, A CONSULTING PRACTICE THAT
6 PARTNERS WITH VETERANS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR
7 CAPACITY AND DRIVE MEANINGFUL LASTING CHANGE. SHE IS A PROUD
8 MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY, THE JACKIE
9 ROBINSON UNIT, NUMBER 252 COLOR GUARD, THE NATIONAL
10 ASSOCIATION OF BLACK MILITARY WOMEN, AND DELTA SIGMA THETA
11 SORORITY INCORPORATED. IN HER FREE TIME, SHE ENJOYS HIKING AND
12 TRAVELING THE WORLD. SO PLEASE, L.A., JOIN ME IN EXPRESSING
13 OUR DEEPER GRATITUDE FOR HER SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND TO OUR
14 COUNTY, TO CAPTAIN MCFADDEN FOR HER SERVICE, AND FOR LEADING
15 US IN TODAY'S PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. WE THANK YOU. AND I
16 APPRECIATE YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.
17 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. WITH THAT, BEFORE WE BEGIN
20 OUR SPECIAL PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR,
21 LET'S PLAY THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT EO.

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



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24 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
25 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN



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

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE LAND
5 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** THE COUNTY OF LOS
8 ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL
9 INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH
10 AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS
11 AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE
12 THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE
13 THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE,
14 SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE,
15 AND MULTI-GENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
16 DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH,
17 HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES,
18 CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO
21 GROWING AND SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND
22 LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER.
23 FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA
24 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN
25 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION



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1 INDIANS - KIZH NATION, YUHA AVIATAM OF SAN MANUEL NATION, SAN
2 FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, COASTAL BAND OF CHUMASH
3 NATION, GABRIELINO/TONGVA NATION, GABRIELINO TONGVA TRIBE. TO
4 LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
5 PLEASE VISIT THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN
6 INDIAN COMMISSION WEBSITE AT LANAIC.LACOUNTY.GOV.

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8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR JUST WANT TO MAKE
9 SOME CLARIFICATIONS I APOLOGIZE WE STARTED THE CODE OF CONDUCT
10 PRESENTATION, BUT WE REALLY NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT FOR THE
11 RECORD THAT WE'RE STARTING THE MEETING AT 10:15 AND THEN WE'RE
12 GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH PRESENTATIONS NOW.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, NOW WE'RE GOING TO GET STARTED,
15 I THINK, FOR THIS SPECIAL PRESENTATION HERE, WHICH I HAVE
16 HAPPENED TO ENJOY ALMOST EVERY YEAR THAT I'VE BEEN HERE. AND
17 THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST EXCITING TIMES, AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR
18 MITCHELL FEELS JUST AS EXCITED AS I DO. COLLEAGUES AND PUBLIC,
19 PLEASE JOIN ME TODAY IN WELCOMING THUMMER THE PIG, THE L.A.
20 COUNTY FAIR MASCOT. ALONG WITH US TODAY IS WALTER MARQUEZ, OUR
21 CEO OF THE FAIRPLEX. PLEASE WELCOME HIM HERE TODAY. AND MIKE
22 DREBY, WHO IS CHAIR OF THE FAIRPLEX BOARD. ALSO THANK YOU FOR
23 JOINING US TODAY. THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR, PROUDLY HOSTED IN THE
24 FIRST DISTRICT AT THE FAIRPLEX IN POMONA, IS A CHERISHED
25 TRADITION THAT HAS BROUGHT COMMUNITIES TOGETHER FOR MORE THAN



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1 A CENTURY. CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT? FROM ITS AGRICULTURAL ROOTS
2 TO ITS EVOLUTION AS ONE OF THE NATION'S LARGEST FAIRS, IT
3 CONTINUES TO SERVE AS A VIBRANT PLACE, BRINGING TOGETHER
4 RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ALIKE. IN 2026, THIS YEAR, THE FAIR
5 WILL RUN THROUGH MAY 7TH THROUGH MAY 31ST UNDER THE THEME PLAY
6 YOUR WAY, HIGHLIGHTING CREATIVITY ACROSS VISUAL ARTS, MUSIC,
7 CULINARY INNOVATION, AND LIVE PERFORMANCE. THROUGH INTERACTIVE
8 EXHIBITS AND IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES, THE FAIR INVITES ATTENDEES
9 TO ENGAGE WITH BOTH TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF
10 EXPRESSION. AND AT ITS CORE, PLAY IS ABOUT FREEDOM, THE
11 FREEDOM TO EXPLORE, CREATE, AND CONNECT. WHETHER ENJOYING A
12 RIDE, SHOWCASING A HANDCRAFTED PROJECT, OR EXPERIENCING LIVE
13 ENTERTAINMENT, THE FAIR OFFERS MOMENTS THAT SPARK CURIOSITY
14 AND BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER ACROSS GENERATIONS. THIS YEAR'S FAIR
15 WILL FEATURE A DYNAMIC MIX OF ATTRACTIONS, INCLUDING CARNIVAL
16 RIDES, CONCERTS, CULINARY SHOW CASES, AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITS,
17 DON'T FORGET THOSE LITTLE PIGGIES, REMEMBER THAT? THE PIG
18 RACES, AND FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES. THESE EXPERIENCES
19 CELEBRATE THE UNIQUE CHARACTER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHILE
20 OFFERING SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY. THE 20TH ANNUAL LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY DAY AT THE FAIR WILL TAKE PLACE THIS SATURDAY, MAY 9,
22 2026, AND WILL PROVIDE COUNTY EMPLOYEES AN OPPORTUNITY TO
23 ENGAGE WITH EXHIBITS, CONNECT WITH RESOURCES, AND CELEBRATE
24 THE COMMUNITIES THAT THEY SERVE. THIS SPECIAL DAY HIGHLIGHTS
25 THE FAIR'S ROLE IN FOSTERING CONNECTION AND COLLABORATION



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1 ACROSS THE COUNTY. I INVITE EVERYONE TO COME OUT AND TO BE A
2 PART OF THIS BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE. THERE IS TRULY SOMETHING
3 FOR EVERYONE AT THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR. NOW LET'S CUE THE
4 PROMOTIONAL VIDEO FOR THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR. PLEASE WATCH THE
5 VIDEO.

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7 **MULTIPLE SPEAKERS [VIDEO RECORDING]:** YOU READY FOR THE FAIR?
8 YOU READY FOR THIS? YEAH! YEAH! HA HA HA! IT WASN'T ME. NO,
9 NO, BUT I'M READY! LOOK WHAT I MADE. OH MY GOODNESS! OW! WOO!
10 WOO! WOO! WOO! WOO! YEAH, ONE MORE TIME!

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12 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** AT THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR, THERE'S NO
13 WRONG WAY TO PLAY. BUY ONLINE AND SAVE BIG. VISIT
14 LACOUNTYFAIR.COM TO LEARN MORE.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. CAN'T WAIT. AND WITH THAT,
17 IT'S MY HONOR TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF THE
18 L.A. COUNTY FAIR AND ITS LASTING IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY. AND
19 I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS TO OUR GUESTS HERE. OUR CEO AND
20 CHAIRMAN, WALTER MARQUEZ, WILL NOW MAKE A FEW REMARKS.

21

22 **MIKE DRIEBE:** AND BEFORE WALTER SAYS A FEW WORDS, I WANT TO
23 OFFER A FEW REMARKS OF MY OWN. AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD,
24 MY NAME IS MIKE DRIEBE. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH YOU
25 TODAY. FIRST OF ALL, GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO THANK EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
2 LOVE AND SUPPORT OF THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR. THE FAIR BELONGS TO
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND EVERY YEAR WE ARE PROUD TO WELCOME
4 RESIDENTS FROM ALL ACROSS THE REGION TO FAIRPLEX. AS BOARD
5 CHAIR, EXCUSE ME, WE HAVE, I'M SORRY, WE HAVE A VERY LONG AND
6 SPECIAL HISTORY. WE STARTED IN 1922 AND THIS YEAR WE'RE PROUD
7 TO CELEBRATE OUR 104TH ANNIVERSARY. FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY,
8 THE FAIR HAS BROUGHT FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES, BUSINESSES,
9 ARTISTS, STUDENTS, FARMERS, PERFORMERS, AND VISITORS TOGETHER
10 FROM ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TO PUT THAT IN PERSPECTIVE,
11 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR HAS WELCOMED OVER 89,000,000
12 GUESTS SINCE ITS FOUNDING, AN AVERAGE OF ABOUT 850,000 GUESTS
13 PER YEAR. NOW WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THAT NUMBER, I HOPE YOU
14 THINK BEYOND ATTENDANCE, BUT ABOUT THE IMPACT THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY FAIR HAS HAD ON THE COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
16 THINK ABOUT THE JOBS CREATED, THE SMALL BUSINESSES SUPPORTED,
17 THE HOTEL ROOMS BOOKED, THE VENDORS, THE ENTERTAINERS, THE
18 STUDENTS, THE COMMUNITY GROUPS, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY THE
19 MEMORIES MADE YEAR AFTER YEAR. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR IS
20 MORE THAN JUST A SEASONAL EVENT. IT IS PART OF THE CULTURAL
21 FABRIC OF THIS COUNTY. IT REFLECTS WHO WE ARE, DIVERSE,
22 CREATIVE, HARDWORKING, AND ALWAYS FINDING NEW WAYS TO COME
23 TOGETHER. THIS YEAR'S THEME IS PLAY YOUR WAY, AND WE HOPE
24 EVERY RESIDENT SEES THE FAIR AS A PLACE WHERE THEY BELONG. SO
25 WHETHER YOU COME FOR THE FOOD, THE ANIMALS, THE RIDES, THE



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1 ART, THE MUSIC, THE COMPETITIONS, OR SIMPLY TO SPEND TIME WITH
2 FAMILY, THERE IS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT THE LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY FAIR. THUMMER AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU ON MAY 9TH FOR L.A.
4 COUNTY DAY AND THROUGHOUT THE FAIR SEASON. AND WITH A THEME
5 LIKE PLAY YOUR WAY, I'LL JUST SAY THIS. WHETHER YOU PLAY IT
6 COOL, PLAY IT LOUD, PLAY IT BY EATING YOUR WAY THROUGH THE
7 FAIR, WE WELCOME YOU TO COME AND MAKE THE FAIR YOUR OWN. AND
8 WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO PASS IT OVER TO OUR PRESIDENT AND CEO
9 WALTER MARQUEZ.

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11 **WALTER MARQUEZ:** THANK YOU MIKE, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, THANK
12 YOU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. LET ME JUST SAY THE FAIR IS AN
13 EXCITING TIME, MAY 7TH THROUGH MAY 31ST. LACOUNTYFAIR.COM IS
14 WHERE YOU WANT TO GO TO GET YOUR TICKETS. MAY 9TH, IF YOU TYPE
15 IN ALLEY COUNTY, IT'S L.A. COUNTY DAY, YOU CAN GET A TICKET
16 FOR \$8. WE HAVE \$10 VALUE. FOOD IDEALS ON THURSDAYS, NOT JUST
17 FIRST THURSDAY IS OUR OPENING DAY, BUT THE FOLLOWING
18 THURSDAYS, WE HAVE A FOOD CAN DRIVE. YOU BRING 5 CANS TO THE
19 L.A. COUNTY FAIR BETWEEN 11 AND 5, AND YOU'RE IN FOR FREE. SO
20 WE'VE GOT GREAT OPPORTUNITIES, GREAT VALUE. WE'VE GOT THE
21 WORLD'S CUTEST DOG SHOW, WE GOT A PIRATE LAGOON, WE'VE GOT
22 ART, WE'VE GOT MUSIC, WE'VE GOT IT ALL, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY,
23 WE'VE GOT FUN. SO IF YOU'VE GOT A HUNGER FOR DEEP FRIED
24 ANYTHING, WE'VE GOT IT DEEP FRIED AS WELL. WE'VE GOT RIDES,
25 THE ANIMALS ARE THERE. COME OUT, MAKE SOME INCREDIBLE



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1 MEMORIES, BRING SOME FRIENDS, BRING YOUR LOVED ONES, AND COME
2 ENJOY THE COUNTY FAIR WITH US. OKAY.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. I WANT TO WELCOME
5 EVERYONE AGAIN TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING OF THE
6 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, MAY
7 5TH, CINCO DE MAYO. PLEASE NOTE THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER WILL BE
8 ABSENT FROM OUR MEETING TODAY AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH WILL BE
9 JOINING US LATER IN THE MEETING. WE TAKE NOTE THAT WE DO HAVE
10 A QUORUM OF THE BOARD PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, THE
11 COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS
12 ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE
13 PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT? THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY
16 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
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18 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
19 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICE, PLEASE
22 CALL THE AGENDA.

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24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
25 BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER 1. ON



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1 SET MATTER 1, THIS IS A REPORT BY THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICERS AND THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL ON THE PLAN DEVELOPED
3 TO SUPPORT REPRESENTED LOS ANGELES HOUSING, SERVICES AUTHORITY
4 WORKERS TO ACCESS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENTS. ON PAGE THREE, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 2 THROUGH 37. ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR HORVATH
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR HAHN
8 REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 25 AND 26, SUPERVISOR
9 MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. ALSO,
10 THESE INCLUDE REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
11 AGENDA. ON ITEM 27, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
12 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 28, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION
13 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 29,
14 SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
15 31, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
16 26, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 38 THROUGH 85. ON ITEM 38,
17 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
18 WEEKS TO MAY 19, 2026. ONE 49, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
19 REQUISING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
20 SECTION 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVE A CONTRIBUTION OR
21 CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$500 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM
22 ANGELA MINNIFIELD AS A PARTY PARTICIPANT OR AN AGENT OF A
23 PARTY PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDING. ON PAGE 50, NO, I'M SORRY
24 ON ITEM 50, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
25 ON PAGE 53, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 86. ON PAGE 54,



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1 SEPARATE MATTER, ITEM 87. ON PAGE 55, SPECIAL DISTRICT
2 AGENDAS. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ITEM 1D. ON PAGE 57, NOTICES OF
4 CLOSED SESSION, ITEM CS1 THROUGH CS2. ON ITEM CS1, COUNTY
5 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY
6 12, 2026. ON CS2, THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
7 REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 12, 2026. THE
8 REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE THROUGH CS2 ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT
9 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

10
11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS,
13 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. TODAY'S MEETING ORDER WILL BE THE
14 FOLLOWING. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY
15 THE BOARD, THEN ITEM 17, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 25 AND 26, WHICH
16 WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, THEN SET MATTER 1, FOLLOWED BY
17 ITEMS 31, 12, 29, AND 50, AND FINISHING WITH GENERAL PUBLIC
18 COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE
19 CALLING INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

20
21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE
22 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY
23 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE
24 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.BOS.L.A. COUNTY.GOV](http://WWW.BOS.L.A.COUNTY.GOV) TO REGISTER AND
25 JOIN THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL 213-306-3065 AND USE THE



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1 ACCESS CODE 25339736661 AND MEETING PASSWORD 2672026. YOU WILL
2 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE
3 MEETING. FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE
4 MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE
5 ITEMS. FOR ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE
6 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
7 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF UP TO SIX MINUTES. WHEN
8 IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, IF REGISTERED ON A COMPUTER OR A
9 DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME WILL BE CALLED. OR
10 IF JOINING BY TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED,
11 YOUR AREA CODE, AND THE FIRST 3 DIGITS OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER
12 WILL BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE'RE HERE FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND
13 REMOTE SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING
14 CUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU
15 HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME
16 DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.
17 PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO.
18 ALSO, FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE, PLEASE NOTE
19 THAT WE HAVE A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM THAT INCLUDES
20 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC
21 SOCIAL SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, L.A. HOMELESS
22 SERVICES AUTHORITY, AND PARKS AND RECREATION IN THE AUDIENCE
23 SHOULD YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL
24 HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
25 ON ALL ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY SUPERVISORS, THE



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1 CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE ACTED UPON WITH ONE MOTION. FOR MEMBERS
2 OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS,
3 PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS
4 STAR 3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM
5 NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS IN THE BEGINNING OF YOUR
6 COMMENT FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME.

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND
9 WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.
10 THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR
11 DISCUSSION. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME FORWARD
12 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JESSICA PARRAL. MADAM CHAIR, THERE
13 ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE
14 ITEMS. THAT CONCLUDES REMOTE PARTICIP --, ACTUALLY WE DO HAVE
15 A CALLER. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

16
17 **JACKIE O'MARA:** HI THERE, GOOD MORNING. HONORABLE CHAIR,
18 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS JACKIE O'MARA WITH THE
19 CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 25.

20
21 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** ITEM 25 IS HELD. MA'AM, ITEM 25 IS HELD.
22 YOU CAN CALL BACK WHEN THAT ITEM IS CALLED.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
25 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.



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2 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** SO ITEMS 5 THROUGH 17, 21, 23, 28. AND ITEMS,
3 THIS BOARD DOES NOT HAVE THE JUSTIFIABLE TIME FOR THE
4 FRIVOLOUS PROCLAMATIONS 5 THROUGH 17. YOU SHOULD BE RUNNING
5 THIS COUNTY FOR WHAT IT IS, ORGANIZED CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE IN
6 CRISIS, OF WHICH MEN'S CENTRAL, LASHA, SEX CRIMES IN JAILS,
7 PROBATION ARE JUST A FEW. THE FOUR DEMOCRAT SUPERVISORS SHOULD
8 BE IN PRISON, A LA LEROY BACA AND TANAKA. 21, THIS COUNTY IS
9 UP TO ITS NECK IN CRISIS AND SHOULD NO LONGER BE LABELED
10 CRISIS, BUT BUSINESS AS USUAL. ON 23, THE WATER CRISIS, CHECK
11 THE NATIONAL MAP ON DROUGHTS. WE ARE IN CRISIS, AND KAREN BASS
12 HAS YET TO FILL THE RESERVOIRS. STATE PRISON IS A GOOD OPTION.
13 28, GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE. SUPERVISORS, LEAVE THOSE KIDS
14 ALONE. 38, MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. FOUR DEMOCRATS SHOULD BE IN
15 PRISON, A LA LEROY BACA AND TANAKA. THANK YOU.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626,
18 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, THE AGENDA ITEMS
19 YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

20

21 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS, I'M SPEAKING
22 ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 25.

23

24 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** NUMBER 25 IS BEING HELD. YOU CAN HOLD YOUR
25 COMMENT WHEN THAT ITEM IS CALLED.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323359, YOUR LINE
3 IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER.

4

5 **ANDONY CORLETO:** MY NAME IS ANDONY CORLETO.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GO AHEAD.

8

9 **ANDONY CORLETO:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

12

13 **ANDONY CORLETO:** MY NAME IS ANTHONY CORLETO. I'M SPEAKING ON
14 BEHALF OF ITEM NUMBER 34. I TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
15 HAHN'S MOTION. L.A. COUNTY SHOULD OPPOSE SB 1373, A STATE BILL
16 THAT WOULD SEVERELY REDUCE ELIGIBILITY FOR COURT-SUPERVISED
17 MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSION PROGRAMS. L.A. COUNTY IS A LEADER IN
18 MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSION AND ITS INVESTMENTS HAVE MADE STRIDES
19 IN BETTER, SAFER COMMUNITIES. ODR HOUSING IS A NATIONALLY
20 RECOGNIZED MODEL FOR MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSION, SHOWN TO IMPROVE
21 HOUSING STABILITY AND REDUCE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT AT
22 ALL, SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER COST THAN JAIL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH
23 HOUSING. CALIFORNIA'S RAPID DIVERSION PROGRAM HAS SERVED
24 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THROUGH MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSION WITH 91%
25 OF GRADUATES AVOIDING NEW CRIMINAL CASES AS OF APRIL 2024. WE



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1 SHOULD BE EXPANDING ACCESS DIVERSION, NOT LIMITING IT. IF
2 FEWER PEOPLE CAN ACCESS MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSION, THERE'LL BE
3 MORE PEOPLE IN JAIL, WORSENING OVERCROWDING, AND A NUMBER OF
4 INCARCERATED PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS WHO ARE --

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

10
11 **JESSICA PARRAL:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS JESSICA PARRAL. I'M
12 HERE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER AND WE'RE HERE
13 TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 27 ADDRESSING THE INTERSTATE
14 FUNDING FORMULA WHICH WILL SEVERELY IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO
15 PROVIDE SERVICES FOR LGBTQ OLDER ADULTS WHO ARE FACING
16 INCREASING COST OF LIVING ISSUES AND WE ARE INCREASINGLY
17 FACING COSTS OF PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES FOR THEM. THANK YOU
18 TO THE BOARD FOR ADDRESSING THIS MATTER.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. I BELIEVE WE HAVE ONE MORE
23 SPEAKER COMING DOWN.

24
25 **GABRIEL GUTIERREZ:** HELLO EVERYONE. HELLO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.



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1 MY NAME IS GABRIEL GUTIERREZ. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE
2 NATIONAL FOSTER YOUTH INSTITUTE. I'M THE L.A. POLICY AND
3 ENGAGEMENT MANAGER. AND WE JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT
4 OF THE MOTIONS, ITEMS 5 AND ITEM 16. WE HAVE A BUNCH OF FOSTER
5 YOUTH ADVOCATES THAT ARE HERE IN PERSON TO UNDERSTAND AND SEE
6 THE WAY THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETINGS ARE HAPPENING
7 AND TO BE PREPARED AS WELL FOR LATER ON IN THE YEAR. AND WE
8 JUST WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THE FOLKS THAT ARE HERE AND LET YOU
9 KNOW THAT WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF THOSE TWO ITEMS.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAN THEY STAND TO BE RECOGNIZED? YOU
12 GUESS? YES. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

13

14 **GABRIEL GUTIERREZ:** SO HERE ARE ALL THE FOLKS HERE TODAY. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING.

18

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

21

22 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL TAKE WE
23 WILL RETURN TO TAKE A VOTE ON THESE ITEMS LATER IN THE
24 MEETING. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 17, MOTION TO PROCLAIM
25 AND ESTABLISH MAY 7, 2026, AS COUNTY DAY OF PRAYER THROUGHOUT



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1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR
2 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THIS
3 ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR
4 PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU'RE
7 RECOGNIZED.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, COLLEAGUES. THIS
10 MOTION IS TO PROCLAIM THIS THURSDAY, MAY 7TH, AND EVERY FIRST
11 THURSDAY OF MAY THEREAFTER AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY DAY OF
12 PRAYER. THE IDEA FOR A COUNTY DAY OF PRAYER WAS BROUGHT
13 FORWARD BY ONE OF OUR OWN COUNTY EMPLOYEES, DESTINY CASTRO,
14 WHO WORKS IN THE CEO'S OFFICE. AND I THINK DESTINY IS, HI
15 DESTINY. DESTINY IS A MOTHER AND A WOMAN OF FAITH AND SHE
16 THOUGHT IT WAS TIME THAT L.A. COUNTY HAD A DAY OF PRAYER. I
17 WANT TO THANK YOU, DESTINY, FOR THAT SUGGESTION. SHE'S
18 APPARENTLY BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS FOR A LONG TIME AND HOPING
19 THAT ONE DAY HER SUGGESTION WOULD BECOME A REALITY. YOU KNOW,
20 WHEN I SERVED IN CONGRESS, I WAS PROUD TO SERVE AS THE CO-
21 CHAIR OF THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST, WHICH HAPPENS EVERY
22 FEBRUARY, AND THAT PRAYER BREAKFAST INVITES ELECTED OFFICIALS
23 IN WASHINGTON TO COME TOGETHER TO PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY. AND
24 TODAY WE'RE MAKING THAT SAME INVITATION TO OUR RESIDENTS. MY
25 EMOTION ALIGNS OUR COUNTY DAY OF PRAYER WITH THE NATIONAL DAY



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1 OF PRAYER AND THE IDEA BEHIND THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IS
2 SIMPLE. IT ENCOURAGES ALL AMERICANS TO PRAY FOR WHATEVER IS ON
3 THEIR HEARTS THAT THEY THINK COULD MAKE OUR COUNTRY BETTER.
4 AND THERE ARE SOME NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER EVENTS THAT HAPPEN
5 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS OBSERVED THE
6 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR A FEW YEARS, OFFERING A SPACE FOR
7 OUR FIRST RESPONDERS TO GATHER AND SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER THROUGH
8 PRAYER AND REFLECTION. AND I KNOW THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
9 HAS HOSTED EVENTS ON THE OCCASION OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF
10 PRAYER. HERE ON THE DAIS, OF COURSE, WE PRAY EVERY TUESDAY
11 WHEN WE INVITE A FAITH LEADER TO BEGIN OUR BOARD MEETING WITH
12 AN INVOCATION. BUT I AGREE WITH DESTINY THAT WE SHOULD TAKE
13 THAT STEP ONE STEP FURTHER AND THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION DOES.
14 IT PROCLAIMS A COUNTY-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER. LIKE THE NATIONAL
15 DAY OF PRAYER, THIS IS ABOUT INVITING OUR RESIDENTS TO PRAY
16 FOR WHATEVER IS ON THEIR HEARTS THAT THEY THINK COULD MAKE OUR
17 COUNTY BETTER. AND I KNOW WHAT'S ON MINE, AND I'M REMINDED OF
18 THE WORDS OF POPE LEO, WHO RECENTLY, WHILE SPEAKING ABOUT
19 LEADERS WHO PUT THEIR OWN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC GAINS FIRST,
20 SAID, THEY TURN A BLIND EYE TO THE FACT THAT BILLIONS OF
21 DOLLARS ARE SPENT ON KILLING AND DEVASTATION, YET THE
22 RESOURCES NEEDED FOR HEALING, EDUCATION, AND RESTORATION ARE
23 NOWHERE TO BE FOUND. AND I KNOW THAT YOU KNOW THAT THERE ARE
24 SO MANY PEOPLE IN EVERY ONE OF OUR DISTRICTS THAT DEPEND ON
25 L.A. COUNTY FOR HEALING, FOR EDUCATION, FOR RESTORATION, AND



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1 SO MUCH MORE. AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE RELIGIOUS TO APPRECIATE
2 THAT MESSAGE. SO THIS DAY OF PRAYER IS AN INVITATION TO OUR
3 EMPLOYEES FROM ACROSS OUR COUNTY FAMILY, FROM ACROSS OUR
4 COUNTY FAMILY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY TO OUR RESIDENTS, TO
5 PAUSE, TO REFLECT, AND PRAY FOR WHATEVER IS ON YOUR HEART THAT
6 YOU THINK MIGHT MAKE YOUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR COUNTY BETTER.
7 AND AGAIN, THANK YOU, DESTINY, FOR THIS SUGGESTION. I HOPE MY
8 COLLEAGUES WILL SUPPORT IT AND IT WILL BECOME AN OFFICIAL DAY
9 IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

13

14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
15 THANK YOU, DESTINY AND SUPERVISOR HAHN. YOU KNOW, THROUGHOUT
16 OUR SHARED HISTORY, OUR MULTI-FAITH COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN ON
17 THE FRONT LINE SHOWING US THE POWER OF COMING TOGETHER IN
18 PURSUIT OF JUSTICE AND EQUITY. AND IT'S IN TIMES OF
19 UNCERTAINTY THAT I THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
20 PRIORITIZE AND SUSTAIN THE PRACTICES THAT CENTER AND UNITE US.
21 AND PRAYER IS ONE OF THOSE PRACTICES. BECAUSE OF PRAYER,
22 SISTER SIMONE CAMPBELL, A HERO OF MINE, HELPED PIONEER THE
23 FIRST NUNS ON THE BUS TOUR BACK IN 2012, TRAVELING ACROSS THE
24 COUNTRY TO OPPOSE CUTS TO SOCIAL SAFETY NET PROGRAMS, TO
25 ADVOCATE FOR HEALTH ACCESS, AND ENCOURAGE SUPPORT FOR



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1 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. DURING THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT DEBATE,
2 SHE DRAFTED THE NUNS' LETTER AND ORGANIZED 60 LEADERS OF
3 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RELIGIOUS ORDERS IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL, AN
4 EFFORT PRESIDENT OBAMA LATER RECOGNIZED AS INSTRUMENTAL TO ITS
5 PASSAGE. BECAUSE OF PRAYER, REVEREND DR. WILLIAM BARBER
6 ORCHESTRATED THE MORAL MONDAYS MOVEMENT, MOBILIZING CLERGY,
7 ACTIVISTS, WORKERS, STUDENTS, LABOR GROUPS, AND COMMUNITY
8 MEMBERS TO CHALLENGE POLICIES THEY BELIEVED HARMED VULNERABLE
9 PEOPLE. BUILDING ON THAT MOMENTUM IN 2017 HE HELPED LAUNCH THE
10 POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN, A NATIONAL CALL FOR A MORAL REVIVAL.
11 CARRYING FORWARD DR. KING'S 1968 VISION THROUGH NONVIOLENT
12 PROTESTS AND CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE TO ADDRESS INTERCONNECTED
13 ISSUES LIKE ECONOMIC INEQUALITY, RACIAL INJUSTICE, HEALTH
14 CARE, VOTING RIGHTS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS WHILE
15 AMPLIFYING THE VOICES OF IMPACTED COMMUNITIES. ONE OF THE
16 GREATEST STRENGTHS OF L.A. COUNTY IS OUR DIVERSITY, OUR MANY
17 BELIEFS, TRADITIONS, AND WAYS OF SEEKING MEANING. AND EVEN
18 WITH ALL THAT MAKES US DIFFERENT, PRAYER IS A SACRED AND
19 UNIVERSAL PRACTICE. IT CONNECTS US, IT MOBILIZES US, AND IN
20 MOMENTS LIKE THESE, IT STRENGTHENS AND EMPOWERS US. THAT'S WHY
21 IN MARCH, MY OFFICE HOSTED OUR MONTHLY RACIAL JUSTICE LEARNING
22 EXCHANGE AND IT FOCUSED ON RACE AND RELIGION, BRINGING
23 TOGETHER MORE THAN 100 PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE FAITH BACKGROUNDS
24 TO PRAY AND TO HOLD SPACE FOR ONE ANOTHER. AND WE WERE ABLE TO
25 SEE FIRSTHAND THE POWER OF COMING TOGETHER. AND SO AS WE



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1 RECOGNIZE THE COUNTY DAY FOR PRAYER I ASK THAT YOU PRAY FOR
2 US, PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND PRAY FOR OUR COUNTY. AND MY
3 PRAYER WILL BE THAT WE ALL RISE WITH RENEWED STRENGTH AND
4 FOCUS, READY TO ACT, READY TO SERVE, AND READY TO CONTINUE
5 MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
6 TODAY'S MOTION. I'LL BE SUPPORTING.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WILL BE BRIEF. I WANT TO
9 CONGRATULATE YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND ALSO TO DESTINY FOR
10 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT IS IN TIMES LIKE THIS THAT WE
11 DO NEED PRAYER, WHETHER IT'S A SPECIAL DAY OR EVERY DAY. AND
12 I'M REMINDED OF THAT EVERY SINGLE DAY WHEN I GET UP IN THE
13 MORNING AND I THINK ABOUT ALL THE FOLKS THAT ARE UNDERGOING
14 DIFFERENT KIND OF PAIN AND WANTING TO BE HEALED OR WANTING TO
15 SEEK TRUTH AND WANTING TO SEEK JUSTICE. SO I ALSO, LOOKING IN
16 THE AUDIENCE, AND I SEE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE FOSTER CARE
17 COMMUNITY THAT ARE HERE WHO ARE STRIDENT AND WORKING HARD AND
18 RESILIENT, WHO ALSO NEED OUR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS AND ALL OF
19 THAT THAT'S NEEDED IN OUR COUNTY. SO I THANK ALL OF YOU, I
20 THANK OUR COUNTY. OUR COUNTY HAS DONE SO MANY GOOD THINGS. AND
21 I KNOW WHEN I'M OUT IN THE FIELD AND MEETING WITH PEOPLE,
22 PEOPLE ARE OFTEN TELLING ME, SUPERVISOR, PLEASE KNOW THAT
23 WE'RE PRAYING FOR ALL OF YOU, ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS. SO FOR
24 ME, THAT'S VERY PERSONAL AND VERY TOUCHING BECAUSE IT TELLS ME
25 THAT PEOPLE ARE CONNECTING AND WE'RE CONNECTING WITH THEM. SO



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1 I WILL ALSO BE SUPPORTING THIS ITEM. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT
2 FORWARD. AND THANK YOU AGAIN, DESTINY, FOR BRINGING THIS TO
3 OUR ATTENTION. THANK YOU. OKAY WITH THAT. DO WE HAVE ANY
4 REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC?

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN PERSON OR
7 REMOTE SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM THAT
8 CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 17.

9

10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 17
11 IS BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
14 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
15 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

18

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

20

21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE.
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

23

24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

25



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

2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

5

6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
7 CARRIES, 3-0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 25, RECLAIMING WAGES
8 FOR WORKERS THROUGH WORKER-CENTRIC APPROACHES, AND ITEM 26,
9 MADE IN LOS ANGELES PROGRAM PILOT, HARNESSING LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY'S PURCHASING POWER TO SUPPORT LOCAL MANUFACTURING,
11 WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
12 PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS, PLEASE
13 USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3
14 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. RAFAEL CARBAJAL, DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER
15 BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND MICHAEL OWH, DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL
16 SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL
17 SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN
18 YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU'RE
21 RECOGNIZED ON THESE 2 ITEMS.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM
24 CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO HOLD THEM TOGETHER.
25 LAST FRIDAY, WE SAW ONE OF THE LARGEST MAY DAY MARCHES IN



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1 RECENT L.A. COUNTY HISTORY. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE JOINED IN
2 SOLIDARITY FOR WORKERS' RIGHTS AND DIGNITY. THAT FIGHT
3 CONTINUES. WORKERS TODAY FACE IMMIGRATION RAIDS, RISING COSTS
4 DRIVEN BY TARIFFS, AND AN ECONOMY THAT TOO OFTEN LEAVES THEM
5 BEHIND. L.A. COUNTY REALLY HAS THE OPPORTUNITY AND I BELIEVE
6 AN OBLIGATION TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO ENSURE THAT EVERY
7 WORKER IS PAID WHAT THEY ARE OWED AND HAS ACCESS TO HIGH
8 QUALITY CAREERS CLOSE TO HOME. LOW WAGE WORKERS IN L.A. COUNTY
9 LOSE AN ESTIMATED 26 TO 28,000,000 EVERY SINGLE WEEK TO WAGE
10 THEFT. THAT MEANS MISSED RENTS, SKIPPED MEALS, AND FAMILIES
11 PUSHED CLOSER TO THE EDGE. THESE TWO MOTIONS TAKE A DUAL
12 APPROACH. ONE FIXES HOW WE ENFORCE THE LAW AGAINST PREDATORY
13 EMPLOYERS. THE OTHER USES THE COUNTY'S \$8,000,000,000 IN
14 ANNUAL BUYING POWER TO REWARD EMPLOYERS THAT ARE DOING THE
15 RIGHT THING BY THEIR WORKERS. WORKERS' NEEDS AND EMPLOYERS'
16 NEEDS ARE NOT IN OPPOSITION. RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYERS ARE OUR
17 PARTNERS IN BUILDING AN ECONOMY WHERE ANGELENOS AND WORKERS
18 CAN THRIVE. L.A. COUNTY IS THE WAGE THEFT CAPITAL TRAGICALLY
19 IN OUR NATION. WAGE THEFT HAPPENS THROUGH MINIMUM WAGE
20 VIOLATIONS, UNPAID OVERTIME, FORCING WORK OFF THE CLOCK OR
21 OUTRIGHT NON-PAYMENT OR CASH INTO THE TABLE. I AM PROUD TO
22 HAVE AUTHORED THE MOTION THAT ESTABLISHED THE OFFICE OF LABOR
23 EQUITY BACK IN 2021 WITH THEN-SUPERVISOR KUEHL. BUT THE
24 REALITY IS THAT A COMPLAINT-BASED SYSTEM IS NOT A STRATEGY,
25 IT'S JUST A REACTION. WAITING FOR WORKERS TO COME FORWARD



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 MEANS THE MOST VULNERABLE WORKERS, THOSE MOST AFRAID OF
2 RETALIATION, ARE LEFT OUT. THIS MOTION STRENGTHENS THE OFFICE
3 OF LABOR EQUITY BY BUILDING A PROACTIVE CO-ENFORCEMENT MODEL
4 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH TRUSTED WORKER CENTERS AND COMMUNITY-BASED
5 ORGANIZATIONS. CO-ENFORCEMENT IS NOT A NEW CONCEPT. THE
6 CALIFORNIA LABOR COMMISSIONER HAS PRACTICED IT FOR DECADES
7 ALONGSIDE SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE, DENVER, AND CHICAGO. WE'RE
8 DIRECTING STRATEGIC INVESTIGATIONS TO FOCUS ON THE MOST
9 EGREGIOUS VIOLATORS, NOT MOM AND POP SHOPS THAT ARE FOLLOWING
10 THE LAW. AND WE'RE CREATING A PUBLIC-FACING DASHBOARD FOR
11 TRANSPARENCY DISPLAYING ONLY FULLY ADJUDICATED CASES. I WANT
12 TO BE VERY CLEAR, THIS MOTION DOES NOT ADD ANY NEW ORDINANCES
13 TO ENFORCE. IT SIMPLY ASKS US TO MORE EFFECTIVELY USE THE
14 TOOLS AND BEST PRACTICES AT OUR DISPOSAL TO ENFORCE THE LAWS
15 THAT ARE ALREADY ON THE BOOKS. YET ENFORCEMENT ALONE ISN'T
16 ENOUGH. WE MUST ALSO SUPPORT THE EMPLOYERS WHO ARE PROVIDING
17 HIGH QUALITY JOBS AND ENSURE THEY CAN STAY AND GROW HERE IN
18 L.A. COUNTY. AGAIN, L.A. COUNTY SPENDS ABOUT \$8,000,000,000
19 ANNUALLY ON GOODS AND SERVICES. WE'RE A BIG COUNTY WITH PRETTY
20 STRONG PURCHASING POWER. AND THE MADE IN L.A. PROGRAM MOTION
21 DIRECTS ISD AND DEO TO DESIGN A PILOT PROGRAM THAT WILL TEST
22 BUYING A PORTION OF THOSE GOODS FROM LOCAL MANUFACTURERS. WHO
23 PAY LIVING WAGES, PROVIDE BENEFITS AND MAINTAIN SAFE WORKING
24 CONDITIONS RIGHT HERE LOCALLY. HIGH ROAD MANUFACTURERS ARE
25 BEING UNDERCUT BY COMPETITORS WHO BREAK THE RULES THIS PILOT



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SUPERVISORS

1 GIVES RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYERS A CHANCE TO COMPETE ON A LEVEL
2 PLAYING FIELD. EVERY DOLLAR WE DIRECT TO A HIGH ROAD
3 MANUFACTURER IS A DOLLAR THAT HELPS KEEP QUALITY JOBS WITH
4 FAIR WAGES AND SAFE WORKING CONDITIONS RIGHT HERE IN L.A.
5 COUNTY. SO TOGETHER COLLEAGUES, THESE TWO MOTIONS SEND A CLEAR
6 AND CONSISTENT MESSAGE THAT L.A. COUNTY WILL HOLD BAD ACTORS
7 ACCOUNTABLE AND REWARD THE BUSINESSES AND WORKERS BUILDING A
8 BETTER ECONOMY RIGHT HERE AT HOME. I KNOW WE'VE GOT THE TWO
9 FEARLESS LEADERS OF THESE TWO DEPARTMENTS IF ANY OF MY
10 COLLEAGUES HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. I KNOW THAT THERE HAVE BEEN
11 SOME CONCERNS ABOUT BUSINESSES RESPONDING TO AGENDA ITEM 2025.
12 SO I'D LIKE TO ASK DCBA, WHAT PRIVACY GUARDRAILS DO WE HAVE IN
13 PLACE TO PROTECT BOTH EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER INFORMATION DURING
14 ENFORCEMENT WORK, AND HOW WILL THOSE PROTECTIONS CONTINUE
15 UNDER THIS MOTION?

16
17 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR. RAFAEL CARBAJAL,
18 PRIVILEGE OF BEING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
19 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. WE ALREADY HAVE GUARDRAILS IN PLACE
20 WHERE WHEN WE RECEIVE INVESTIGATIONS, WE'RE NOT DISCLOSING
21 INFORMATION FOR THE EMPLOYEES OR THE EMPLOYEES THAT FILED THE
22 CLAIMS. IN ADDITION, WHEN IT COMES TO BUSINESSES, WE DON'T
23 DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE BUSINESS DURING THE
24 INVESTIGATION. INFORMATION THAT IS SHARED IS ONLY AFTER
25 SETTLEMENT OR ADJUDICATION. AND THIS IS INFORMATION THAT'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 ALREADY READILY AVAILABLE. SO WHAT WE'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT
2 IN THIS MOTION IS ABOUT HOW WE PRESENT INFORMATION THAT IS
3 ALREADY AVAILABLE, NOT ACTUALLY NEW INFORMATION.

4
5 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO AGAIN, THE DASHBOARD WOULD ONLY
6 REFLECT ADJUDICATED CASES. AGAIN, THAT INFORMATION IS ALREADY
7 AVAILABLE. WE'RE JUST REALLY TRYING TO CONSOLIDATE IT SO THE
8 PUBLIC CAN ACCESS IT EQUALLY ONE MORE QUESTION, IF I MAY,
9 MADAM CHAIR. THE CALIFORNIA LABOR COMMISSIONER HAS OPERATED A
10 CO-ENFORCEMENT MODEL FOR OVER 10 YEARS, ALONG WITH OTHER LOCAL
11 JURISDICTIONS, LIKE I MENTIONED. SO HAVE THESE MODELS PRODUCED
12 ANY OUTCOMES THAT HAVE BEEN UNFAIR TO BUSINESSES, OR HAVE THEY
13 PRIMARILY HELPED SURFACE VIOLATIONS THAT WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE
14 GONE UNDETECTED.

15
16 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** NO, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. NO EVIDENCE
17 DEMONSTRATES THAT THERE'S BEEN AN UNFAIR DISADVANTAGE TO ANY
18 OF THESE BUSINESSES. ACTUALLY IT PROVES TO BE EVEN THAT MUCH
19 MORE EFFECTIVE BECAUSE 1, IT HELPS US IDENTIFY ISSUES THAT
20 OTHERWISE WOULDN'T BE IDENTIFIED. 2, IT ACTUALLY BRINGS US
21 CLEANER AND MORE EFFECTIVE INFORMATION SO WE CAN MOVE FASTER
22 THROUGH THESE INVESTIGATIONS. AND THEN THE REALITY OF THIS IS
23 THIS IS AN EFFORT TO REALLY MAKE OUR INVESTIGATIONS MORE
24 EFFECTIVE AND MORE FAIR.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. AND IN CLOSING, MADAM
2 CHAIR, I WOULD JUST SAY, I HOPE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY SEES
3 THESE MOTIONS COMING TOGETHER FOR WHAT THEY ARE, AN EFFORT TO
4 BOTH PROTECT WORKERS FROM THE ULTIMATE INSULT, TO PUT IN A
5 FAIR DAY'S WORK AND NOT BE COMPENSATED. IT'S JUST AGAINST THE
6 LAW. AND SECONDLY, TO REALLY CREATE ONGOING SUPPORT OF OUR
7 LOCAL BUSINESSES, OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES, PARTICULARLY THE GOOD
8 ACTORS, WHO SOMETIMES HAVE DIFFICULTY IN COMPETING AGAINST
9 THOSE WHO ARE NOT OPERATING IN GOOD BUSINESS, IN GOOD FAITH AS
10 A BUSINESS. AND SO THESE MOTIONS TOGETHER, I THINK, HELP BOTH
11 COMMUNITIES, THOSE WHO WORK FOR THE BUSINESSES AND THE
12 BUSINESSES WHO WE AS A COUNTY CAN USE OUR PURCHASING POWER TO
13 BUY LOCAL, BUY GOODS FROM. SO WITH THAT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
14 AND I ASK FOR AN AYE VOTE.

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, THANK YOU. I WANT TO JOIN YOU
17 AND THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR ADDING ME AS CO-
18 AUTHOR ON THESE TWO ITEMS. WE ALL KNOW THAT WE'RE ALL LIVING
19 IN DIFFICULT TIMES RIGHT NOW, AND THAT IMPACT ON OUR LOCAL
20 ECONOMY AND BUSINESSES IS A BIG STRESSOR, AS WE KNOW. WE MUST
21 MAKE CHANGES AT THE COUNTY LEVEL TO HELP OUR COMMUNITIES
22 WEATHER THE STORM, REDUCING THE ONGOING IMPACT AND PREPARE
23 OURSELVES TO BUILD A MORE RESILIENT AND BETTER INFRASTRUCTURE
24 FOR OUR FUTURE. BECAUSE DIFFICULT TIMES ALWAYS HAS A SEASON.
25 WITH APPROPRIATE CHANGES, WE CAN AND WILL BE BETTER FOR IT.



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SUPERVISORS

1 LABOR PROTECTIONS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO ME AS WE SAW
2 WORKERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY COME OUT IN FULL FORCE, AS WAS
3 STATED ON FRIDAY DURING INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY. THERE STILL
4 IS MUCH MORE WORK TO BE DONE. ITEM 25 IN PARTICULAR IS NOT
5 ONLY AN OPPORTUNITY FOR DCBA TO GROW BUT TO BE COMPENSATED BY
6 THE STATE FOR THE LABOR PROTECTION WORK THAT THEY ALREADY DO.
7 I APPRECIATE THE DIRECTIVES IN THE MOTION ELEVATING DCBA TO
8 BECOME MORE PROACTIVE INSTEAD OF COMPLAINT-BASED WHEN IT COMES
9 TO ENSURING WORKERS ACROSS THE COUNTY ARE PAID AND TREATED IN
10 ACCORDANCE WITH OUR LAWS. IT'S PERTINENT THAT DCBA RISE TO
11 FILL THE ROLE MORE INTENTIONALLY THAT THEY WERE CREATED TO DO,
12 INCLUDING AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE
13 POPULATIONS, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS PARTICULAR TIME. THAT'S
14 WHY I AUTHORED THE MOTION CREATING THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT
15 AFFAIRS TO LIVE WITHIN DCBA ALONGSIDE THE OFFICE OF LABOR
16 EQUITY, WHERE I THINK IT'S ALL APPROPRIATE. WHEN I SERVED AS
17 SECRETARY OF LABOR, I PUSHED THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND
18 HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH
19 ADMINISTRATION TO EXPAND ENFORCEMENT ON REPEAT VIOLATORS FOR
20 SAFETY AND HEALTH LAWS. THAT'S WHY I ALSO SUPPORT THE FACT
21 THAT THIS MOTION CALLS DCBA TO WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S OFFICE OF WORKER AND HEALTH
23 SAFETY. AND I ALSO BELIEVE THAT IN ADDITION TO WORKER
24 PROTECTIONS, WE CONTINUE TO ESTABLISH A MEANS OF HELPING LOCAL
25 BUSINESSES THRIVE. THAT'S WHY I AUTHORED A MOTION CREATING THE



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1 SMALL BUSINESS RESILIENCY FUND, WHICH PROVIDED ASSISTANCE TO
2 OVER 3,000 BUSINESSES, AND IT HELPED THEM WHEN THEY WERE
3 NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY WAY OF I.C.E. RAIDS. AND SEPARATELY, I
4 ALSO HAVE FOR YEARS PROVIDED FUNDING TO MANY OF OUR CBOS TO
5 DELIVER GRANTS TO SMALL BUSINESSES THAT IN MY DISTRICT WERE
6 SUFFERING LONG BEFORE, WELL, DURING THE TIME OF COVID, BUT
7 ALSO DURING THE I.C.E. RAIDS. AND DURING THE PANDEMIC, WHEN I
8 WAS LAST CHAIR OF THE COUNTY INCREASED PURCHASING FROM OUR
9 LOCAL VENDORS. THAT WAS SOMETHING WE DID VERY DELIBERATELY.
10 AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT THAT PRACTICE IS CONTINUED. AND I
11 THINK IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE PERMANENTLY PRIORITIZE
12 PURCHASING THAT WILL BENEFIT OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. SO BUY LOCAL,
13 HIRE LOCAL. THOSE ARE MY VALUES. TARIFFS, AS WE KNOW, ARE
14 HURTING MANY OF OUR SMALL BUSINESSES AND OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES,
15 CAUSING THEM TO CLOSE THEIR DOORS. AND THE IMPACT OF THE
16 I.C.E. RAIDS HAVE LEFT MANY CORRIDORS IN OUR COUNTY LOOKING
17 LIKE GHOST TOWNS. I SEE THAT IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, EAST
18 LOS ANGELES, AND THE NORTHEAST SECTION OF THE FIRST DISTRICT.
19 SEVERAL AREAS OF OUR COUNTY HAVE NOT BOUNCED BACK BECAUSE OF
20 THE I.C.E. RAIDS, AS YOU WELL KNOW. BUT I DO HAVE SOME
21 QUESTIONS FOR DCBA, FOR RAFAEL. I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE HERE
22 TODAY, AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT YOUR OFFICE BEING MORE
23 PROACTIVE ABOUT WORKER PROTECTIONS AND INTENTIONAL OUTREACH.
24 HOWEVER, I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE REPORT BACK IS WELL
25 INFORMED BY COHESIVE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK THAT WILL INCLUDE NOT



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SUPERVISORS

1 ONLY WORKERS, BUT THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND WHOSE COMPLIANCE
2 TO WORKER PROTECTION IS A CORNERSTONE HERE. AND I ALSO WANT TO
3 SEE THAT A CARE FIRST APPROACH IS INCLUDED IN THE REPORT BACK
4 SO THAT BUSINESSES RECEIVE ALL THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED TO
5 COME INTO COMPLIANCE, AS WAS STATED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
6 AND I WANTED TO ASK IF YOU COULD CONFIRM THAT YOU WILL PROVIDE
7 EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL AND OUTREACH IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES TO ALL
8 TYPES OF BUSINESSES AND WORK TO CONDUCT BROAD OUTREACH TO BOTH
9 THE STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS AND ANY ENFORCEMENT IN THE FUTURE.
10 AND I WANT TO ALSO ADD, WILL YOU PROVIDE VIOLATIONS PAYMENT, A
11 PAYMENT PLAN FOR BUSINESSES THAT ARE REPEAT OFFENDERS AND OF
12 COURSE DEPENDING ON HOW EGREGIOUS THEIR ACTIONS ARE AND WILL
13 YOU BE INCLUDING STREET VENDORS WHEN YOU START THE BROADER
14 ENFORCEMENT?

15
16 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YES, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION SUPERVISOR.
17 YES TO ALL OF THE ABOVE. IN FACT, WE ALREADY DO THAT WITH ALL
18 OUR ONGOING WORK ALREADY. AND AS WE APPROACH AND TAKE THIS ON,
19 WE'RE LOOKING TO PARTNER WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, IN
20 PARTICULAR THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, TO OFFER
21 OUTREACH AND EDUCATION AND INFORMATION TO OUR SMALL BUSINESSES
22 AND ACTUALLY CONNECT THEM TO ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT THEY
23 MIGHT NOT OTHERWISE BE AWARE OF ON TOP OF WHAT THE COUNTY
24 ALREADY OFFERS. SO WE'RE DEFINITELY COMMITTED AND RECOGNIZE
25 THAT THERE NEEDS TO BE A BALANCE, JUST LIKE BUSINESSES NEED



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SUPERVISORS

1 WORKERS, BUSINESSES ALSO NEED CONSUMERS. SO WE WANT TO MAKE
2 SURE THAT WE HAVE A FAIR AND VIBRANT MARKETPLACE WHERE FOLKS
3 CAN THRIVE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE COIN.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT JUST COMES TO MIND THAT SOME OF
6 THE PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE PUSHING OUT RIGHT NOW WITH DEO,
7 ESPECIALLY TOWARDS OUR VENDORS AND OUR COMMISSARIES, ALL THESE
8 EFFORTS TO TRY TO GET PEOPLE TO STABILIZE, GET THEIR PERMITS
9 TO BE ABLE TO EVEN WORK OUT OF THEIR HOMES IS SOMETHING THAT
10 WE EQUALLY HAVE TO CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER. SO I'M, I'M, I
11 HOPE I'M ASSURED THAT THAT IS GOING TO BE A CONTINUAL PROCESS
12 WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S ENGAGEMENT.

13
14 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** ABSOLUTELY. WE WILL BE CO-SHARING INFORMATION
15 AS WELL. AS WE GO OUT, WE WILL SHARE DEO'S INFORMATION AND AS
16 DEO GOES OUT, THEY'LL BE SHARING OUR INFORMATION AS WELL.

17
18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BOTH
19 OF YOU. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

20
21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
22 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND YOURSELF FOR BRINGING BOTH OF THESE
23 MOTIONS FORWARD. AND YOU'RE RIGHT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU
24 KNOW, IT'S THE ULTIMATE, ULTIMATE WRONG FOR SOMEONE WHO IS
25 PUTTING IN A HARD DAY'S WORK AND THEN BEING CHEATED OUT OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHAT IS DULY OWED THEM. SO I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU ARE
2 BRINGING UP IT SHOULDN'T JUST BE COMPLAINT BASED BECAUSE
3 THAT'S A REALLY UNFAIR BURDEN TO PUT ON PEOPLE WHO ARE ALREADY
4 BEING OPPRESSED AND POSSIBLY HARASSED FOR THEM TO BE THE ONES
5 TO, YOU KNOW, GET ENFORCEMENT OUT THERE AND GET HELP. SO I
6 APPRECIATE THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET AHEAD OF IT. I THINK THAT
7 IS REALLY KEY. AND I FEEL LIKE WAGE THEFT HAS BEEN AN ISSUE WE
8 HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING WITH FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. BUT AGAIN,
9 WITH THE ECONOMY BEING WHAT IT IS NOW WITH SO MANY OUTSIDE
10 PRESSURES ON PEOPLE TO MAKE ENDS MEET, THE ONE THING THEY
11 SHOULD BE ASSURED OF IS THEIR FAIR WAGE. AND I APPRECIATE THAT
12 WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO GET AHEAD OF THAT. AND FOR THE OTHER
13 ITEM ABOUT MADE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE HAD A MADE IN AMERICA WHEN
14 I WAS IN CONGRESS, IT WAS A BIG DEAL. AND IT WAS SUCH A BIG
15 DEAL THAT THERE WERE RESTRICTIONS OR ENCOURAGEMENTS ON BIG
16 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN UNITED STATES, TRANSPORTATION
17 PROJECTS THAT HAD TO PUT AMERICA FIRST IN TERMS OF THE BUYING
18 POWER. SO IT'S REALLY A NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO BUY THINGS THAT
19 ARE MADE IN AMERICA. SO IT MAKES SENSE THAT WE PUSH TO HAVE
20 THINGS THAT ARE MADE IN L.A. COUNTY GET SOME SORT OF, YOU
21 KNOW, A LIFT OF PREFERENCE. AND I KNOW EVEN IN MY DISTRICT, I
22 REPRESENT, YOU KNOW, MANUFACTURING, LOGISTICS, WORKING CLASS
23 JOBS, PORTS, WAREHOUSING, SUPPLY CHAIN, PARTNERS. MY DISTRICT
24 HAS BUSINESSES THAT PRODUCE CRITICAL PARTS FOR TRUCKING AND
25 FREIGHT EQUIPMENT, THE AEROSPACE AND AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY, CLEAN



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SUPERVISORS

1 ENERGY TECH. MY DISTRICT, THERE'S FOOD AND BEVERAGE
2 PROCESSING, MEAT PROCESSING, APPAREL AND TEXTILES, AND SEVERAL
3 OF MY CITIES FABRICATE METAL AND PRODUCE MACHINE PARTS AND
4 INDUSTRIAL HARDWARE. SO I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS
5 PILOT PROGRAM TO SEE, I'M VERY CURIOUS TO SEE, YOU KNOW, HOW
6 THIS IS GOING TO WORK, WHAT WE'RE LEANING INTO, WHAT YOU WOULD
7 CONSIDER SUCCESS. AND I'M WONDERING, MICHAEL, IF YOU COULD
8 EVEN SPEAK TO, IF THIS IS A, WELL, FIRST OF ALL, IT'D BE
9 INTERESTING TO SEE WHAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER SUCCESS IN A PILOT
10 PROGRAM. AND THEN, ARE WE MAYBE LONG-TERM LOOKING AT GIVING
11 EXTRA POINTS OR PREFERENCE WHEN WE ARE AWARDING CONTRACTS TO
12 WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE PRODUCTS THAT ARE MADE IN L.A.
13 COUNTY.

14
15 **MICHAEL OWH:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. MICHAEL
16 OWH, DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. SO I'LL
17 ANSWER YOUR SECOND QUESTION FIRST, WHICH IS THAT WE ACTUALLY
18 HAVE A LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NOW AS YOU KNOW ALONG WITH
19 TWO OTHER PROGRAMS ARE DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
20 PROGRAM AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE PROGRAM FOR WHICH THOSE
21 CERTIFIED FIRMS ACTUALLY GET A PREFERENCE TODAY. FIFTEEN
22 PERCENT EITHER IN POINTS OR PRICE PREFERENCE, WHICH IS THE
23 BIGGEST I'VE SEEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY. FOR THOSE BUSINESSES,
24 LAST YEAR WE ACTUALLY AWARDED MORE THAN \$1,500,000,000 IN
25 CONTRACTS. SO THAT IS ONE OF THE GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS I THINK



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE COUNTY HAS MADE AND YOUR BOARD HAS MADE IN SETTING UP THE
2 GOALS AND THOSE PREFERENCE PROGRAMS. THIS PILOT PROGRAM IS THE
3 NEXT EVOLUTION OF USING OUR PURCHASING POWER FOR ECONOMIC
4 DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES AND LOOKING AT EACH OF THE CATEGORIES AND
5 REALLY HONING IN ON WHERE WE COULD GET THE WIN AND FOR BOTH
6 THE BUSINESSES, BUT ALSO THE DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE IT HAS TO
7 MEET THE DEPARTMENT'S NEEDS.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT.

10

11 **MICHAEL OWH:** AND MAKING SURE THAT WE CAN DO THAT IN A WAY THAT
12 EXPONENTIALLY BENEFITS EVERYBODY IS GOING TO BE THE KEY.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BECAUSE SOME OF THESE MANUFACTURERS WHO ARE
15 MAKING STUFF IN L.A. STUFF IN L.A. COUNTY MAY NOT BE A SMALL
16 BUSINESS. SO THEY MAY NOT FIT INTO ANOTHER CATEGORY, BUT THIS
17 GIVES A WHOLE NEW CATEGORY OF PREFERENCE, WHICH IS YOU'RE
18 MAKING STUFF.

19

20 **MICHAEL OWH:** THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY, GOOD. WELL, THANK YOU FOR BOTH OF
23 THESE. I THINK THAT THESE ARE BOTH IMPORTANT AND THEY MAKE
24 SENSE TO DO THEM TOGETHER. AND I HOPE PEOPLE SEE THAT WE'RE
25 SUPPORTING BUSINESSES, BUT WE'RE SUPPORTING OUR WORKERS FIRST



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND FOREMOST TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY GET WHAT THEY DESERVE.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. EXECUTIVE
5 OFFICER, CAN WE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO
6 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
9 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. JACQUELINE INIGUEZ, FLORA
10 MELENDEZ, CARLOS AMADOR, MARIA JUUR, GREGORIO MANCILLA, JULIA
11 FIGUEIRA, MCDONOUGH, YVONNE MEDRANO, BREANNA MALDONADO, SOPHIA
12 BRAVO, MARIA OLIVARRIAS, DAISY GONZALEZ, JUAN CARLOS GONZALEZ,
13 SALVADOR GEORGE, CESAR JACOBO, CARMEN GUTIERREZ, SYLVIA
14 PERALTA, VANESSA MELANDREZ, JORGE BOCANEGRA, JAIME GABRERA,
15 DANIEL GARDOZA, MARILYN BARRIOS, MARILYN CHAVEZ. CALLER WITH
16 PHONE NUMBER 302723, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
17 AND BEGIN.

18

19 **NAYANTARA BANERJEE:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. I AM NAYANTARA
20 BANERJEE, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MANAGER WITH THE GARMENT
21 WORKERS CENTER AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT BOTH MOTIONS. PAIRING
22 THEM IS THE RIGHT STRATEGY. ONE PREVENTS WAGE THEFT
23 PROACTIVELY AND THE OTHER REWARDS RESPONSIBLE LOCAL
24 MANUFACTURERS. SO I WANT TO GIVE YOU A REALLY QUICK EXAMPLE. A
25 FEW YEARS AGO, I ATTENDED A DEO EVENT, AND I RECEIVED A TOTE



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SUPERVISORS

1 BAG THAT SAID SHOP LOCAL IN L.A. COUNTY BUT THAT BAG WAS MADE
2 IN BANGLADESH WHEN RIGHT HERE IN L.A. WE HAVE THE NATION'S
3 LARGEST GARMENT INDUSTRY. SO THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED TO
4 CHANGE. FOR OUR GARMENT INDUSTRY ESPECIALLY THIS IS CONSTANTLY
5 BATTERED BY THE VOLATILITY OF PRODUCING FOR FAST FASHION. SO
6 STABLE RESPONSIBLE DEMAND FROM THE COUNTY CAN MEAN THE
7 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPORADIC WORK AND WAGE THEFT AND A REAL
8 RELIABLE JOB FOR GARMENT WORKERS. OUR TAX DOLLARS SHOULD
9 SUPPORT ETHICAL BUSINESSES SO THEY CAN GROW AND STAY HERE AND
10 OFFER GOOD JOBS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO BRINGING OUR EXPERIENCE
11 AND OUR COALITION TO CONNECT INSTITUTIONS WITH ETHICAL
12 MANUFACTURERS THAT WE DIRECTLY MONITOR INTO THE STAKEHOLDER
13 GROUPS, AND WE HOPE TO SEE MORE SERVICE SECTOR AND WORKER CO-
14 OP.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANI BRIJAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
17 PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **ANI BRIJAN:** ANI BRIJAN WITH CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION HERE TO
20 VOICE OUR CONCERNS ON ITEM 25. SAFE, FAIR WORKPLACES ARE
21 ESSENTIAL TO STRONG BUSINESSES, THRIVING COMMUNITIES, AND
22 MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYEES. AND EMPLOYERS ARE
23 FIRMLY COMMITTED TO PROTECTING WORKERS' RIGHTS AND COMPLYING
24 WITH EMPLOYMENT LAWS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE CONCERNS THAT SEVERAL
25 OF THE PROPOSED ACTIONS COULD CREATE UNINTENDED CHALLENGES FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 EMPLOYERS ACROSS LOS ANGELES, FROM MAJOR INDUSTRIES TO THE
2 MANY SMALL AND MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES WORKING HARD EACH DAY
3 TO STAY OPEN. BUSINESSES PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN LOS ANGELES.
4 THEY CREATE JOBS, GENERATE TAXES THAT PAY FOR CRITICAL
5 SERVICES, ATTRACT FOOT TRAFFIC AND OPPORTUNITY, AND MUCH MORE.
6 WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT ANY POLICY CHANGES CONTINUE TO SUPPORT
7 THEIR ABILITY TO DO SO. FOR THESE REASONS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO
8 CONSIDER APPROACHES THAT BOTH STRENGTHEN WORKER PROTECTIONS
9 AND SUPPORT A FAIR AND IMPARTIAL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT. THANK
10 YOU.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 262352,
13 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

14
15 **ORKIDIA DE BOIREYES:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ORKIDIA DE
16 BOIREYES WITH CHIRLA. IN SUPPORT, THESE MOTIONS WILL HELP
17 ENSURE L.A. COUNTY WORKERS GET THE PAY THAT THEY HAVE
18 RIGHTFULLY EARNED AND SUPPORT THE LOCAL EMPLOYERS THAT ARE
19 DOING IT RIGHT AND PROVIDING HIGH-QUALITY JOBS WITH LIVING
20 WAGES AND SAFE CONDITIONS. L.A. COUNTY IS THE WAGE THEFT
21 CAPITAL OF THE UNITED STATES. THE COUNTY MUST TAKE A PROACTIVE
22 APPROACH AND WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH TRUSTED COMMUNITY-BASED
23 ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE WORKERS HAVE THE RESOURCES THAT THEY
24 NEED TO RECEIVE A PAYCHECK THAT THEY'VE EARNED. A COUNTY THAT
25 ENFORCES THE LAWS ON THE BOOKS IS GOOD FOR WORKERS AND GOOD



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SUPERVISORS

1 FOR BUSINESS. WITHOUT ENFORCEMENT, BAD ACTORS CAN UNDERCUT
2 GOOD ONES AND DRIVE A RACE TO THE BOTTOM. L.A. COUNTY IS A
3 MANUFACTURING HUB AND IT'S HOME TO THE NATION'S LARGEST
4 GARMENT MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY. LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES ARE
5 MAKING THE PRODUCTS L.A. COUNTY NEEDS EVERY DAY WHILE ALSO
6 PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY CAREER PATHS FOR ANGELENA. L.A. COUNTY
7 HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO USE ITS OWN MARKET POWER TO SUPPORT
8 THESE EMPLOYERS BY BUYING THE PRODUCTS IT NEEDS FROM THE
9 PRODUCERS IN OUR OWN BACKYARD ALL WHILE HELPING GROW HIGH
10 QUALITY JOBS THAT SUPPORT FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTY.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 310462
13 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

14
15 **ERIKA GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ERIKA GONZALEZ AND I'M
16 HERE ON BEHALF OF CARECEN, THE CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE
17 CENTER. THROUGH OUR DAY LABOR CENTER, CARECEN HAS WITNESSED
18 HOW WAGE THEFT IS A COMMON OCCURRENCE FOR JORNALEROS.
19 JORNALEROS TELL US THAT THEY, GIVEN THE CURRENT BARRIERS TO
20 WAGE THEFT CLAIMS, MANY CONTINUE WORKING RATHER THAN FIGHT FOR
21 STOLEN WAGES BECAUSE TO THEM THAT MONEY IS LOST. THE COUNTY
22 MUST TAKE A PROACTIVE APPROACH AND WORK HAND IN HAND WITH
23 TRUSTED COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE WORKERS HAVE
24 THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO RECEIVE THE PAYCHECK THEY'VE
25 EARNED. WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THESE



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1 MOTIONS TO ENSURE L.A. COUNTY WORKERS GET THE PAY THEY
2 RIGHTFULLY EARNED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JOHN BWARIE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
5 PLEASE BEGIN.

6

7 **JOHN BWARIE:** GOOD MORNING, JOHN BWARIE. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
8 DIRECTOR OF THE MADE IN L.A. COALITION AND WE'RE HERE TO
9 SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 26. THIS MADE IN L.A. PILOT PROGRAM REALLY
10 WILL CHANGE THE GAME AND DEMONSTRATE THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT
11 TO THE THOUSANDS OF MANUFACTURERS IN GARMENT AND ACROSS
12 INDUSTRIES FROM FOOD TO FURNISHINGS TO EVEN FRAGRANCES AND
13 HOME CARE. THESE ARE ALL PRODUCTS BEING MADE ACROSS THE COUNTY
14 AND THIS IS A STATEMENT BY PASSING THIS INITIATIVE THAT SAYS
15 THE COUNTY OF L.A. IS SUPPORTING SMALL MANUFACTURERS. WE
16 APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORT TO ADVANCE THIS AND LOOK FORWARD TO
17 WORKING WITH STAFF AND YOUR OFFICES TO IMPLEMENT THE BEST
18 PROGRAM TO SUPPORT AND UPLIFT MANUFACTURERS ACROSS THE COUNTY.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213627,
21 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

22

23 **BRIAN BIANCHETTI:** MY NAME IS BRIAN BIANCHETTI I'M THE FOUNDER
24 OF THE MADE IN L.A. COALITION AND THE CEO OF PEOPLE'S CHOICE
25 BEEF JERKY AND I SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE HUNDREDS OF LOCAL L.A.



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1 COUNTY MANUFACTURERS THAT CHOOSE TO CALL LOS ANGELES HOME IN
2 THAT IT'S GETTING MORE AND MORE DIFFICULT TO OPERATE
3 BUSINESSES HERE, BUT WE'RE COMMITTED. WE'RE COMMITTED TO THE
4 COUNTY. WE'RE COMMITTED TO CREATING HIGH GROWTH JOBS, TO
5 LAUNCHING AND GROWING PRODUCTS, AND PROVING THAT L.A. IS STILL
6 HOME TO ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MANUFACTURING HUBS IN THE
7 COUNTRY, AND WE SUPPORT THE NUMBER 26, BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO
8 MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR ALL OF US. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH TO
9 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND WE'RE BIG FANS OF NUMBER 26, SO THANK
10 YOU.

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12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 562325,
13 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

14
15 **LUPITA MARTINEZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
16 NAME IS LUPITA MARTINEZ, WITH CHIRLA AND IMMIGRANTS ARE L.A.
17 FIRST, I WANT TO THANK THE LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY
18 MITCHELL AND CO-AUTHOR, BOARD OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IMMIGRANTS
19 ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY WAGE THEFT. THIS IS NOTHING
20 NEW TO ALL THE FOLKS THAT WE SERVE AT CHIRLA. SO I WANT TO
21 TAKE THE TIME TO SUPPORT MOTION, BOTH MOTIONS 25 AND 26, AND
22 I'LL YIELD MY TIME FOR THE REST OF THE CALLERS.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 434745,
25 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.



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2 **NOAH KNOWLTON-LATKIN:** HI, MY NAME IS NOAH KNOWLTON-LATKIN. I'M
3 A PROUD MEMBER OF THE TEAMSTER'S UNION. I'VE ALSO WORKED IN
4 THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY WHERE I SAW FIRSTHAND HOW RAMPANT
5 WAGE STUFF CAN BE WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE PROPER PROTECTIONS, EVEN
6 WHEN WORKERS KNOW THAT THEIR WAGES ARE BEING STOLEN. IF
7 THERE'S NOT PROPER ENFORCEMENT, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO ACTUALLY
8 REACH OUT AND DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE SIMPLY
9 TOO SCARED OF THE CONSEQUENCES. I'VE ALSO SEEN THAT AMAZON
10 WORKERS RECENTLY WERE ABLE TO GET HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF
11 DOLLARS BACK IN STOLEN WAGES, BUT THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE THEY
12 FOUGHT BACK AND ORGANIZED. THEY SHOULD NOT HAVE TO DO THAT,
13 AND THIS IS AN EXCELLENT WAY TO BE ABLE TO STOP THAT.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 310200,
16 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

17

18 **ESTEFANY CASTANEDA:** HI, I'M ESTEFANY CASTANEDA, VICE PRESIDENT
19 OF THE CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SPEAKING ON
20 MY OWN BEHALF AND A LABOR ORGANIZER WHO LIVES AND GREW UP IN
21 UNINCORPORATED LENNOX. I'M SUPPORTIVE OF BOTH OF THESE
22 MOTIONS. I'VE STOOD ON PICKET LINES WITH PREDOMINANTLY BROWN
23 GARMENT WORKERS FIGHTING LARGE CORPORATIONS THAT SHUT DOWN AND
24 DISAPPEAR BEFORE BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE. I'VE GONE ON STRIKE
25 WITH WORKERS WHOSE WAGES WERE STOLEN WHO THEN HAD TO WAIT



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1 YEARS TO GET BACK WHAT THEY WERE ALREADY OWED. YEARS THAT
2 FAMILIES SIMPLY CAN'T AFFORD. IN COMMUNITIES LIKE LENOX, THAT
3 LAW SHOWS UP IN OUR SCHOOLS. IT'S RENT THAT CAN'T GET PAID,
4 STRESS THAT FOLLOWS STUDENTS INTO THE CLASSROOM, AND KIDS
5 TRYING TO LEARN WHILE THEIR FAMILIES ARE JUST TRYING TO STAY
6 AFLOAT. THAT'S WHY ENFORCEMENT MATTERS. WORKERS DESERVE THE
7 PAY THEY'VE ALREADY EARNED, AND RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYERS
8 SHOULDN'T BE UNDERCUT BY THOSE WHO BREAK THE LAW. FOR US, THIS
9 ISN'T ABOUT STABILITY FOR FAMILIES. THIS IS ABOUT STABILITY
10 FOR FAMILIES AND A BETTER SHOT FOR OUR STUDENTS. I APPRECIATE
11 YOU BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. AND I --

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213908,
14 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER,
15 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 562581, YOUR LINE
16 IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **JACKIE ROMERO:** GOOD MORNING. JACKIE ROMERO WITH THE CALIFORNIA
19 RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION SPEAKING ON ITEM 25. WE HAVE
20 SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS WITH THE DIRECTION OF THIS ITEM.
21 EMPLOYERS ARE COMMITTED TO PROTECTING WORKERS' RIGHTS AND
22 COMPLYING WITH THE LAW. THOSE GOALS ARE SHARED BUT ACHIEVING
23 THEM REQUIRES THOUGHTFUL POLICYMAKING AND MEANINGFUL
24 COLLABORATION WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE BUSINESS
25 COMMUNITY RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION. AS PROPOSED, THIS



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1 APPROACH RAISES SERIOUS CONCERN ABOUT GOVERNMENT OVERREACH,
2 ACCOUNTABILITY, DUPLICATION OF EXISTING STATE ENFORCEMENT, AND
3 UNINTENDED ECONOMIC IMPACTS. MOVING AWAY FROM A COMPLAINT-
4 BASED SYSTEM NEGATIVELY IMPACTS BUSINESSES WITH NO HISTORY OF
5 LABOR VIOLATIONS. ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS SHOULD REMAIN FOCUSED ON
6 BAD-FACE ACTORS. NOTABLY, THE LEGISLATURE REMOVED A PUBLIC
7 DASHBOARD FROM AB 261 REFLECTING SIMILAR CONCERNS ABOUT THESE
8 TYPES OF APPROACHES. THESE ARE NOT MINOR ISSUES, THEY GO TO
9 FEASIBILITY, COST, AND EFFECTIVENESS. WE CONTINUE TO
10 RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD TO ENSURE ROBUST STAKEHOLDER
11 ENGAGEMENT BEFORE MOVING FORWARD WITH ANY POLICY PROPOSALS.
12 SPECIFICALLY, WE URGE YOU TO TREAT THE PROPOSED DASHBOARD AS A
13 REPORT BACK, NOT AS A DIRECTIVE, SO THAT THE BOARD HAS A FULL
14 UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPACT, COST, AND RESOURCES NEEDED BEFORE
15 - -

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO IN-PERSON
18 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

19
20 **FLOR MELENDREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS FLOR MELENDREZ, AND I
21 PROUDLY SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CLEAN CAR WASH
22 WORKER CENTER, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT FOCUSES ON
23 ORGANIZING AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OF CAR WASH WORKERS. I'M
24 HERE TO SHOW SUPPORT IN MOTIONS 25 AND 26. AS A TRUSTED
25 ORGANIZATION IN OUR COMMUNITY GIVEN OUR CURRENT POLITICAL



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1 CLIMATE NOT ONLY ARE THESE MOTIONS NEEDED BUT THEY ARE
2 CRUCIAL. WITH SO MANY ATTACKS IN OUR COMMUNITIES WE HAVE TO
3 ENSURE THAT THERE IS A STRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS WORKERS WHOSE
4 WAGES ARE STOLEN AND THAT CONTINUES TO PROVIDE A FAIR PLAYING
5 FIELD FOR THE EMPLOYERS WHO ARE FOLLOWING THE LAW. DURING THE
6 LAST YEAR, WE HAVE WITNESSED THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY AND OTHER
7 LOW-WAGE INDUSTRIES BE HARASSED AT THE WORKPLACE. AND AS WE
8 CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP DIRECTLY WITH WORKERS, NOT ONLY ARE THEY
9 LIVING IN FEAR, BUT THEY ARE ALSO COMING TO US AS A TRUSTED
10 WORKER CENTER FOR SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE. THESE MOTIONS WILL
11 HELP ENSURE L.A. COUNTY WORKERS GET THE PAY THEY HAVE
12 RIGHTFULLY EARNED AND SUPPORT THE LOCAL EMPLOYERS.

13
14 **CARLOS AMADOR:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS CARLOS AMADOR. I'M
15 WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKERS CENTER, ALSO PART OF THE L.A.
16 WORKERS CENTER NETWORK IN SUPPORT OF ITEMS 25 AND 26. OUR
17 ORGANIZATION IS INCUBATING A WORKER COOPERATIVE FOCUSED ON
18 MOBILE CAR WASH SERVICES. IT IS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
19 PROJECT THAT SUPPORTS CAR WASH WORKERS, EARN FAIR WAGES AS
20 WELL AS BUILD THEIR LEADERSHIP AND ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS.
21 CLEANWASH MOBILE, THE COOPERATIVE, IS ESTABLISHED IN LOS
22 ANGELES AND COMPOSED OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS SERVICING
23 THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA. SO THIS PROJECT IS PART OF THE
24 L.A. COUNTY ECONOMIC POWER AND L.A. COUNTY HAS THE OPPORTUNITY
25 TO USE ITS OWN MARKET POWER TO SUPPORT THESE LOCAL BUSINESSES



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1 BY BUYING THE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IT NEEDS WHILE ALSO
2 HELPING GROW THE QUALITY JOBS THAT OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS. SO
3 THEREFORE, I WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 25 AND 26. THANK
4 YOU.

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

7
8 **MARIA JUUR:** HELLO. MARIA, YOU ARE ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES
9 WORKERS' CENTER NETWORK IN SUPPORT OF ITEMS 25 AND 26. SO L.A.
10 CONTINUES TO BE THE WAGE-DEBT CAPITAL OF THE NATION WITH
11 LOWEST-INCOME WORKERS LOSING AROUND 12% OF THEIR WAGES TO WAGE
12 THEFT EVERY YEAR. WAGE THEFT UNDERCUTS FAMILIES' ABILITIES TO
13 PROVIDE FOR THEMSELVES AND PUSHES THEM INTO GREATER DEPENDENCE
14 ON PUBLIC PROGRAMS. AS OUR REPORT PUBLISHED IN COLLABORATION
15 WITH THE UCLA LABOR CENTER HAS DOCUMENTED, WAGE THEFT ALSO
16 FUELS OUR REGION'S HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. STUDIES
17 ATTRIBUTE RISING HOMELESSNESS TO LOSS OF INCOME ABOVE ALL ELSE
18 AND WAGE THEFT COMPOUNDS THAT RISK FOR WORKERS OF COLOR,
19 WOMEN, AND IMMIGRANTS. STRENGTHENING THE OLE'S ENFORCEMENT
20 CAPACITY IS BOTH AN ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND A FISCAL IMPERATIVE.
21 AS L.A. PREPARES TO HOST THE WORLD CUP AND THE OLYMPICS, OUR
22 LABOR STANDARDS WILL BE UNDER SCRUTINY GLOBALLY. PLEASE PASS
23 THESE MOTIONS. THANK YOU. AND I ALSO HAVE THESE LETTERS TO
24 SUBMIT FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD. THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **JULIA FIGUERIA MCDONOUGH:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULIA
4 FIGUERIA MCDONOUGH. I'M THE ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR
5 ECONOMIC JUSTICE AT BET TZEDEK, HERE TO SUPPORT ITEMS 25 AND
6 26. BET TZEDEK PROVIDES FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO LOW-WAGE
7 WORKERS AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS. WE PARTNER CLOSELY WITH
8 WORKER CENTERS AND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS. AND WE
9 KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE THAT THEIR INTERESTS ARE VERY MUCH
10 ALIGNED. A CO-ENFORCEMENT WAGE RECOVERY MODEL CENTERED ON
11 WORKER PARTICIPATION AND ORGANIZING MAXIMIZES IMPACT DIRECTING
12 DOLLARS BACK INTO OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. LIKEWISE, PROCUREMENT
13 POLICIES THAT GIVE A FAIR SHOT TO HIGH ROAD, LOCALLY OWNED
14 SMALL BUSINESSES HELP LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD FOR RESPONSIBLE
15 EMPLOYERS AND MAKE GOOD JOBS A REALITY FOR MORE WORKERS
16 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WITH THE UPCOMING GAMES BRINGING
17 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, MILLIONS OF VISITORS, AND THE WORLD'S
18 ATTENTION TO L.A., THERE'S NO BETTER TIME TO BUILD AN
19 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SERVES THE WORKERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES
20 THAT DRIVE OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. WE APPLAUD SUPERVISORS MITCHELL
21 AND SOLIS FOR THEIR VISION AND COMMITMENT TO WORKING ON
22 ANGELENOS AND URGE THE BOARD TO MEET THIS MOMENT AND JOIN THEM
23 IN PASSING THESE MOTIONS. THANK YOU.

24

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



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1
2 **YVONNE MEDRANO:** GOOD MORNING, YVONNE MEDRANO IN FAVOR OF
3 AGENDA NUMBER 25. I AM THE DIRECTING ATTORNEY FOR BET TZEDEK
4 LEGAL SERVICES EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS PROJECT. WE ARE THE ONLY
5 LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDER THAT CAN REPRESENT ANY WORKER IN L.A.
6 COUNTY, REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS. THROUGH THE YEARS OF
7 FILING WITH THE CALIFORNIA LABOR COMMISSIONER, WE HAVE WATCHED
8 THE PROCESSING TIMES GROW FROM TWO TO FIVE YEARS. THE TWO MOST
9 IMPACTED OFFICES ARE RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THE WAGE THEFT
10 CAPITAL OF THE NATION. THAT IS PRECISELY WHY DCBA'S
11 INVESTIGATIVE WORK IS SO CRITICAL AND WHY THIS MOTION TO
12 STRENGTHEN ITS CAPACITY TO ADDRESS WAGE THEFT IS SO ESSENTIAL.
13 THE ARGUMENT THAT THIS PROCESS IS DUPLICATIVE MISUNDERSTANDS
14 THE REALITY WORKERS FACE. CURRENTLY WORKERS WHO FILE A MINIMUM
15 WAGE CLAIM WITH DCBA MUST SEPARATELY FILE WITH THE LABOR
16 COMMISSIONER FOR OVERTIME REST AND MEAL BREAK VIOLATIONS. THIS
17 MOTION ELIMINATES THAT BURDEN AND MAKES DCBA MORE EFFICIENT.
18 WE ALSO URGE THE BOARD TO RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF COLLABORATING
19 WITH WORKER CENTERS. THEY SERVE AS TRUSTED INTERMEDIARIES
20 BETWEEN LOW WAGE IMMIGRANT WORKERS AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. WE
21 THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO
22 WORKERS.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
25



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1 **JACQUELINE INIGUEZ:** HELLO, JACQUELINE INIGUEZ. GOOD MORNING,
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M A POLICY MANAGER FOR THE LOS ANGELES
3 AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND I'LL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM 25. THE
4 CHAMBER HAS CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROPOSED MOTION TO EXPAND
5 THE COUNTY'S CO-ENFORCEMENT MODEL OF WORKPLACE VIOLATIONS. THE
6 CREATION OF A WORKER ADVISORY BODY TO TARGET HIGH-RISK
7 INDUSTRIES, ALONG WITH THE ALLOCATION OF THE COUNTY'S LIMITED
8 RESOURCES TO POTENTIALLY DUPLICATE ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVES
9 WILL IMPOSE BROADER DISPROPORTIONATE BURDENS ON SMALL
10 BUSINESSES, PARTICULARLY FOR RESTAURANTS AND RETAIL
11 ESTABLISHMENTS AS THEY CONTINUE TO RECOVER FROM POST PANDEMIC
12 AND FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IMPACTS. WHILE THE CHAMBER
13 STRONGLY SUPPORTS WORKER PROTECTIONS AND FULL COMPLIANCE WITH
14 EMPLOYMENT LAWS, THE PROPOSAL RAISES CONCERNS RELATED TO
15 EMPLOYER PRIVACY DUE PROCESS.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT HAPPENED TO HER MIC. GO AHEAD
18 AGAIN. WE'LL GIVE YOU YOUR TIME.

19
20 **JACQUELINE INIGUEZ:** I THINK IT WAS JUST ME. SORRY. DUE PROCESS
21 PROTECTIONS IN THE USE OF LIMITED COUNTY RESOURCES, THE
22 CHAMBER RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE COUNTY TO REJECT THE
23 PROPOSAL BUT PURSUE AN APPROACH THAT SAFEGUARDS WORKER
24 PROTECTION WHILE STILL PROMOTING A COMPETITIVE BUSINESS
25 ENVIRONMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.



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

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4 **GREGORIO MANCILLA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

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6 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS GREGORIO MANCILLA, AND I
7 AM HERE WITH THE GARMENT WORKERS CENTER. I'VE BEEN WORKING IN
8 THE GARMENT INDUSTRY FOR 30 YEARS. AND I'VE ALSO SUFFERED FROM
9 WAGE THEFT. WORKING FOR 10 HOURS A DAY FROM MONDAY THROUGH
10 FRIDAY FOR \$350 DOLLARS TO \$400 DOLLARS A WEEK. THIS IS A
11 SMART INVESTMENT ON THE COUNTY'S BEHALF. EVERY DOLLAR THAT WE
12 TAKE BACK GOES BACK TO THE POCKETS OF THOSE OF THE LOW-INCOME
13 WORKERS WHO INVESTED LOCALLY AS IT IS WITH FOOD, CHILD'S CARE,
14 AND ALSO WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITY. THAT HELPS THE WORKERS, LOCAL
15 BUSINESSES, AND ALL COMPANIES. THE GARMENT WORKERS CENTER FROM
16 LOS ANGELES ALSO SUPPORT THIS MOTION THAT WILL HELP BY
17 GENERATING BETTER BUSINESSES AND MORE EMPLOYMENT IN LOS
18 ANGELES. THIS IS A GREAT STEP FORWARD FOR THE MANUFACTURING
19 SECTOR IN THE LOCAL AREA. BY USING THE POWER OF THE COUNTY FOR
20 LOCAL BUSINESSES.

21

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

23

24 **BREANNA MALDONADO:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
25 BREANNA MALDONADO AND I AM A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WORKING AT



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1 LANE, A LONG TIME PARTNER OF THE COUNTY. I AM HERE STRONGLY
2 SUPPORTING ITEM 25 AND 26. EVERY DAY OUR TEAM IS ON THE GROUND
3 TALKING TO NON-UNION GROCERY AND RETAIL WORKERS THROUGHOUT
4 L.A. COUNTY, PROVIDING ESSENTIAL KNOW YOUR RIGHT INFORMATION.
5 IMAGINE WORKING A FULL DAY LIKE TODAY AND NOT RECEIVING YOUR
6 DAY'S PAY TO SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY TO PAY FOR RENT AND FOOD AND
7 HAVING THAT MENTAL TOLL WEIGH ON YOU ON BEING \$50 OR \$80
8 SHORT. THROUGH THESE HUNDREDS OF CONVERSATIONS, ONE THING IS
9 DEVASTATING CLEAR. WAGE AND HOUR VIOLATIONS ARE THE PRIMARY
10 CRISIS FACING THESE WORKERS. THIS INITIATIVE HELPS MAINTAIN
11 THE HIGH STANDARDS SET BY OUR UNION GROCERY STORES BY CRACKING
12 DOWN ON WAGE THEFT IN NON-UNION SHOPS. WE ENSURE THAT BAD
13 ACTOR EMPLOYERS CANNOT UNDERCUT RESPONSIBLE BUSINESSES BY
14 EXPLOITING THEIR STAFF. VOTE YES TO ENSURE L.A. COUNTY WORKERS
15 CAN FINALLY RECLAIM THEIR WAGES THAT ARE RIGHTFULLY THEIRS. A
16 DAY'S WORK SHOULD BE --

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

19
20 **CESAR JACOBO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

21
22 **INTERPRETER:** MY NAME IS CESAR JACOBO. I SUPPORT MOTION 25 AND
23 26. I HAVE BEEN WORKING AT THE CAR WASH CLEAN FOR 32 YEARS. MY
24 EXPERIENCE IN THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY HAS BEEN WAGE THEFT. THEY
25 DID NOT PAY ME OVERTIME, NOR DID THEY PAY ME OR GIVE ME MY 10



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1 MINUTES OF BREAK. IN THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY, WE HAVE BEEN
2 NEEDING TO ACCEPT ALL OF THESE VIOLATIONS IN FEAR OF LOSING
3 OUR WORK, AND EVEN MORE SO NOW WITH THESE RATES THAT IMPACT
4 SEVERELY OUR CAR WASHES, AND IT CAUSES EVEN MORE FEAR. THE LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY IS THE CAPITAL OF WAGE THEFT IN THE UNITED
6 STATES. THE COUNTY SHOULD ADOPT AND FOCUS ON A PROACTIVE,
7 HAND-IN-HAND ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE COMMUNITIES TO BE ABLE
8 TO TRUST AND GUARANTEE THAT THE WORKERS DO HAVE THE RESOURCES
9 NEEDED TO RECEIVE A CHECK AND TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THE MONEY
10 THAT THEY REQUIRE. GRACIAS SUPERVISOR, HOLLY MITCHELL, FOR
11 LEADING THIS MOTION.

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

14
15 **SILVIA PERALTA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

16
17 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SILVIA PERALTA I
18 HAVE WORKED IN THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY FOR EIGHT YEARS, AND I AM
19 MEMBER LEADER OF CENTRO TRABAJADORES CLEAN. NOW THAT OUR CAR
20 WASH COLLEAGUES AND OURSELVES SUFFER WITH WAGE THEFT AND
21 VIOLATIONS IN OUR AREA OF WORK, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT MOTIONS
22 LIKE THESE BECOME REALITY. THESE MOTIONS WOULD HELP GUARANTEE
23 THAT THE WORKERS FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECEIVE THE
24 WAGES THAT THEY HAVE LEGITIMATELY EARNED BY SUPPORTING LOCAL
25 BUSINESSES THAT ARE DOING IT RIGHT. THAT ARE DOING IT RIGHT.



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1 AND BY SUPPLYING JOBS OF WELL QUALITY, AS WELL AS JUSTIFIED
2 WAGES AND SAFE CONDITIONS.

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

5
6 **CARMEN GUTIERREZ:** HI, GOOD MORNING, HELLO SUPERVISORS, AND I
7 DO WANT TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS TO HOLLY MITCHELL AND
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. MY NAME IS CARMEN GUTIERREZ. I'M AN
9 ORGANIZER WITH THE CLEAN CAR WASH WORKERS CENTER AND I'M HERE
10 TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF ITEM 25 AND 26. THESE MOTIONS WILL HELP
11 ENSURE THAT L.A. COUNTY WORKERS GET THE PAY THAT THEY HAVE
12 RIGHTFULLY EARNED. THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY IS RAMPANT WITH WAGE
13 THEFT AND RETALIATORY ACTIONS TOWARDS WORKERS THAT DECIDE TO
14 ENFORCE THEIR RIGHTS. AND PASSING ITEM 25 AND 26 WOULD MAKE IT
15 EASIER TO COLLECT THOSE STOLEN WAGES FOR CAR WASH WORKERS.
16 WORKERS WHO HAVE ALREADY SEVERELY SUFFERED FINANCIAL HARDSHIP
17 AND DEALING WITH THE AFTERMATH OF THEIR INDUSTRY BEING
18 DIRECTLY TARGETED BY FEDERAL IMMIGRATION RATES HERE IN L.A.
19 COUNTY. IN THE PAST 11 MONTHS, OVER 107 CAR WASHES HAVE BEEN -
20 -

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
23 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 25 AND 26. AND
24 WE WILL CLOSE THE QUEUE FOR REMOTE SPEAKERS. WE WILL GO BACK
25 TO IN-PERSON. PLEASE CONTINUE.



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

3

4 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MARIA. MEMBER OF THE
5 GARMENT WORKER CENTER. I HAVE WORKED IN THE GARMENT INDUSTRY
6 FOR 32 YEARS. THE GARMENT WORKERS ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE TWO
7 MOTIONS BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. ONE MOTION IS A TOOL TO ENSURE
8 THAT LOS ANGELES STOPS BEING THE WAGE THEFT CAPITAL OF THE
9 WORLD AND TO SUPPORT THE WORKERS THAT HAVE SUFFERED. TO
10 SUPPORT THE WORKERS THAT HAVE SUFFERED FOR WAGE THEFT, THAT'S
11 VERY IMPORTANT. THE GARMENT WORKERS ALSO SUPPORT THE SECOND
12 MOTION THAT WILL SUPPORT THE WORKERS AND THE ECONOMY OF LOS
13 ANGELES.

14

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

16

17 **JORGE BOCANEGRA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JORGE
18 BOCANEGRA. I'M WITH THE WESTERN STATES CARPENTERS. WE SUPPORT
19 AGENDA ITEM 25 AND 26 BECAUSE WAGE THEFT HURTS THE WORKERS WHO
20 ARE BUILDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND
21 PUBLIC PROJECTS. RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTORS AND SKILLED WORK
22 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS SHOULD NOT BE UNDERCUT BY COMPANIES THAT
23 CHEAT WORKERS AT A FAIR PAY OR IGNORE LABOR LAWS. THIS
24 PROPOSAL STRENGTHENS ENFORCEMENT, IMPROVES COORDINATION
25 BETWEEN AGENCIES, AND CREATES MORE TRANSPARENCY AND



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1 ACCOUNTABILITY. BY TARGETING INDUSTRIES WITH HIGH VIOLATIONS
2 AND PARTNERING WITH WORKER ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE
3 CARPENTERS UNION, THE COUNTY CAN BETTER PROTECT WORKERS WHILE
4 SUPPORTING RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTORS THAT INVEST IN
5 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS SAFETY AND MIDDLE-CLASS CAREERS.
6 PROTECTING WAGES ALSO HELPS STABILIZE THE CONSTRUCTION
7 WORKFORCE NEEDED TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION,
8 SCHOOLS, AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACROSS THE COUNTY. THIS
9 IS ABOUT FAIRNESS, ACCOUNTABILITY --

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

12
13 **SOFIA BRAVO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

14
15 **INTERPRETER:** MY NAME IS SOFIA BRAVO AND I HAVE WORKED IN THE
16 GARMENT INDUSTRY FOR 38 YEARS. THE GARMENT WORKERS OF LOS
17 ANGELES SUPPORT THESE MOTIONS. THESE ARE DIFFICULT TIMES FOR
18 THE WORKERS WITH LOW WAGES, ESPECIALLY THOSE IMMIGRANT
19 WORKERS, AND THE WAGE THEFT HAS MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO BE ABLE
20 TO LIVE OUR LIVES. THE GARMENT WORKERS OF LOS ANGELES ALSO
21 SUPPORT THE MOTION THAT WILL HELP GENERATE MORE BUSINESSES AS
22 WELL AS BETTER EMPLOYMENT IN LOS ANGELES. WE SUPPORT THE
23 COMPANIES THAT ABIDE BY THE LAWS AND THE RULES IN LOS ANGELES,
24 ALONG WITH SECURITY IN THE WORKPLACE, AND WE APPLAUD THE
25 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THESE MOTIONS THAT SUPPORT AND THEY



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1 ALSO APPLY WITH THE LAW. AS A WORKER, I HAVE SEEN THE LAWS
2 BEING APPLIED THROUGHOUT THE YEARS.

3

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

5

6 **MARILYN BARRIOS:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MARILYN BARRIOS. I
7 AM HERE IN FAVOR OF ITEMS 25 AND 26. I AM AN ENVIRONMENTAL
8 STUDENT. I GRADUATED FROM WEST L.A. COLLEGE IN A CURRENT UCLA
9 UNDERGRAD. I AM ALSO THE DAUGHTER OF GUATEMALAN IMMIGRANTS WHO
10 WERE DISPLACED DUE TO THE GUATEMALAN CIVIL WAR, A CONFLICT
11 THAT WAS FUELED BY US CORPORATE CORPORATIONS, AND ALSO A
12 CONFLICT THAT LED TO THE DEATH OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF
13 PEOPLE. HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, MY PARENTS FACED LOW WAGES,
14 SYSTEMIC DISCRIMINATION, AND ALSO THE INJUSTICES OF EVERY DAY
15 OF BEING BROWN AND POOR. WHILE THOSE SAME CORPORATIONS WERE
16 NEVER HELD ACCOUNTABLE. I PLEAD YOU TO DO BETTER. WHEN
17 CORPORATIONS WHEN LEFT UNCHECKED HAVE HISTORICALLY PROVEN TO
18 PLACE PROFITS ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE, INCLUDING THE SAFETY AND
19 HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE.

20

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

22

23 **JUAN CARLOS GONZALEZ:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

24

25 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUAN CARLOS GONZALEZ.



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1 I'M A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GARMENT WORKERS CENTER OF LOS
2 ANGELES. I HAVE WORKED IN THE GARMENT INDUSTRY FOR 26 YEARS.
3 IT'S SAD TO SAY, BUT I STARTED WORKING BEFORE I TURNED 17. WE
4 HAVE SUFFERED A LOT OF WAGE THEFT. MANY TIMES I'VE WORKED FROM
5 10 TO 12 TO 15 HOURS. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION. SO THAT YOU CAN
6 HELP THE GARMENT WORKERS. MANY OF US WHO HAVE CHILDREN THAT
7 CAN VOTE HAVE VOTED FOR ONE OF YOU THAT IS PRESENT HERE TODAY.
8 AND I WANT TO ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SUPPORT THIS MOTION. IT'S
9 HARD. YOU CAN LISTEN TO MY STORY, BUT LIVING IT IS DIFFERENT,
10 AND IT CANNOT BE EXPLAINED. I ASK YOU WITH MY HEART AND HAND,
11 I REPRESENT THOUSANDS OF WORKERS AND GARMENT WORKERS OF LOS
12 ANGELES. LOS ANGELES IS KNOWN FOR GARMENT WORKERS. MOST OF THE
13 BEST DESIGNS HAVE COME OUT OF HERE FOR THE WHOLE WORLD. AND
14 LASTLY, THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE GARMENT WORKERS THE
15 OPPORTUNITY TO COME SPEAK HERE.

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

18
19 **DAISY GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAISY GONZALEZ. I'M
20 THE CAMPAIGNS DIRECTOR AT THE GARMENT WORKER CENTER. THE
21 GARMENT WORKER CENTER IS IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE RECLAIMING
22 WAGES MOTION. IT'S INTEGRAL THAT PARTNERSHIPS WITH WORKER
23 CENTERS ARE THE FOUNDATION. WE HAVE THE TRUST AND THE DAILY
24 CONTACT WITH WORKERS THAT DCBA NEEDS TO ACTUALLY FIND
25 VIOLATIONS. AND THIS MOTION GETS THAT RIGHT. THIS IS A SMART



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1 INVESTMENT. EVERY DOLLAR WE RECOVER GOES BACK INTO THE POCKETS
2 OF LOW WAGE WORKERS WHO SPEND IT LOCALLY ON RENT, FOOD,
3 CHILDCARE, AND THAT HELPS WORKERS, LOCAL BUSINESSES, AND THE
4 WHOLE ECONOMY. WE'RE ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL PURCHASING
5 MOTION. IT'S A STRONG STEP FORWARD FOR THE LOCAL MANUFACTURING
6 SECTOR USING THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POWER TO SUPPORT LOCAL
7 RESPONSIBLE BUSINESSES IS EXACTLY RIGHT. WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE
8 THE COUNTY AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOCUS ON LOCAL
9 MANUFACTURING AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS MOTION IS VERY CLEAR
10 ABOUT THE ISSUE OF WAGE THEFT ACROSS MANY OF OUR LOCAL
11 INDUSTRIES. PLEASE APPROVE BOTH MOTIONS. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **GLORIA MIGUEL:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS GLORIA MIGUEL. I AM AN
16 ORGANIZER WITH GARMENT WORKERS CENTER. I'VE ALSO WORKED IN THE
17 INDUSTRY FOR 15 YEARS AND I DO KNOW THE EXPLOITATION AND THE
18 HARASSMENT THAT COMES WITH IT. WITH IT. THE CENTER OF LOS
19 ANGELES SUPPORTS THESE MOTIONS FULLY, AND WE ALSO THINK IT'S
20 FUNDAMENTAL THAT YOU CREATE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CENTER OF
21 THE WORKERS SO THAT WE CAN ALSO GAIN THAT TRUST TO BE ABLE TO
22 ALSO WORK WITH THE WORKERS DAILY. SO THAT THE DCBA ALSO NEEDS
23 TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY TRULY THESE INFRACTIONS, THIS MOTION
24 WOULD HELP. THIS MOTION ALSO AMPLIFIES THE JOINT WORKING
25 CENTER AND IT UTILIZES THE KNOWLEDGE SO THAT WE ARE ABLE TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 UNDERSTAND AND KNOW OUR DIFFERENT TERRITORIES AND WHO AND
2 WHERE WE CAN GO AND SIT AND TALK TO FOR CAMPAIGNS. IT IS GREAT
3 TO SEE THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS JOINED US IN THE LOCAL AND
4 RECOGNIZES US.

5

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

7

8 **JAIME GABRERA:** GOOD MORNING. I'M JAIME GABRERA REPRESENTING
9 FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER. I MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN AUGUST 2024
10 TO START A NEW LIFE AFTER SURVIVING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN
11 PENNSYLVANIA. I HOPE FOR A FRESH START, BUT INSTEAD I WAS
12 TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF BY THE EMPLOYER WHO HIRED ME AS A
13 CAREGIVER. DURING MY TIME AT THAT FACILITY, MY EMPLOYER
14 REQUIRED ME TO WORK FROM 5.30 A.M. TO 8.30 P.M. WITHOUT
15 BREAKS. I WAS PAID ONLY \$130 PER DAY WITH NO OVERTIME PAY, NO
16 DAYS OFF, NO BENEFITS. MY WAGES WERE OFTEN DELAYED AND MANY OF
17 THE SUPPLIES CAME FROM A FOOD PANTRY WHERE MUCH OF THE FOOD
18 WAS EXPIRED. AS A RESULT, I EVEN EXPERIENCED FOOD POISONING.
19 MY EXPERIENCE IN THAT WORKPLACE WORSENER MY ONGOING STRUGGLES
20 WITH ANXIETY, DEPRESSION, AND PTSD CAUSED BY MY TRAUMA OF
21 SURVIVING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

22

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

24

25 **VANESSA MELENDREZ:** THANK YOU, BOARD. YOU HAVE JUST HEARD FROM



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1 ONE OF OUR WORKERS AT THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER. MY NAME IS
2 VANESSA. I'M THE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE FILIPINO
3 WORKERS CENTER, AND I JUST WANTED TO COME UP HERE AND MENTION
4 THE IMPORTANCE OF ITEM 25 AND 26 AND VOTING IN FAVOR OF THEM.
5 WAGE THEFT CLAIMS TAKE YEARS TO PROCESS AT THE STATE, LEAVING
6 PEOPLE WHO ARE DEPENDING ON THESE WAGES IN A TOUGH SITUATION,
7 AS YOU JUST HEARD. THAT IS BECAUSE OF THE TREMENDOUS BACKLOG
8 THEY HAVE AT THE STATE. THAT IS WHY PASSING ITEM 25 AND 26
9 WOULD BE HELPFUL TO GET THESE PEOPLE PAID, INCREASE
10 ENFORCEMENT AND EMBOLDEN WORKERS INSTEAD OF EMPLOYERS WHO FEEL
11 NOW THAT THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH EGREGIOUS LABOR VIOLATIONS DUE
12 TO OUR SATURATED STATE SYSTEM. I WANT TO ALSO STRESS THE
13 IMPORTANCE OF WORKING WITH WORKER CENTERS WHO SPECIALIZE IN
14 TARGETED OUTREACH TO THOSE THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE. THANK YOU
15 SO MUCH.

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

18
19 **SALVADOR GEORGE:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
20 BOARD. MY NAME IS SALVADOR GEORGE AND I'M A 20-YEAR CARPENTER,
21 CURRENTLY SERVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE CARPENTERS UNION.
22 WE STRONGLY SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM 25 AND 26 BECAUSE IT ADDRESSES
23 EXACTLY WHAT WE SEE EVERY DAY IN THE FIELD. IN RESIDENTIAL
24 CONSTRUCTION, WAGE THEFT IS NOT RARE. IT'S COMMON. WORKERS ARE
25 BEING PAID LESS THAN MINIMUM WAGE, OFF THE BOOKS, DENIED



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1 OVERTIME, AND IN SOME CASES EVEN LIVING ON THE JOB SITES UNDER
2 UNSAFE CONDITIONS, MANY ARE AFRAID TO SPEAK UP. TODAY, OUR
3 TEAM IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH A SITUATION WHERE A WORKER HAS
4 NOT BEEN COMPENSATED IN 8 MONTHS FOR WORKING 15 HOURS A DAY
5 THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, FROM 3 P.M. TO 7 A.M. AS A SECURITY
6 GUARD AND GENERAL LABOR CLEANUP FOR CONSTRUCTION SITE. AND NOW
7 THAT HE HAS REQUESTED OUR ASSISTANCE, THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR
8 HAS THREATENED TO DEPORT HIM BY THREATS OF CONTRACTING I.C.E.
9 HE HAS BEEN OFFERED \$400 TO GO AWAY.

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

12
13 **SALVADOR GEORGE:** THANK YOU.

14
15 **DANIEL CARDOZA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DANIEL CARDOZO. I'M A
16 SMALL BUSINESS OWNER HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND A BOARD MEMBER OF
17 THE ALLIANCE FOR RESPONSIBLE APPAREL MANUFACTURING AND
18 PURCHASING. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE TWO QUICK POINTS. THE FIRST
19 IS THE CURRENT PREFERENCE CATEGORY GIVES PREFERENCE TO LOCAL
20 BUSINESSES, BUT EVEN IF THEY OUTSOURCE THEIR PRODUCTION,
21 CONTRIBUTING TO THE LOSS OF OUR MANUFACTURING JOBS HERE IN
22 L.A. COUNTY. AND THE SECOND POINT I WANTED TO MAKE WAS MINIMUM
23 WAGE INCREASES ARE, OF COURSE, CRUCIALLY IMPORTANT, BUT WE
24 NEED TO BE REALISTIC ABOUT THE IMPACT OF MINIMUM WAGE
25 INCREASES ON PRICES. WITH THIS PROGRAM, THE COUNTY HAS THE



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1 OPPORTUNITY TO LEAD BY EXAMPLE AND SHOW THAT IF PRICE IS THE
2 ONLY CONSIDERATION FOR CONSUMERS, WE CANNOT HOPE TO RETAIN
3 DIGNIFIED MIDDLE-CLASS JOBS IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO
4 MUCH.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU
10 WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED.

11

12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YES, I WANTED
13 TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO CAME TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY TODAY. WE
14 HEARD SOME HEART-WRENCHING STORIES, AND I APPRECIATE YOUR
15 WILLINGNESS TO SHARE THEM TO HELP EDUCATE US ALL ABOUT THE
16 IMPORTANCE OF THE ISSUE THAT WE'RE TRYING TO ADDRESS TODAY.
17 SECONDLY, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO THANK THE CHAMBER FOR BEING HERE
18 IN PERSON, AND I LISTENED VERY CLOSELY TO SOME OF THE BUSINESS
19 ASSOCIATIONS WHO CALLED IN. I KNOW THAT THERE WERE SOME
20 QUESTIONS RAISED IN CLUSTER, WHICH IS WHY WE HAD YOU TWO HERE
21 TO ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES. AND I'M UNCLEAR, BASED ON THE KIND OF
22 TESTIMONY WE'VE SEEN AND WHAT WE'RE PUTTING FORWARD IN THE
23 MOTION, REALLY THE TRUE NATURE OF THEIR OPPOSITION. OTHER THAN
24 SOME VEILED REFERENCE TO MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES, I DIDN'T
25 GET THE POINT. BECAUSE LET ME JUST BE CLEAR, IF A MINORITY-



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1 OWNED BUSINESS DOES NOT PAY PEOPLE FOR A FAIR DAY'S WORK, THEN
2 THE MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE TOO.
3 LET ME JUST BE CLEAR. SECONDLY, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY, THE
4 COUNTY HAS DONE AMAZING WORK FOR SMALL BUSINESSES JUST THE
5 RELATIVELY SHORT TIME SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE. BUSINESS
6 INTERRUPTION FUND FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY RETAIL
7 THEFT, HOMELESSNESS, AND TO DATE, DEO HAS ADMINISTERED
8 \$86,000,000 IN GRANTS SINCE 2022 TO BUSINESSES COUNTYWIDE. THE
9 COMMERCIAL ACQUISITION FUND, OVER \$15,000,000 TO HELP SMALL
10 BUSINESSES ACQUIRE THEIR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY. WE MADE SURE
11 THAT SMALL BUSINESSES WERE ABLE TO RECEIVE HELP AS A RESULT OF
12 THE FIRE RELIEF GRANTS. DISTRIBUTED OVER \$25,000,000 IN
13 ECONOMIC RELIEF GRANTS DURING COVID, THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
14 GRANTS. WE ADVOCATED FOR AND PASSED AN ECONOMIC MOBILITY
15 INITIATIVE THAT NOT ONLY HAS PROVIDED SMALL DOLLAR GRANTS TO
16 SMALL BUSINESSES BUT PROVIDED ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING AND
17 MENTORSHIP. THE COMMERCIAL STOREFRONT RENOVATIONS PROGRAM, THE
18 RENOVATE PROGRAM. WE CREATED \$20,000,000 SET ASIDE GRANT
19 PROGRAM FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC.
20 THAT'S JUST WHAT I COULD REMEMBER OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD IN
21 THE LAST 10 MINUTES. THE POINT IS, I RARELY REMEMBER THE
22 BUSINESS ASSOCIATION SHOWING UP TO ADVOCATE WHEN WE BROUGHT
23 THOSE MOTIONS FORWARD. SO AGAIN I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF
24 THESE TWO MOTIONS. I THINK THEY ARE FAIR AND BALANCED AND
25 PROTECT WORKERS AND SUPPORT BUSINESSES THAT DO RIGHT BY THEIR



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SUPERVISORS

1 EMPLOYEES. I ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO JOIN YOU IN
4 THANKING THE INDIVIDUALS THAT CAME OUT AND TESTIFIED AND GAVE
5 THEIR STORIES AND SHARED THOSE STORIES BECAUSE THIS IS
6 SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR DECADES. AND I REMEMBER
7 VERY DISTINCTLY THE CAR WASH INCIDENT, EVEN AS A STATE
8 LEGISLATOR AND ALSO AS A CONGRESSWOMAN HEARING ABOUT THE
9 ABUSES AND THE FACT THAT AT THAT TIME WE WERE ABLE, I THINK
10 THROUGH A DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATION, TO ACTUALLY GO AFTER WAGE
11 THEFT. AND THERE WERE CONSEQUENCES AND PENALTIES. SO THOSE ARE
12 THINGS THAT WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT, BECAUSE WHILE WE HAVE
13 MAYBE AN ADMINISTRATION BACK EAST THAT DOESN'T AGREE WITH
14 THIS, WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION HERE TO DO MORE. AND WE JUST HEARD
15 THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE HERE AT THEIR DIFFERENT RESPECTIVE
16 WORKER CENTERS THAT WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS DISCUSSION AND
17 BE THE STAKEHOLDERS AND HELP TO GUIDE US. SO I THINK THAT'S A
18 REAL BIG OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO EXPAND THIS EFFORT AND THEN TO
19 MAKE SURE THAT WE DO INCENTIVIZE BUYING LOCAL BUT MAKE IT
20 LOCAL AND ACTUALLY ASKING OUR DEPARTMENTS TO DO THE SAME THING
21 BECAUSE MANY TIMES OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS WILL PURCHASE ITEMS TO
22 GIVE OUT I CALL IT CHUM AND JUST LOOK AT THE LABEL WHERE WAS
23 IT MADE AND MAYBE WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF FIGURING OUT
24 HOW WE CAN EMPOWER OUR OWN ECONOMIC ENTREPRENEURS THAT CAN
25 ALSO STEP IN AND START TO GROW THAT ECONOMY HERE. THAT'S JUST



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1 SOMETHING THAT I THINK IS VERY EASY AND SIMPLE FOR US TO LOOK
2 AT. AGAIN, THANK YOU AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND TO
3 EVERYONE WHO CAME AND TESTIFIED AND THOSE THAT ALSO WERE ON
4 THE PHONE. SO WITH THAT.

5

6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 25 IS BEFORE
7 YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. THIS IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
10 MITCHELL. I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

14

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

16

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

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

21

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

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.



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1

2 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. ITEM 25,
3 MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY. NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD TO
4 AGENDA ITEM 26.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** 26 IS BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, MOVE BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
11 SECONDED BY MYSELF, SOLIS. CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

14

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

16

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

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

21

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

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.



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1

2 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. ITEM 26
3 PASSES UNANIMOUSLY. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO SET MATTER 1,
4 REPORT ON THE PLAN DEVELOPED TO SUPPORT REPRESENTED LOS
5 ANGELES HOUSING SERVICES AUTHORITY WORKERS, WHICH WAS HELD
6 FORWARD REPORT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY
7 TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF
8 YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. JERAMY GRAY,
9 ACTING CHIEF DEPUTY, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, RODNEY COLLINS,
10 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR, AND JOHAN JULIN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR,
11 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION. FOR
12 THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE SAY YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR
13 THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. LET US START WITH OUR
16 ACTING CEO, JEREMY, YOU WANT TO OPEN?

17

18 **JERAMY GRAY:** THANK YOU SUPERVISOR. I JUST WANTED TO START THIS
19 MORNING'S DISCUSSION ACKNOWLEDGING THAT LAYOFF NOTICES WERE
20 SENT TO A GROUP OF EMPLOYEES WITHIN LAHSA. AND I WANT TO START
21 TODAY'S DISCUSSION FIRST OFF BY ACKNOWLEDGING THAT PROCESS AND
22 NO DOUBT THE FEELING OF DESPAIR THAT THESE EMPLOYEES MUST BE
23 FEELING AT THE TIME. IT IS NOT LOST UPON ME THAT ALMOST THREE
24 DECADES AGO, I EXPERIENCED A SIMILAR SITUATION WHILE WORKING
25 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES DURING THE FINANCIAL



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1 CRISIS BEFORE WE RECEIVED THE 1,115 WAIVER DOLLARS MANY OF THE
2 WORKFORCE AT THAT TIME WERE AT RISK OF LOSING JOBS AND I WILL
3 I WILL TELL YOU I STILL REMEMBER THE FEELING OF DESPAIR AT THE
4 MOMENT RECEIVING THAT LAYOFF NOTICE. AND IT IS NOT LOST ON ME
5 THAT NOW, ALMOST THREE DECADES LATER, THOUGH SMALLER IN SCOPE,
6 I AM NOW HERE IN FRONT OF YOUR BOARD DISCUSSING A SIMILAR
7 ISSUE AND I AM SENSITIVE TO THAT. I WANT OUR LABOR PARTNERS TO
8 UNDERSTAND THAT I THINK YOUR BOARD HAS INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS
9 MYSELF AND MEMBERS OF MY TEAM AND MEMBERS OF DHR THAT HAVE THE
10 LIVED EXPERIENCE AND UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY OF THE MOMENT AND
11 THE UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WE ARE IN. AND WE ARE PROCEEDING
12 ACCORDINGLY. SO I WANTED TO TAKE JUST A FEW MINUTES TO OPEN
13 WITH THOSE REMARKS AND JUST LET OUR LABOR PARTNERS KNOW THAT
14 WE ARE HERE, WE UNDERSTAND, AND WE ARE WORKING AS FAST AS WE
15 CAN TO ADDRESS YOUR BOARD'S COMMITMENT OF FINDING PATHWAYS TO
16 COUNTY FUNDED, REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES. I WOULD START BY SAYING
17 IT'S GOING WELL. WE HAVE 74 JOB OFFERS THAT WE'VE EXTENDED. WE
18 HAVE 29 INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE ALREADY STARTED COUNTY
19 EMPLOYMENT. SO WE ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. ON APRIL
20 20TH, WE LEARNED VIA A PRESS RELEASE FROM LAHSA THAT 284
21 INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE RECEIVING LAYOFF NOTICES ON THE 30TH OF
22 APRIL. OF THAT 284, 216 WERE REPRESENTED. AND OF THE 216, 154
23 WE LEARNED AFTER RESEARCH WERE COUNTY FUNDED. THE GOOD NEWS
24 ABOUT THE SHIFTING LANDSCAPE IS THAT WE HAVE MORE VISIBILITY
25 NOW TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHO, IN FACT, ARE GOING TO BE



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1 IMPACTED. AND THAT GIVES US MORE INFORMATION, QUITE FRANKLY,
2 THAN WE HAD IN THE PAST. I AM GOING TO HAND IT OFF TO MY
3 COLLEAGUES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES THAT CAN
4 TALK MORE COMPREHENSIVELY ABOUT SOME OF WHAT WE'RE DOING TO
5 ADDRESS WHO WE KNOW NOW WILL BE THE IMPACTED POPULATION FROM
6 LAHSA. RODNEY.

7
8 **RODNEY COLLINS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. GOOD MORNING,
9 CHAIR. RODNEY COLLINS, THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.
10 SIMILAR TO WHAT YOU JUST HEARD FROM THE CEO'S OFFICE, DHR'S
11 COMMITMENT IS TO DO EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO HELP ALL OF THE
12 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THESE LAYOFFS. FIRST
13 AND FOREMOST, I'M GOING TO JUST GIVE YOU A COUPLE OF NUMBERS.
14 DON'T WANT TO GIVE TOO MANY NUMBERS, BUT WE'VE DONE SOME
15 ANALYSIS AND WE WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU AT LEAST WHAT WE KNOW
16 TODAY. FIRST, I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE WHOLE NUMBER. THE
17 PRESS RELEASE NUMBER THAT YOU JUST HEARD, WE BELIEVE IS
18 APPROXIMATELY 284, BUT WE ALSO FOUND ON THE LIST OF EMPLOYEES
19 THAT WILL BE IMPACTED OR POSITIONS THAT WILL BE IMPACTED, SOME
20 VACANT POSITIONS. SO THAT TAKES DOWN THE NUMBER A LITTLE BIT.
21 IN ADDITION, WE'VE ALSO IDENTIFIED THAT SOME OF THE
22 INDIVIDUALS ON THE LAYOFF LIST ACTUALLY ARE IN QUEUE WITH
23 OFFERS IN HAND FROM THE COUNTY AND WILL BE HIRED EITHER THIS
24 MONTH, WILL BE STARTING, EXCUSE ME, THEIR JOBS, IF THEY ACCEPT
25 THEM, THIS MONTH OR NEXT MONTH. IN TOTAL, WE HAVE 154 COUNTY-



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1 FUNDED JOBS THAT ARE ON THE LIST RIGHT NOW. AND OUR TRACKING
2 INDICATES THAT IN ADDITION TO THOSE, THERE WOULD BE 55
3 POSITIONS THAT THE COUNTY DOES NOT FUND. AND WE ARE LOOKING
4 CLOSELY AT THOSE INDIVIDUALS AS WELL. SO EVERYONE THAT COUNTY
5 FUNDED REPRESENTED THOSE POSITIONS THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN AND
6 THEY CONTINUE TO BE FOCUSED ON BY DHR. THE 55 POSITIONS WHERE
7 THERE IS NO COUNTY FUNDING AGAIN WE ARE LOOKING CLOSELY AT
8 THOSE POSITIONS TO DETERMINE AND PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH
9 OPTIONS AS TO WHAT WE CAN DO. I'LL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE OF A
10 CONVERSATION WE'VE HAD OF MANY IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS THAT
11 OUR TEAM BROUGHT TO US LAST NIGHT. WE KNOW THAT OUR OUTREACH
12 WORKERS, THE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE AND HAVE
13 LIVED EXPERIENCE AND ARE ACTUALLY ON THE STREET TALKING AND
14 WORKING WITH OUR HOMELESS POPULATION, WE'VE IDENTIFIED
15 APPROXIMATELY 18 INDIVIDUALS, 17-18 INDIVIDUALS ON THE LIST
16 THAT WE ARE GOING TO WORK VERY HARD TO SEE IF WE CAN IDENTIFY
17 ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO ASSIST THOSE INDIVIDUALS.

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, IS THAT FROM THE 55?

20
21 **RODNEY COLLINS:** THAT IS FROM THE 55 BECAUSE THEIR FUNDING IS
22 COMING FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
23 THROUGH HUD, AS WELL AS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SO THEIR
24 FUNDING IS FROM ANOTHER SOURCE, BUT WE'RE GOING TO DO
25 EVERYTHING WE CAN TO LOOK AT OPTIONS FOR THEM. NOW, WHAT THIS



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1 REPRESENTS, AND AT LEAST WHAT WE'RE SEEING, THE NUMBERS ARE
2 MOVING, AND THE NUMBERS WILL CONTINUE TO MOVE. THAT'S THE
3 LAYOFF PROCESS. I UNDERSTAND THAT SOME OF THE WAY THAT LAHSA
4 IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS FOR LAYOFF IS BY SENIORITY. AND AS THE
5 COUNTY HAS EXPERIENCED, AS JEREMY HAS MENTIONED, THERE IS AN
6 APPEALS PROCESS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE WHERE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE
7 GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY, YOU KNOW, THAT SENIORITY DATE
8 THAT YOU HAVE FOR ME IS WRONG, AND THAT I ACTUALLY SHOULD BE
9 PLACED DIFFERENTLY BASED UPON MY SENIORITY DATE. AND SO WHAT
10 WE ANTICIPATE IS THAT INDIVIDUALS WILL MOVE IN AND OUT.
11 NEVERTHELESS, THE NUMBERS SHOULD STAY PRETTY CONSISTENT.
12 THERE'S ANOTHER INSTANCE WITH THE NUMBERS THAT WE'VE
13 IDENTIFIED, AND THAT IS BECAUSE OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE'VE
14 HIRED, WE ANTICIPATE THAT SOME OF THOSE NUMBERS WERE NOT TAKEN
15 INTO CONSIDERATION. AND THAT IS BECAUSE SOME OF THE
16 INDIVIDUALS MAY NOT HAVE GIVEN NOTICE THAT THEY INTEND ON
17 LEAVING LAHSA TO COME TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WHAT
18 THAT'S GOING TO MEAN IS THAT SOME ROOM WILL BE MADE OVER AT
19 LAHSA IF THOSE INDIVIDUALS COME TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
20 TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS ON THE LIST TO NOW MOVE INTO JOBS THAT
21 ARE LEFT VACANT AT LAHSA. MOST IMPORTANTLY, DHR IS WORKING IN
22 ANY NUMBER OF WAYS TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF WHICH
23 SIDE OF THE LIST THEY FIND THEMSELVES ON. NUMBER 1, OUR
24 CONCIERGE PROGRAM. OUR CONCIERGE PROGRAM IS APPROXIMATELY 220
25 INDIVIDUALS RIGHT NOW WHO HAVE ASKED FOR HELP. WE'RE GOING TO



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1 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS. IN ADDITION, WE HAD A
2 CONVERSATION WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES. I
3 WANT TO THANK KELLY LOBIANCO FOR OFFERING HER ASSISTANCE. AND
4 THE ASSISTANCE THAT THEY'LL BE ABLE TO PROVIDE INCLUDES
5 UTILIZING THE AMERICAN JOB CENTERS. THEY HAVE A RAPID RESPONSE
6 SERVICES PORTION OF WHAT THEY DO, AS WELL AS PAID TRANSITIONAL
7 WORK, SUPPORT SERVICES, AND HIRING EVENTS THAT WE WILL
8 SPONSOR, WHERE THEY WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO BRING PRIVATE SECTOR
9 EMPLOYERS TO THE TABLE TO ASSIST WITH HIRING INDIVIDUALS WHO
10 ARE IMPACTED, REGARDLESS OF COUNTY FUNDING OR NOT. NOW, I WANT
11 TO PASS IT TO JOHAN, DR. YULIN, TO TALK ABOUT WHAT ARE WE, THE
12 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND DHR SPECIFICALLY DOING TO HELP HIRE
13 INDIVIDUALS. DR. JULIN.

14
15 **JOHAN JULIN:** THANKS VERY MUCH, RODNEY. THANKS VERY MUCH FOR
16 HAVING US SUPERVISORS. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS DISCUSS. OUR,
17 TO TRY TO GET THE REST OF THESE LAHSA FOLKS INTO COUNTY
18 EMPLOYMENT. SO FAR WE'VE HAD THREE HIRING EVENTS THAT HAVE
19 SPECIFICALLY TARGETED COUNTY-FUNDED REPRESENTED LAHSA
20 EMPLOYEES. THE FIRST OF THESE WAS ON APRIL 16TH WITH 13
21 DEPARTMENTS AND WE GOT 283 ATTENDEES THERE WHICH IS REALLY,
22 REALLY FANTASTIC. ABOUT A WEEK LATER, ON APRIL 23RD, WE HAD
23 THREE DEPARTMENTS AT THAT ONE WITH 95 ATTENDEES. BOTH OF THOSE
24 EVENTS WERE VIRTUAL. MOST RECENTLY, WE DID HAVE AN IN-PERSON
25 EVENT LAST MONDAY, WHICH IS APRIL 27TH. SEVEN DEPARTMENTS



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1 ATTENDED THAT ONE AND WE HAD 70 LAHSA STAFFERS ATTEND.
2 OBVIOUSLY, THESE EVENTS DON'T DO US ANY GOOD UNLESS WE ALSO
3 HAVE OPEN RECRUITMENTS WHERE WE'RE ACTIVELY SOLICITING LAHSA
4 FOLKS TO APPLY. SO TO THAT END, WHAT WE'VE DONE IS OPENED
5 QUITE A FEW RECRUITMENTS THAT SPECIFICALLY TARGET THAT
6 POPULATION. AND I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION FOR THE
7 SEVEN DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE STEPPED UP TO REALLY GET THOSE
8 RECRUITMENTS UP AND RUNNING. AND I'LL BRIEFLY MENTION WHICH
9 ONES THOSE ARE. IT'S CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, INTERNAL
10 SERVICES, HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC WORKS, JCOD, HSH, AND OF
11 COURSE, US AT DHR. SO ACROSS THOSE SEVEN DEPARTMENTS, WE'VE
12 NOW OPENED A TOTAL OF 46 DIFFERENT RECRUITMENTS IN THE LAST
13 FEW WEEKS, AND THAT IS REALLY, I WANT TO SAY THAT THAT HAS
14 REALLY QUITE A PHENOMENAL NUMBER. SO TO THAT END ALSO THOUGH,
15 WE'VE ALSO GOT ANOTHER HIRING EVENT COMING UP AT THE END OF
16 NEXT WEEK ON MAY 15TH. THAT'LL BE ANOTHER IN-PERSON EVENT THAT
17 WE'RE HOSTING. WE'VE GOT ABOUT 80, BETWEEN 80 AND 90, COUNTY
18 FUNDED PEOPLE WHO DON'T YET HAVE JOB OFFERS. SO WE'RE REALLY
19 WORKING WITH SOME COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, 10 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS IN
20 PARTICULAR, ON OPENING A WIDE VARIETY OF RECRUITMENTS TO FIT
21 THE SKILLED PROFILES OF THOSE FOLKS WHO DON'T YET HAVE AN
22 OFFER. I DID WANT TO MENTION THAT ALTHOUGH WE DO HAVE A LOT OF
23 OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE COOKING RIGHT AT THE MOMENT, THEY'RE
24 VERY WELL, AND I WANT TO BE REAL HERE, THAT THERE WILL BE SOME
25 FOLKS THAT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO ASSIST. WE SAW THIS IN OUR



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1 COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER RECRUITMENTS AND THAT DESPITE OUR BEST
2 EFFORTS, SOME OF THE FOLKS DID NOT APPLY. THEY DID NOT ATTEND
3 OUR HIRING EVENTS. AND BEYOND THAT, THERE WAS A FEW THAT THE
4 DEPARTMENTS WERE LESS INTERESTED IN HIRING FOR A NUMBER OF
5 REASONS. SO FOR EXAMPLE, THE HIRING GEOGRAPHY WASN'T DIDN'T
6 WORK FOR THE CANDIDATE OR THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE RIGHT SKILL SET
7 AMONG OTHER REASONS. BUT THE SILVER LINING IN ALL OF THIS IS
8 THAT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE MADE A TOTAL OF 147 HIRING
9 COMMITMENTS FOR LAHSA STAFF. SO WHEN YOU BUMP THAT UP AGAINST
10 THE ROUGHLY 80 OR SO FOLKS THAT DON'T YET HAVE JOB OFFERS, I'M
11 OPTIMISTIC THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO FIND A COUNTY HOME FOR A
12 GOOD NUMBER OF THOSE FOLKS. I'D LIKE TO NOTE THAT IT'S
13 IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE MORE COMMITMENTS THAN WE DO REMAINING
14 LAHSA STAFFERS WHO ARE LOOKING FOR JOBS. AND THAT'S AN
15 IMPORTANT THING THAT WE HAVE IN OUR BACK POCKET TO ENSURE THAT
16 WE MAXIMIZE THE NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE
17 KNOWING THAT NOT EVERYONE IS GOING TO FIT INTO EACH OF THE
18 JOBS THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE. SO TO THAT END, I THINK WE'RE
19 FORTUNATE THAT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE STEPPED UP TO MAKE
20 SOME OF THESE COMMITMENTS TO HIRE LAHSA STAFFERS. FINALLY, I
21 WANTED TO EMPHASIZE THAT AS WE GET CLOSER AND CLOSER TO THAT
22 JUNE 30TH CUTOFF DATE AND EVEN BEYOND THAT DATE, AS RODNEY
23 MENTIONED, WE WILL CONTINUE TO HELP LAHSA STAFF IDENTIFY
24 OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK AT THE COUNTY AND POSSIBLY EVEN JOBS
25 BEYOND THE COUNTY AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. THERE ARE EVEN,



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1 THERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES OF THIS ALREADY. WE ARE, INTERNALLY
2 WE ARE SENDING OUT RESOURCE INFORMATION TO ALL LAHSA STAFF
3 MEMBERS COMING UP WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK OR SO, WHICH WILL
4 PROVIDE A LOT OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES
5 THAT WE HAVE INTERNALLY. SEPARATELY, I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT
6 DEO HAS RECENTLY STEPPED UP TO OFFER THEIR ASSISTANCE IN
7 PLACING LAHSA STAFFERS AS WELL. SO WE'RE REALLY DOING ALL WE
8 CAN. WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO PULL OUT ALL THE STOPS HERE TO TRY
9 TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE ENDS UP HAVING A PLACE TO LAND.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WANTED TO ASK, CAN YOU
12 GO BACK AGAIN AND TELL ME OF THE NUMBER THAT YOU CITED, 284,
13 HOW MANY HAVE ACTUALLY GOT HIRED?

14

15 **JOHAN JULIN:** I'M SORRY, WHAT WAS THAT?

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OF THE NUMBER 284, HOW MANY HAVE
18 ACTUALLY BEEN, NOT, YOU KNOW, THAT ARE ON BOARD, THEY'VE BEEN
19 HIRED.

20

21 **JOHAN JULIN:** SO 29 PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY STARTED. OF THE 284.
22 RIGHT, SO 29 PEOPLE HAVE ACTUALLY STARTED AND ARE IN THE JOB
23 TODAY.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT.



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2 **JOHAN JULIN:** AND I BELIEVE 43 ADDITIONAL HAVE RECEIVED
3 CONTINGENT JOB OFFERS. SO WHEN YOU ADD THAT UP, THAT COMES TO
4 72.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO THAT'S WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE, THAT'S
7 THE DELTA.

8

9 **RODNEY COLLINS:** SUPERVISOR, YEAH, LET ME, I CAUGHT THAT. LET
10 ME FOCUS IN ON THE 281 THAT ARE ON THE LAYOFF LIST TODAY. AND
11 I THINK WHAT I WILL POINT TO THAT THAT RESPONSE TELLS YOU IS
12 WHEN WE STARTED THIS WORK, WE HAD A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THAT
13 WERE NOT AT RISK OF LAYOFF THAT WE ENDED UP HIRING. SO THAT'S
14 SOME OF THE NUMBERS THAT YOU JUST HEARD, BUT IT'S GOING TO
15 OPEN UP SPACE. TO YOUR QUESTION, WE HAVE ACTUALLY, ONE PERSON
16 STARTED YESTERDAY, AND 26 INDIVIDUALS HAVE CONTINGENT OFFERS
17 WITH A JOB AND ESSENTIALLY HAVE BEEN MADE OFFERS AND THEY'RE
18 GOING THROUGH THE BACKGROUND PROCESS. FOR A TOTAL OF 27, WE
19 HAD ONE PERSON WHO HAS MADE AN OFFER THAT'S ON THE LAYOFF LIST
20 WHO DECLINED OUR OFFER. AND SO THAT'S A TOTAL OF 28
21 INDIVIDUALS.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY I JUST WANT TO ASK A FEW
24 QUESTIONS. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE FOLKS IN THE AUDIENCE AND WE'VE
25 BEEN CONTACTED ALSO BY SEIU 721 ABOUT HOW THIS PROCESS HAS



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1 BEEN CONDUCTED. AND I KNOW THERE IS A LOT OF ANXIETY AND
2 STRAIN, AND PEOPLE ARE VERY, VERY NERVOUS ABOUT NOT HAVING ANY
3 EMPLOYMENT AND BENEFITS AFTER JUNE 30TH. SO ONE OF MY
4 QUESTIONS IS, AND MAYBE THIS IS FOR CEO, HAVE WE THOUGHT ABOUT
5 HOW WE COULD PROVIDE PROTECTIONS, COMMUNITY BENEFITS, I'M NOT
6 COMMUNITY BENEFITS, FRINGE BENEFITS, OR BENEFITS TO THESE
7 INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY NOT HAVE A JOB, BUT WILL BE ABLE TO
8 QUALIFY FOR CONTINUED USE OF THEIR BENEFITS, AT LEAST FOR THE
9 MONTH OF JULY. AND CAN WE EXTEND PERHAPS TO THESE EMPLOYEES
10 COVERAGE FOR JULY, STARTING, YOU KNOW, FOR JULY THE 1ST? AND
11 IS THAT SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY COULD DO? BECAUSE IF WE'RE
12 HAVING DIFFICULTY, IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE WAY, I MEAN, WE'RE,
13 IT'S JUST NOT GOING AS FAST AND QUICKLY. THE CLOCK IS TICKING
14 AND I FEEL VERY COMPELLED TO ASK IF WE HAVE RESOURCES TO OR
15 THE THOUGHT TO LOOK INTO THIS TO PROVIDE THAT KIND OF COVERAGE
16 FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS.

17
18 **JERAMY GRAY:** YEAH. SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. I
19 THINK FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE ARE PROVIDING GAP INSURANCE TO
20 THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL BE TRANSITIONING FROM LAHSA TO
21 COUNTY EMPLOYMENT. SO AS THEY TRANSITION FROM LASA, WHICH IS A
22 SEPARATE AGENCY AND THEY COME TO THE COUNTY, WE HAVE COMMITTED
23 TO PROVIDING GAP INSURANCE. I THINK AS IT RELATES TO
24 SPECIFICALLY YOUR QUESTION IN JULY, IT'S VERY EARLY FOR US TO
25 REALLY KNOW THE LANDSCAPE AT THAT TIME. I FEEL THAT THE



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1 CURRENT MOMENTUM WILL ALLOW US TO ADDRESS FINDING PATHWAYS TO
2 EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT YOUR BOARD COMMITTED
3 TO. I THINK ASSUMING OTHERWISE IS FAILURE AND WE'RE NOT GOING
4 TO DO THAT. I THINK IF WE'RE ASKING ABOUT INSURANCE OR
5 COVERAGE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE NOT COUNTY FUNDED, I
6 WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND RESEARCH THAT BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT
7 I SEE A PATH TO ADDRESSING THAT FOR VARIOUS REASONS BUT I
8 WOULD HAVE TO CONFER WITH EXPERTS FROM MY OFFICE AND MAYBE
9 COUNTY COUNSEL .

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND PERHAPS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
12 BECAUSE SOME OF THOSE EMPLOYEES ARE PAID BY THEM. THAT'S
13 CORRECT. BUT IS THAT, I MEAN, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO INQUIRE IS,
14 IS THAT A POSSIBILITY? I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT HAPPEN. AND
15 BECAUSE I JUST FEEL LIKE, LOOK AT, I FEEL LIKE, YOU KNOW, THE
16 TIME, THE CLOCK IS RUNNING OUT AND THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE THAT
17 WE STILL HAVE TO SERVE AND YOU HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE
18 QUEUE IN THE CONCIERGE PROGRAM, 220, THAT ARE STILL GOING
19 THROUGH THAT. NO ONE KNOWS WHAT THAT OUTCOME IS GOING TO BE.
20 AND THAT'S A LARGE NUMBER. SO I'M JUST LOOKING AT WHAT KIND OF
21 FALLBACK PLAN DO WE HAVE TO HELP THESE EMPLOYEES THAT COULD
22 RECEIVE IF WE CAN WORK SOMETHING OUT WITH THE CITY
23 APPROPRIATELY AS WELL TO PROVIDE THAT ASSISTANCE SO AT LEAST
24 THAT THEY DON'T FALL OFF THE CLIFF AND THAT'S NOT WHAT WE WANT
25 RIGHT SO IS THAT SOMETHING THAT THE CEO THAT YOU CAN REPORT TO



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1 US BACK ON.

2

3 **JERAMY GRAY:** WE COULD SUPERVISOR. WE CONTINUE TO REACH OUT TO
4 L.A. CITY AND INQUIRE ABOUT THEIR OVERALL STRATEGY FOR
5 HOMELESSNESS. I THINK THERE ARE NUMEROUS CITY COUNCIL OFFICES
6 THAT ARE I BELIEVE CURRENTLY IN DELIBERATION ABOUT, HOW TO
7 MOVE FORWARD WITH THEIR PLANS AND I THINK THINGS ARE IN FLUX,
8 BUT WE WILL CONTINUE TO REACH OUT AND TRY TO GAIN A LEVEL OF
9 CLARITY TO UNDERSTAND THEIR PLANS BECAUSE, TO YOUR POINT, THAT
10 RELATES DIRECTLY TO THE ISSUE THAT I THINK YOU'RE REFERRING
11 TO. SO THE MORE CLARITY THAT WE HAVE AROUND THEIR PLAN AND
12 THEIR FUNDING STRATEGY AS IT RELATES TO LAHSA, I THINK WE WILL
13 HAVE A MORE COMPREHENSIVE PICTURE ON WHERE THE OTHER NON-
14 COUNTY FUNDED EMPLOYEES WILL GO. SO THERE'S ACTUALLY TWO
15 CATEGORIES, BECAUSE ONE IS THOSE THAT ARE NOT PAID BY THE
16 COUNTY AND THEN THOSE THAT ARE WITH THE COUNTY BUT HAVEN'T
17 ACCEPTED ANYTHING YET. I MEAN THERE'S BEEN NO PLACEMENT FOR
18 THEM AND THAT'S THE LARGE NUMBER THAT REMAINS. SO I THINK
19 THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE EQUALLY CONCERNED THAT THEIR BENEFITS
20 ARE GOING TO LAPSE AFTER JUNE 30TH. AND CAN YOU TELL US IF
21 THAT IS THE CASE?

22

23 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, I HAVE A HIGH LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE
24 THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO ADDRESS ALL OF THE COUNTY-FUNDED
25 POSITIONS AT LAHSA CURRENTLY SEEKING A PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT



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1 WITH THE COUNTY OF L.A. IT IS MOVING PROBABLY NOT AS QUICKLY
2 AS ANY OF US WOULD PREFER, BUT IT'S MOVING AT A PACE THAT I
3 CAN SEE THAT WE WILL MEET THE MARK BY JULY. AND AGAIN, LET ME
4 REITERATE THAT THOSE --

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THAT A GUARANTEE?

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8 **JERAMY GRAY:** YES, IT IS.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** A GUARANTEE?

11

12 **JERAMY GRAY:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT'S GOOD.

15

16 **RODNEY COLLINS:** IF I COULD JUST, IT IS A GUARANTEE IF THESE
17 EMPLOYEES ALSO HELP US, RIGHT? AGAIN, I'M JUST GOING TO
18 REITERATE, WE HAVE EIGHT EMPLOYEES, WE HAVE JOBS WAITING FOR
19 SOME OF THE OUTREACH WORKERS, THEY HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT, AS
20 MANY TIMES AS WE'VE CALLED SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS. SO I JUST
21 WANTED TO PUT A LITTLE PIN IN THAT, THAT WE CONTINUE TO REACH
22 OUT AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO, BUT WE ALSO NEED EMPLOYEES
23 TO HELP US. THERE IS ONE ADDITIONAL THING THAT WAS NOT
24 MENTIONED TO YOUR QUESTION, CHAIR SOLIS. WE ARE GOING TO
25 CHANGE SOME OF OUR WAYS OF OPERATING TO ADDRESS EXACTLY WHAT



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1 YOU JUST MENTIONED RELATED TO BENEFITS. IN ORDER TO GIVE THE
2 NEW EMPLOYEES AN OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN UP WITH THE UNION FOR
3 THEIR BENEFITS HERE ON THE COUNTY SIDE. OUR RULE WAS LET'S
4 BRING PEOPLE IN EARLY IN THE MONTH AND WE COULD MAXIMIZE THE
5 INSURANCE THAT THEY ALREADY HAD WITH LAHSA. AND WE TRIED TO
6 BRING PEOPLE IN BY THE 10TH OF EVERY MONTH. AND SO WHAT WE'RE
7 GOING TO DO IN JUNE IS THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO BRING PEOPLE
8 IN NO MATTER WHAT. AND SO THAT RULE OF BRINGING PEOPLE IN IN
9 THE FIRST 10 DAYS, WE WILL BE BRINGING PEOPLE IN THROUGH THE
10 ENTIRE MONTH AND THEN WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNION TO
11 HAVE A PROCESS BY WHICH THEY SIGN UP PEOPLE IMMEDIATELY SO
12 THAT THERE'S ONLY A ONE-MONTH GAP THAT WE, THE COUNTY, WILL
13 TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR, WHICH WE'VE ALREADY COMMITTED.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I KNOW THAT THERE ARE FOLKS
16 THAT ARE GOING TO SPEAK TO US LATER ON THEIR CONCERNS, BUT
17 I'LL MOVE ON TO MY OTHER MEMBERS, MY COLLEAGUES, AND I HAVE
18 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IN THE QUEUE.

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND
21 IN OUR DESIRE AS A COUNTY BOARD TO BE TRANSPARENT, THEY ASK
22 FOR TRANSPARENCY OF OTHERS, WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO DO THE
23 SAME. AND, YOU KNOW, WHATEVER THE CITY DOES, WE HAVE TO OWN
24 AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU KNOW, THE COUNTY WAS, AS I UNDERSTOOD
25 IT, ABOUT 44 OR 45% OF THEIR OVERALL BUDGET. SO WHEN WE PULL



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1 THAT MONEY OUT, SEPARATE FROM THE DIRECT COUNTY EMPLOYEES,
2 IT'S GOING TO HAVE A DESTABILIZING IMPACT ON THE OVERALL
3 ORGANIZATION. SO WE JUST HAVE TO OWN THAT BECAUSE THAT WAS THE
4 ACTION THE BOARD TOOK. IS THERE A WAY, AND I HEAR YOU, THAT
5 WE'VE GOT JOBS AND THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVEN'T APPLIED AND SO
6 APPLY PEOPLE, BUT CAN THE INVITATION TO THE HIRING FAIRS BE
7 EXTENDED TO ALL LAHSA EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE LAYOFF
8 NOTICES? IS THERE A REASON WHY WE LIMIT THAT INVITATION TO
9 JUST THE 200 AND SOME ODD FULL-TIME COUNTY FUNDED AND
10 REPRESENTED STAFF?

11
12 **JOHAN JULIN:** OUR FIRST PRIORITY IS THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE COUNTY-
13 FUNDED, OF COURSE. AS THOSE POSITIONS START TO GET FILLED AND
14 AS OUR COMMITMENT TO THOSE FOLKS STARTS TO BECOME FULFILLED,
15 THEN WE WOULD REACH OUT TO THE FOLKS WHO ARE NOT NECESSARILY
16 COUNTY FUNDED. SO I WOULD SAY THAT THAT IS A SECOND PRIORITY,
17 BUT THEY WOULD BECOME A MORE OF A PRIORITY AS WE START TO MAKE
18 OUR WAY THROUGH THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE COUNTY FUNDED. AND THEN I
19 WOULD ADD A THIRD PRIORITY, IF YOU WILL, WHICH ARE FOLKS WHO
20 ARE NOT REPRESENTED ALSO. SO EVENTUALLY WE MIGHT GET TO THOSE
21 FOLKS AS WELL. SO, BUT THE IDEA IS TO HAVE THIS KIND OF A
22 LITTLE BIT OF A TIERED SYSTEM SO THAT WE'RE PRIORITIZING FOLKS
23 WHO ARE REPRESENTED AND COUNTY FUNDED FIRST.

24
25 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, LET ME ADD THAT I AM SENSITIVE TO



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1 THAT DYNAMIC THAT ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE OPTICS TO INFER THAT BY
2 US FOCUSING ON ONE TARGETED GROUP THAT IT MAY BE INFERRED OR
3 ASSUMED THAT THE COUNTY IS NOT CONCERNED ABOUT OTHER GROUPS OF
4 EMPLOYEES WITHIN LAHSA, AND I'M VERY SENSITIVE TO THAT. AS
5 JOHAN STATED, WHILE THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY FOR US IS TO
6 FOLLOW THROUGH ON THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO BRING ON THOSE
7 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE REPRESENTED AND COUNTY FUNDED. I WILL BE
8 THE FIRST TO RECOMMEND TO OUR INTERIM CEO TO COME BACK TO YOUR
9 BOARD AT SUCH TIME THAT WE COMPLETE THAT COMMITMENT AND WE SEE
10 THAT THERE ARE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ON THE TABLE AND A WINDOW
11 OF OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THAT COMMITMENT. AND I
12 JUST WANT TO ASSURE THE BOARD OF THAT.

13
14 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I WASN'T
15 INFERRING A LACK OF SENSITIVITY. I APPRECIATE YOUR OPENING
16 REMARKS BECAUSE ANYBODY WHO'S RECEIVED THAT KIND OF NOTICE
17 NEVER FORGETS THAT DAY. AND HAVING BEEN AN EMPLOYER, HAVING TO
18 ISSUE THOSE KIND OF NOTICES, I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT DAY
19 EITHER. AND SO I GET IT. I ABSOLUTELY DO. I JUST WANTED TO
20 REALLY UNDERSTAND. AND I THINK THOSE WARN ACT NOTICE EMPLOYEES
21 NEED TO ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT WHILE THE HIRING FAIRS ARE, ONE
22 WAY IN WHICH WE RECRUIT, THEY SHOULD NOT SIMPLY BE WAITING FOR
23 AN INVITATION TO A HIRING FAIR, THERE'S OTHER WAYS IN WHICH
24 PEOPLE EVERYDAY SEARCH FOR JOBS AVAILABLE WITHIN THE COUNTY.
25 AND SO I HOPE THAT THEY WOULD CONSIDER DOING THAT. I JUST, AS



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1 WE TALKED ABOUT WHAT THE CITY'S GOING TO DO, WE HAVE NO
2 CONTROL OVER THAT. ALL WE CAN CONTROL IS WHAT WE HAVE, THE
3 POWER, JUST LIKE THE CITY HAD NO CONTROL OVER THE ACTION WE
4 TOOK. AND SO THAT'S WHY I JUST THOUGHT IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT
5 THAT WE TALK ABOUT, THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE ROLE WE PLAYED IN
6 THIS KIND OF DESTABILIZED IT, THERE'S NO WAY IN A GOVERNMENT
7 AGENCY, A BUSINESS, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT YOU REMOVE
8 THAT SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF FUNDING FROM THE OVERALL
9 ORGANIZATION THAT YOU NOT EXPECT THAT IT HAVE IMPACT
10 ORGANIZATION WIDE, NOT JUST THE COUNTY YOU KNOW EMPLOYEES THAT
11 WE WERE FUNDING. THAT'S JUST THAT WOULD THAT WOULD BE NAIVE AT
12 BEST TO ASSUME OTHERWISE. SO I JUST THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT
13 TO SAY AGAIN WE HAVE NO CONTROL OVER WHAT THE CITY WILL DO. SO
14 I APPRECIATE HEARING ABOUT THE STAGE PROCESS, APPRECIATE YOU
15 ONCE AGAIN TELLING PEOPLE WE'VE GOT THE POSITIONS, PLEASE
16 COME. I GUESS, OR IF NOT, IF PEOPLE ARE CHOOSING NOT TO APPLY,
17 THEN WE NEED TO KNOW THAT TOO, BECAUSE THEN THAT COULD THEN
18 PERHAPS EXPEDITE THE MOVE TO THE BROADER POOL OR WHATEVER THE
19 CASE IS. I MEAN, I'M NOT SURE WHY PEOPLE WOULDN'T BE APPLIED
20 UNLESS THEY HAVE ANOTHER PLAN AND DON'T WANT TO COME WORK FOR
21 L.A. COUNTY. SO EVEN IF THEY WERE TO RESPOND IN SOME WAY
22 THROUGH AN APPLICATION OR LETTING US KNOW, AM I OFF BASE
23 THERE? WOULD THAT NOT BE HELPFUL TO YOU?

24
25 **JOHAN JULIN:** THAT'S ABSOLUTELY HELPFUL. AND WE ABSOLUTELY WILL



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1 PLAN ON DOING THAT. AND THAT OPENS UP ADDITIONAL
2 OPPORTUNITIES.

3

4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** RIGHT, RIGHT. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU,
5 MADAM CHAIR, APPRECIATE IT.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, THANK
8 YOU.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST HAVE
11 TWO QUESTIONS, WELL, THREE, I GUESS. I'LL START THERE. THERE'S
12 NOTHING THAT'S PREVENTING ANYONE FROM AT LAHSA OR ANYWHERE
13 FROM APPLYING TO WORK AT THE COUNTY CURRENTLY.

14

15 **JOHAN JULIN:** THAT'S RIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, SO IT IS STILL AN OPEN PROCESS.
18 I KNOW THAT THE SAME INVITATIONS THAT WERE SENT TO, OR
19 ACKNOWLEDGMENTS THAT WERE SENT TO COUNTY FUNDED POSITION
20 HOLDERS AT LAHSA AREN'T BEING SENT THROUGHOUT LAHSA OR
21 ANYWHERE ELSE, BUT PEOPLE CAN STILL APPLY?

22

23 **JOHAN JULIN:** YEAH, AND WE HAVE ANY TIME WE HAVE ANY KIND OF
24 OPEN RECRUITMENT, WE ARE FORWARDING THOSE RECRUITMENTS OVER TO
25 LAHSA AS WELL AS TO SEIU SO THEY'RE AWARE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES



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1 THAT ARE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, OUR OPEN COMPETITIVE
2 OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** MY SECOND QUESTION, I UNDERSTAND THAT
5 THE LAHSA LIST OF THE NAMES OF STAFF THAT WAS PROVIDED TO YOU
6 ALL HAS CHANGED RECENTLY, EVEN THOUGH WE'VE HAD MONTHS CLOSE
7 TO A YEAR OF MEETINGS. SO WHY IS THAT CHANGING? WHY DID THAT
8 CHANGE? WHAT'S GOING ON THERE?

9

10 **RODNEY COLLINS:** SUPERVISOR, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, LAHSA HAS
11 INDICATED THAT THEY'VE ADDED SOME EXECUTIVES ONTO THE LIST AS
12 BEST WE CAN. WE COULDN'T GET THE ADDITIONAL NAMES, SO WE DON'T
13 KNOW HOW MANY, AND WE DON'T KNOW THE POSITIONS. SO WHAT WE ALL
14 HAVE AND WHAT'S BEEN REPORTED IS CERTAINLY THE 281, 284
15 NUMBER, BUT WE UNDERSTAND IT'S CLOSER TO THREE AND IT MAY BE A
16 LITTLE BIT OVER THREE. WE'RE WAITING TO GET DETAILS FROM MORE
17 DETAILS FROM THEM.

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** IS THERE ANY INFORMATION THAT YOU
20 NEED NOW FROM LAHSA THAT YOU CAN'T GET THAT WOULD HELP YOU
21 SUPPORT COUNTY FUNDED LAHSA STAFF OR ANYONE WHO'S
22 TRANSITIONING INTO THESE COUNTY POSITIONS?

23

24 **RODNEY COLLINS:** I WON'T NECESSARILY SAY THAT WE CAN'T GET YET,
25 BUT WE MAY BE COMING BACK TO ANSWER THAT WITH THE WITH THE



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1 CAN'T. WHAT I DO THINK WE NEED FROM THEM IS THE APPEALS
2 PROCESS. THEY NEED TO WORK RIGHT NOW CLOSELY WITH THE UNION TO
3 ASSESS WHETHER OR NOT THEY GOT IT RIGHT. WE HAVE SEEN SOME
4 MISTAKES ON THE LIST. AND SO WHAT THEY NEED TO DO IS WE NEED
5 THEM TO ASSESS THE START DATES OF THOSE EMPLOYEES AND TO
6 ASSESS WHETHER OR NOT THE ACTUAL INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN
7 PLACED ON THE LAYOFF LIST ARE THE RIGHT INDIVIDUALS. BECAUSE
8 WE'RE DOING A ONE-BY-ONE LOOK AT THESE INDIVIDUALS, WE'RE
9 ACCEPTING RESUMES, WE'RE ANALYZING THOSE RESUMES, AND THEN
10 WE'RE OF COURSE DOING A MATCH UP WITH WHAT JOBS ARE RIGHT FOR
11 THAT PERSON. O WHEN THEY SWITCH SOMEONE OUT, IT MAY IMPACT THE
12 JOBS THAT WE'VE ALIGNED WITH ONE INDIVIDUAL'S PARTICULAR
13 SKILLSET.

14
15 **JERAMY GRAY:** SUPERVISOR, LET ME JUST ADD TO THAT AND JUST
16 CONVEY TO THIS BOARD MORE CANDIDLY THAT THE SINGLE AND LARGEST
17 RISK THAT I SEE IN THIS PROCESS IS GETTING TIMELY AND ACCURATE
18 INFORMATION FROM LAHSA. I CANNOT STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF
19 ACCURATE DATA THAT MY TEAM AND RODNEY'S TEAM NEEDS IN ORDER TO
20 FOLLOW THROUGH ON THIS BOARD'S COMMITMENT. I JUST WANTED TO
21 ADD THAT TO SUPPLEMENT RODNEY'S LAST RESPONSE BECAUSE I THINK
22 THAT IS A VERY IMPORTANT NOTE FOR THE RECORD.

23
24 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** YEAH, MY STAFF HAS BEEN FOLLOWING
25 THIS VERY CLOSELY. I KNOW THAT THERE ARE COUNTY-FUNDED



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1 POSITIONS, PEOPLE WHO HOLD COUNTY-FUNDED POSITIONS WHO DIDN'T
2 GET A NOTICE. I KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO GOT NOTICES WHO
3 ARE NOT IN COUNTY FUNDED POSITIONS, SOME POSITIONS THAT ARE
4 FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THAT FUNDING STILL
5 EXISTS. SO WHILE I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE COUNTY HAS REMOVED OUR
6 FUNDING FROM AN AGENCY THAT FAILS AUDITS AND HAS REAL TROUBLE
7 WITH FISCAL MANAGEMENT, THIS INSTABILITY ALREADY EXISTED AND
8 THE INSTABILITY IS IN THAT ORGANIZATION STILL, AND IT'S
9 CONTRIBUTING TO OUR INABILITY TO DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO AS A
10 COUNTY TO HELP SAFELY TRANSITION PEOPLE INTO POSITIONS THAT WE
11 ARE WORKING TO MAKE AVAILABLE. AND SO I SHARE THE FRUSTRATION
12 THAT I'M SURE WE'RE GOING TO HEAR BECAUSE WE ARE DOING ALL WE
13 CAN AS A COUNTY TO COME TOGETHER AND IDENTIFY THOSE POSITIONS.
14 AND WE NEED, THIS IS A JPA. THE COUNTY IS ONE PIECE OF IT.
15 LAHSA IS AN AGENCY, AND THE CITY IS ALSO A PART OF IT. AND SO
16 ALL OF US ARE LAHSA, AND ALL OF US HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER IN
17 THIS TRANSITION PROCESS. AND YES, THE COUNTY PULLED THAT
18 FUNDING BACK, SO WE ARE CREATING AND IDENTIFYING POSITIONS FOR
19 PEOPLE TO GO INTO, BUT WE ALSO NEED THAT AGENCY TO TELL US HOW
20 WE DO THAT WHILE THEY NEED TO, BECAUSE THEY NEED TO CONTINUE
21 TO DO WORK AS AN AGENCY THEMSELVES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OR
22 OTHER THINGS THAT THEY'RE DOING. AND NOT HAVING THAT
23 INFORMATION, I CAN APPRECIATE, IS INCREDIBLY FRUSTRATING. I
24 KNOW OUR TEAM HAS BEEN FRUSTRATED BY IT. WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO
25 HELP NAVIGATE THIS AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT YOU'RE



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1 DOING TO TRY AND MAKE SENSE OF IT.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS FROM
4 BOARD MEMBERS THEN EXECUTIVE OFFICE, LET'S GO TO PHONES AND IN
5 PERSON.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
8 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. HEATHER VARDEN, TIFFANY
9 DUVERNAY-SMITH, DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY, KINGSEY TERZIEV, AND
10 RICHARD BABINO. CALLER BIANCA JACKSON, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
11 PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **BIANCA JACKSON:** HELLO, MY NAME IS BIANCA JACKSON, AND I'M A
14 REPRESENTED LAHSA MEMBER. I'M ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT'S
15 BEEN AFFECTED BY THE LAYOFFS THAT'S GOING TO BE HAPPENING JUNE
16 30TH. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE, EVEN THOUGH WE APPRECIATE
17 THESE HIRING EVENTS, THERE ARE SEVERAL LAHSA WORKERS THAT
18 HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO INTERVIEW OR DO MEET AND GREETINGS WITH
19 CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE OF LACK OF ORGANIZATION. HIRING
20 EVENTS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED LAST MINUTE. MANY OF THE JOBS WE
21 APPLIED FOR HAVE NOT BEEN REPRESENTED AT THESE EVENTS. A LOT
22 OF US ARE HAVING SIGNIFICANT MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL BARRIERS AND
23 TOLLS WITH US BEING LAID OFF. AND SO IT PREVENTS US FROM
24 ADEQUATELY APPLYING FOR POSITIONS, GOING TO JOB FAIRS,
25 DIFFERENT THINGS LIKE THAT. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. RAYMOND AFSHAR, YOUR LINE IS
3 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

4

5 **RAYMOND AFSHAR:** NO, I'M GOING TO SHARE FRUSTRATION VERY QUICK
6 IN LACK OF CLARITY REGARDING THIS LIST THAT FUNNY, FUNNY,
7 NONSENSE FUNNY. I'M CURRENTLY LAHSA EMPLOYEE. I RECEIVED THAT
8 60 DAYS' NOTICE. I'M ON THREE POSITIONS ON BAND ONE, THREE
9 POSITIONS OF COUNTY JOBS ON BAND 1. BUT DHR CONCIERGE TOLD ME
10 THAT I'M NOT AMONGST THE COUNTY FUNDED POSITION. A WEBSITE OF
11 CEO FEASIBILITY SHOWS THAT I AM ON THE COUNTY FUNDED POSITION.
12 AND SO THERE IS A LACK OF CLARITY THAT IS REALLY PREVENT US
13 FROM GOING FORWARD AND UNDERSTANDING HOW THIS WORKS. I
14 APPRECIATE IF SOMEONE CAN BE CLEAR ON THOSE, YOU KNOW,
15 PARTICULARLY HOUSING LOCATION, ESPECIALLY ON CEO OFFICE ON THE
16 CEO WEBSITE, VISIBILITY FORM SAYS THAT IT IS DOWN THE PHONE.
17 THE HR CONSUMER SAID IT'S NOT. AND GENERALLY SOME CLARITY ON
18 HOW WE GO FORWARD WOULD BE APPRECIATED, THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323380,
21 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

22

23 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** LINDSAY, YOU DID THIS TO US. WHY ARE LINE
24 STAFF WHO ARE POWERLESS IN DECISION MAKING GETTING LAID OFF?
25 JOHAN AND RODNEY, TELL THE SUPERVISORS HOW MANY NON-OUTREACH



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1 STAFF HAVE BEEN OFFERED A JOB AT THE COUNTY. THE ANSWER IS
2 ZERO. WHY HAVEN'T YOU SHARED THAT NUMBER? JEREMY, WE DON'T
3 NEED YOUR SOB STORY. LAST TIME I CHECKED, YOU STILL HAVE A
4 JOB. THANK YOU.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JESSICA PONCE, YOUR LINE IS
7 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

8

9 **JESSICA PONCE:** JESSICA PONCE, I'M A REPRESENTATIVE LAHSA
10 EMPLOYEE WHO RECEIVED THE LAYOFF NOTICE. I NOW HAVE UNTIL THE
11 END OF JUNE TO FIND A JOB OR RISK HOMELESSNESS. I'VE BEEN
12 APPLYING FOR MONTHS IN A HORRIBLE JOB MARKET, 34 JOBS, 12
13 REJECTIONS. I'VE UTILIZED L.A. COUNTY'S CONCEIRGE SERVICE
14 TWICE, ATTENDED THE VIRTUAL JOB FAIRS AND IN-PERSON JOB FAIR.
15 I'VE APPLIED TO 10 COUNTY JOBS, SOME UNDER MY PAY RATE AND NO
16 RESPONSE. THE MEDIA HAS BEEN REPORTING THERE ARE 254
17 IDENTIFIED JOBS FOR LAHSA EMPLOYEES BUT IDENTIFIED IS NOT THE
18 SAME AS OFFERED. I'M ASKING THAT YOU DO THE RIGHT THING AND
19 SUPPORT A TIMELY AND FAIR TRANSITION INTO THE COUNTY. WE SHOW
20 UP EVERY DAY AND DO THE WORK IN THE SYSTEM THAT IS VERY FLAWED
21 AND WE ARE NOT TO BE BLAMED FOR ITS SHORTCOMINGS. WE DESERVE
22 BETTER THAN TO BE DISCARDED. THANK YOU.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. E. ABDELGANI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
25 PLEASE BEGIN.



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2 **E. ABDELGANI:** READING ON BEHALF OF LUKE RIVERA MARTINEZ, THE
3 SON OF A LAHSA EMPLOYEE WHO WAS YENNY RIVERA MARTINEZ. I'M A
4 12-YEAR-OLD SON OF LAHSA EMPLOYEE. MY MOTHER BECAME A PART OF
5 THE SYSTEM WHEN SHE ESCAPED MY FATHER'S VIOLENCE WITH A BABY
6 OF ONLY NINE MONTHS OLD. SHE HAD A DECADE LONG CAREER WITH
7 MARRIOTT, BUT LOST IT ALL TO SAVE MY LIFE. I'VE SEEN HER MAKE
8 IT HER LIFE MISSION TO HELP OTHER SURVIVORS AND FAMILIES IN
9 NEED SOMETIMES WORKING WEEKEND OR LONG NIGHTS. MY FATHER ENDED
10 UP BECOMING HOMELESS DUE TO HIS ADDICTION ONCE WE LEFT AND
11 SADLY HE LIVES IN THE STREETS OF CULVER CITY. THE ONLY
12 MEMORIES I MAKE WITH HIM ARE WHEN WE GO DROP OFF CLOTHES OR
13 BLANKETS BUT MY MOTHER HAS WORKED HARD SO THAT OTHERS WHO WANT
14 TO ESCAPE THAT LIFE HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF LEAVING IT,
15 PROBABLY IN HOPES MY FATHER WILL ONE DAY STOP BEING HOMELESS.
16 YET YOU'RE ABOUT TO FIRE HER OR LAY HER OFF. YOU CALL IT A
17 LAYOFF, BUT IT'S ESSENTIALLY FIRING HER. YOU ARE ABOUT TO PUT
18 US AT RISK OF BEING HOMELESS OURSELVES. WHAT KIND OF FOR THE
19 PEOPLE LEADERSHIP IS THIS AND HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO LOOK ON
20 YOU?

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 949748
23 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

24

25 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HELLO, I'M REQUESTING THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE ISSUE A FORMAL MEMO TO LAHSA OUTLINING
2 THE LAYOFF DECISION-MAKING LOGIC. BASED ON OUR CURRENT
3 UNDERSTANDING, THE PROCESS APPEARS TO FOLLOW THE UNION MOU,
4 SPECIFICALLY REVERSE SENIORITY. HOWEVER, EVEN OUR UNION
5 STEWARDS HAVE INDICATED THAT THE LOGIC AND ITS APPLICATION ARE
6 UNCLEAR. ADDITIONALLY, IF THERE IS CONFIDENCE THAT ALL
7 IMPACTED STAFF WILL SECURE PLACEMENT BY JULY 1ST, WE
8 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF A TRANSITION BUFFER.
9 EVEN UNDER OPTIMISTIC ASSUMPTIONS, A BUFFER WOULD PROVIDE A
10 NECESSARY SAFEGUARD FOR EMPLOYEES NAVIGATING THIS PROCESS AND
11 HELP ENSURE CONTINUITY AND STABILITY DURING THE TRANSITION. I
12 AM ADVOCATING ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO WOULD WISH TO PURSUE
13 COUNTY EMPLOYMENT?

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MITCHELL QUINTANILLA, YOUR LINE
16 IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **MITCHELL QUINTANILLA:** MITCHELL QUINTANILLA, AND I'VE BEEN THE
19 LAHSA EMPLOYEE FOR ALMOST A YEAR NOW. I WORKED IN THE PROVIDER
20 WORLD FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS AND IT IS A SAD TIME TO SEE MY
21 COLLEAGUES BEING DESTROYED BY THE SYSTEM THAT THEY WERE
22 HELPING CREATE CONTRIBUTING GETTING PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS. I
23 KNOW THERE WAS A PROMISE OF HAVING A REAL TRANSITION PLAN, BUT
24 I FEEL LIKE WE'VE BEEN UNDERCUT, UNDER FOLLOWED, AND JUST BEEN
25 SOLD SHORT OF THE THINGS THAT WORK THAT WE'VE DONE OVER THE



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1 COURSE OF OVER 10 YEARS, OVER 20 YEARS ACTUALLY. AND I FEEL
2 LIKE WE'RE JUST GOING TO GO IN A DEEP REVERSE IF WE CONTINUE
3 ON THIS TRAJECTORY. PLEASE, LET'S HAVE A REAL TRANSITION PLAN
4 AND LET'S VALUE THE WORKERS THAT ARE HERE THAT ARE ON THE
5 FRONT LINES GETTING THIS WORK DONE IN HELPING OUR CITIZENS OF
6 L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

7

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

12

13 **HEATHER VARDEN:** MY NAME IS HEATHER VARDEN. I'M A UNION STEWARD
14 AND A MEMBER OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. LAHSA WORKERS ARE BEING
15 PUSHED TOWARDS HOMELESSNESS WHILE DOING THE WORK TO END IT.
16 THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE. THE RUSH TIMELINE IS FAILING WORKERS.
17 THEY HAD MORE THAN A YEAR TO FIGURE THIS OUT AND TO DATE ONLY
18 29 PEOPLE HAVE ACTUALLY STARTED AT THE COUNTY. MOST OFFERS
19 STILL DO NOT HAVE START DATES. THE JOBS ARE TECHNICALLY OPEN,
20 BUT WE ARE COMPETING WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC. I SCORED 100% ON
21 THREE EXAMS AND I'M STILL COMPETING WITH 665 PEOPLE FOR ONE
22 POSITION. AND THESE IN-PERSON JOB FAIRS IN LOS ANGELES WITH
23 LITTLE TO NO NOTICE ARE WORTHLESS. THAT'S NOT PRIORITIZATION.
24 THAT'S A BROKEN PROMISE. REALLY PRIORITIZE UNION REPRESENTED
25 LAHSA WORKERS, THAT'S THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICE



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1 AUTHORITY. GET THE LIST FROM THE UNION, NOT LEADERSHIP. NO
2 GAPS IN PAY, NO GAPS IN BENEFITS, REAL START DATES, REAL
3 STABILITY, AND NO WORKERS LEFT BEHIND. THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **KINGSEY TERZIEV:** HI, MY NAME IS KINGSEY. CAMPBELL. MY LEGAL
8 NAME IS KINGSEY TERZIEV. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF A
9 CITIZEN HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO IS STAYING IN A SHELTER
10 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WAITING ON HOUSING AND PAYING \$750 AT A
11 FREE HOMELESS SHELTER. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY FREE HOMELESS
12 SHELTERS ARE CHARGING \$750 FOR HOUSING TO SHARE ROOMS WITH 3
13 OTHER PEOPLE AND IT JUST SEEMS UNFAIR THAT IN ORDER TO GET
14 HOUSING, YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE CHANNELS THAT YOU ALL
15 PROVIDE FOR US OUT HERE IN THIS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ALL I KNOW
16 IS THAT THE FREE SHELTERS SHOULDN'T BE CHARGING \$750 A MONTH
17 FOR RENT. THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **TIFFANY DUVERNAY-SMITH:** HI, MY NAME IS TIFFANY DUVERNAY-SMITH.
22 ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT GOT A LAYOFF NOTICE. WHEN I LOOKED AT
23 THAT REPORT, MY POSITION IS 13% FUNDED BY THE COUNTY AND I'M
24 CALLING ON YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. YOU SAID ALL OF US ARE
25 LAHSA. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I APPRECIATE YOU AND THE SENSE OF



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1 RESPONSIBILITY THAT YOU TOOK FOR ALL OF WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT
2 NOW AND I APPRECIATE YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR TALKING ABOUT
3 THE RIPPLE EFFECT. I'M ABOUT TO MAKE MY SIXTH MORTGAGE
4 PAYMENT. MY STORY IS FROM HOMELESS TO HOMEOWNER. I'M SCARED.
5 IF I'M THE COORDINATOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES LIVING EXPERIENCE
6 ADVISORY BOARD, IF THEY HAVE \$120,000 FOR LEAVE AND HIGH FLOW
7 FOR NEXT FISCAL YEAR, THEN WHY AM I GETTING LAID OFF? AND IF
8 MY POSITION IS BEING TRANSFERRED UNDER THE NEW LAHSA, I WAS
9 ALREADY HIRED FOR BOTH BOARDS, SO WHY AM I GETTING LAID OFF?
10 IT'S VERY CONFUSING, WE NEED YOUR HELP.

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

13
14 **DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY:** OKAY, GREETINGS. MY NAME IS DR.
15 KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY. I'M A POLICY ANALYST, AND I'M TALKING ABOUT
16 ON A SERVICE PROVIDER LEVEL. THE HOMELESS CRISIS ITSELF
17 APPARENTLY IS AFFECTING HOMELESS WORKERS, AND THIS IS A
18 \$50,000,000,000 COUNTY. WHERE IS THE HOLE? WHY ARE PEOPLE
19 UTILIZING PEOPLE'S PLIGHT IN HOMELESSNESS AS A SIX-FIGURE OR
20 EVEN A FIVE-FIGURE INCOME, AND YET YOU HAVE SKID ROW, WHICH IS
21 LESS THAN A MILE AND A HALF AWAY FROM HERE, FULL OF TENTS,
22 FULL OF PEOPLE THAT JUST NEED HOUSING. AS YOU HEARD, YOU HAVE
23 SHELTERS THAT ARE CHARGING HOMELESS FOLKS \$750 A MONTH.
24 LINDSAY HORVATH, YOU ARE PROBABLY THE MOST SANE PERSON ON THIS
25 PANEL, AND I KNOW THERE'S A CHANGE THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN



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1 SOON. SARAH MAHIN AND THIS NEW HOMELESS SYSTEM YOU CREATED, I
2 STILL HAVE YET TO SEE IT. SO LET'S DO BETTER, L.A. COUNTY --

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

5
6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** I'VE BEEN USING THE CONCIERGE SERVICE SINCE
7 OCTOBER. I HAVE BEEN TO EVERY JOB FAIR, EVERY VIRTUAL MEETING.
8 I'VE SENT OVER 10 APPLICATIONS. I HAVE GOTTEN REJECTION AFTER
9 REJECTION. THIS CONCIERGE SERVICE IS WORTHLESS BECAUSE IT'S
10 NOT GIVING ANYONE JOBS. YOUR WORDS RING HOLLOW WHEN YOU KEEP
11 IN MIND THAT NOT A SINGLE LAHSA OFFICE WORKER HAS BEEN OFFERED
12 OR HIRED FOR THE COUNTY. THIS BOARD HAS FAILED US FOR
13 MISMANAGING THE TRANSITION OF OUR FUNDS TO THE COUNTY. THIS IS
14 NOT ONLY GOING TO NEGATIVELY AFFECT US AS WORKERS, BUT IT'S
15 GOING TO NEGATIVELY AFFECT EVERY SINGLE PERSON THAT LIVES IN
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS BOARD SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF
17 THEMSELVES.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
20 BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

21
22 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THIS REPORT WILL BE RECEIVED
23 AND FILED.

24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE



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1 THE ORDER. MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO TAKE A VOTE ON
2 ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION. SO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE
3 BEFORE YOU, 2 THROUGH 11, 13 THROUGH 16, 18 THROUGH 24, 27 AND
4 28, 32 THROUGH 37, 39 THROUGH 48, 49, WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
5 RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, 51-82, 86, 1D, THESE ITEMS ARE
6 BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
9 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. TO APPROVE THE ITEM WITH THE
10 EXECEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
11 CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

14

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

16

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

19

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

21

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

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.



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

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

6

7 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AYE. MOTION
8 CARRIES, 4 TO 0. MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW VOTE ON A SEPARATE
9 MATTER, ITEM 87 WHICH IS BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM, CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

15

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

17

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

20

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

22

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

25



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

7

8 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AYE. MOTION
9 CARRIES, 4 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 31, CREATING
10 ACTION PLAN TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY CONCERNS REGARDING HOUSING
11 FACILITIES, SERVING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, WHICH
12 WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING
13 US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND
14 FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3, IF ON THE TELEPHONE.
15 SARAH MAHIN, DIRECTOR OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING IS
16 AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKER, PLEASE
17 SET YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE
18 BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I SEE SARAH'S
23 HERE. I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS. I DON'T REALLY
24 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR YOU, BUT MAYBE SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES
25 DO. SO THANK YOU AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR CO-



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1 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION. TODAY I'M BRINGING FORWARD A MOTION
2 THAT GETS AT SOMETHING THAT WE HEAR EVERY DAY FROM OUR
3 RESIDENTS AND SOMETHING WE ALL CARE ABOUT. HOW WE CONTINUE TO
4 MOVE PEOPLE OUT OF HOMELESSNESS AND INTO HOUSING WHILE ALSO
5 MAKING SURE OUR COMMUNITIES FEEL SAFE, FEEL HEARD, FEEL
6 RESPECTED. OVER THE PAST YEAR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS TAKEN A
7 MAJOR STEP FORWARD BY ESTABLISHING THIS NEW DEPARTMENT OF
8 HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. THIS DEPARTMENT WAS CREATED TO
9 BRING GREATER COORDINATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY AND FOCUS ON HOW
10 WE DELIVER HOUSING AND SERVICES TO PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
11 HOMELESSNESS. AND THAT WORK IS ALREADY UNDERWAY BY DIRECTOR
12 SARAH MAHIN AND HER TEAM. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR BEING HERE. WE
13 KNOW THAT INTERIM HOUSING, PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, AND
14 OTHER SERVICE-RICH PROGRAMS ARE ESSENTIAL. THEY'RE NOT JUST
15 BUILDINGS, THEY'RE LIFELINES. THEY PROVIDE STABILITY,
16 HEALTHCARE ACCESS, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND A PATH FORWARD TO
17 PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN. THEY HELP REDUCE THE
18 STRAIN ON OUR HOSPITALS, OUR EMERGENCY SYSTEMS, AND OUR
19 STREETS. BUT AS WE EXPAND THESE PROGRAMS, WE ALSO HAVE TO
20 ACKNOWLEDGE A REALITY. THE SUCCESS OF THESE SITES DEPENDS NOT
21 ONLY ON THE SERVICES INSIDE THEM, BUT ALSO ON HOW THEY OPERATE
22 WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOODS AROUND THEM. I'VE HEARD DIRECTLY FROM
23 RESIDENTS AND NEIGHBORS WHO WANT TO BE SUPPORTIVE, WHO
24 UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY OF THE CRISIS, BUT ALSO HAVE REAL
25 CONCERNS. THEY HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT SAFETY, THEY HAVE CONCERNS



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1 ABOUT LOITERING, ABOUT ENCAMPMENTS FORMING NEARBY, AND ABOUT
2 COMMUNICATION WHEN ISSUES DO ARISE. AND MOST RECENTLY, SOME OF
3 MY RESIDENTS IN UNINCORPORATED SOUTH WHITTIER HAVE RAISED
4 CONCERNS OVER AN INTERIM HOUSING SITE IN THAT COMMUNITY. THE
5 SITE IS SURROUNDED BY A LIBRARY, A COMMUNITY CENTER,
6 BUSINESSES, AND RESIDENTIAL HOMES. RESIDENTS SENT EMAILS AND
7 CAME TO A COMMUNITY MEETING, HOSTED BY IVAN, RAISING SUCH
8 CONCERNS. AND THIS IS NOT UNIQUE TO THIS COMMUNITY. I KNOW
9 THAT MANY TIMES WE ENCOUNTER FEAR AND UNCERTAINTY WHEN WE HAVE
10 THESE TYPES OF SITES AND WE CAN'T IGNORE THESE CONCERNS
11 BECAUSE IF WE DO WE RISK UNDERMINING PUBLIC TRUST AND WE RISK
12 LOSING SUPPORT FOR THE VERY HOUSING SOLUTIONS WE KNOW WE NEED.
13 THAT'S WHY THIS MOTION IS ABOUT BALANCE. IT DIRECTS OUR
14 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING TO WORK WITH THE
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICES TEAM, HOST,
16 AND OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND COME BACK WITH A CLEAR,
17 ACTIONABLE PLAN IN 90 DAYS. A PLAN TO STRENGTHEN THE ON-SITE
18 MANAGEMENT, IMPROVE SAFETY AND SUPERVISION, AND ADDRESS ISSUES
19 LIKE TRESPASSING AND UNAUTHORIZED ACTIVITY FOR OUR HOUSING
20 SITES IN THE COUNTY. AND JUST AS IMPORTANTLY, IT CALLS FOR A
21 PROACTIVE STRATEGY TO ADDRESS THE ENCAMPMENTS THAT OFTEN
22 DEVELOP AROUND THESE SITES, ENSURING OUTREACH, SERVICES, AND
23 REAL PATHWAYS INTO HOUSING WHILE PREVENTING THOSE ENCAMPMENTS
24 FROM SIMPLY RETURNING. THIS IS NOT ABOUT STEPPING BACK FROM
25 OUR COMMITMENT TO HOUSING. IT IS ABOUT DOING A BETTER JOB AND



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1 BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR. IT IS ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT WHEN WE
2 BRING A HOUSING PROGRAM INTO A COMMUNITY, WE'RE ALSO BRINGING
3 STRONG MANAGEMENT, CLEAR ACCOUNTABILITY, AND OPEN LINES OF
4 COMMUNICATION. IT'S ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT NEIGHBORS FEEL LIKE
5 PARTNERS, NOT BYSTANDERS IN OUR WORK. AND ULTIMATELY, IT'S
6 ABOUT STRENGTHENING THE LONG-TERM SUCCESS OF OUR HOMELESSNESS
7 RESPONSE, WHICH IS SOMETHING I KNOW WE ALL WANT. BECAUSE IF WE
8 WANT TO CONTINUE BUILDING THE HOUSING OUR COUNTY NEEDS, WE
9 MUST BUILD TRUST AT THE SAME TIME. AND I THINK THIS MOTION
10 MOVES US INTO THAT DIRECTION AND I RESPECTFULLY ASK MY
11 COLLEAGUES FOR AN AYE VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

12
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

14
15 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
16 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR INCLUDING ME AS A CO-AUTHOR IN
17 THIS MOTION, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT ABOUT THIS MOTION
18 IS NOT ABOUT STEPPING BACK. HAVING HAD MY STAFF REALLY
19 SUBJECTED TO A REALLY UGLY TOWN HALL MEETING IN MY DISTRICT
20 JUST THIS PAST WEEK WHERE CITY LEADERS WERE PRESENT AND WHERE
21 CITY LEADERS WERE PRESENT. SO I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENT. WE
22 ALL KNOW THAT HOUSING PAIRED WITH WRAPAROUND SERVICES ENDS
23 HOMELESSNESS FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ENTER THAT HOUSING AND HAVING
24 HOUSING OPTIONS THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY, I'LL SAY IT
25 AGAIN, THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY IS ESSENTIAL. PEOPLE SAY



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1 YES TO COMING INDOORS AND STAYING HOUSED WHEN WE HAVE
2 LOCATIONS THAT MEET THEIR NEEDS AND WE CANNOT IGNORE THE
3 CONCERNS WE CONTINUE TO HEAR FROM HOUSE RESIDENTS, SCHOOL
4 LEADERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS ABOUT EXISTING AND POTENTIAL SITES
5 IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS. WHERE AND FOR WHOM WE BUILD OFTEN
6 BECOMES ONE OF THE MOST POLARIZING QUESTIONS IN OUR
7 NEIGHBORHOODS. AS HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING WAS
8 ESTABLISHED AND CONTINUES TO BUILD ITS NEW FOUNDATION, THERE
9 HAS RIGHTFULLY BEEN A STRONG EMPHASIS ON CENTERING PEOPLE WITH
10 LIVED EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS. HOUSE RESIDENTS ALSO HAVE
11 REAL EXPERIENCES AND CONCERNS. AS SUPERVISOR HAHN STATED YOUNG
12 PEOPLE WALKING TO SCHOOL AND BUSINESSES THAT HAVE THEIR
13 UTILITIES TAPPED INTO OR THEIR ENTRYWAY BLOCKED. IT'S A
14 PROBLEM. THOSE EXPERIENCES ALSO NEED TO BE A PART OF HOW HSH
15 DEVELOPS. WE COLLECTIVELY DON'T HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF JUST
16 THINKING ABOUT ONE SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION AT A TIME. WHEN
17 WE WORK WITH BLINDERS ON, THAT'S HOW UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES
18 OCCUR. SO THIS MOTION IS ABOUT TAKING THOSE BLINDERS OFF AND
19 SEEING THE WHOLE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND THE FULL COMMUNITY
20 THAT LIVES AROUND INTERIM HOUSING AND PUBLIC HOUSING SITES. SO
21 I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. FIRST FOR SARAH, DURING THE
22 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR THE NEW DEPARTMENT, MY QUESTION IS HOW
23 WERE HOUSE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS ENGAGED? HOW DID YOU
24 BRING THEIR VOICE INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW DEPARTMENT?
25



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1 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANKS FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF
2 HSH, CHANGEWELL FACILITATED A COUNTYWIDE CO-DESIGN PROCESS FOR
3 ESTABLISHING THE NEW DEPARTMENT THAT ENGAGED OVER 5,000
4 INDIVIDUALS ACROSS THE COUNTY. THAT INCLUDED SERVICE
5 PROVIDERS, IT ALSO INCLUDED PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERTISE, BUT
6 ALSO INCLUDED JUST COMMUNITY LEADERS AND TRIBAL
7 REPRESENTATIVES. SO THAT WAS ACROSS ALL EIGHT SERVICE PLANNING
8 AREAS. HOUSE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES WERE ENGAGED THROUGH THE
9 LOCAL HOMELESS COALITIONS. AND BY GOING TO NEIGHBORHOOD
10 COUNCIL MEETINGS, WE ALSO WENT TO, THERE'S AN ANNUAL
11 CONFERENCE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS, WE WENT TO THAT. SO THAT
12 IS HOW HOUSE RESIDENTS WERE ENGAGED IN THE COMMUNITY DESIGN
13 PROCESS. AND SINCE HSH HAS LAUNCHED, OUR TEAM, INCLUDING
14 MYSELF, HAVE BEEN SPENDING MORE TIME GOING TO ROUNDTABLES AND
15 MEETINGS WITH ASSOCIATIONS AND BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES TO BE
16 EXPANDING OUR REACH. BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE NEED TO BE
17 WORKING WITH EVERYBODY, INCLUDING PEOPLE WHO ARE HOUSED ON THE
18 SOLUTIONS AROUND HOMELESSNESS.

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO WITH, YOU JUST SAID IT AND IT LEFT
21 MY HEAD, LORD HAVE MERCY, THE ENTITIES AT THE CITY LEVEL THAT
22 ORGANIZE COMMUNITIES?

23
24 **SARAH MAHIN:** NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS.



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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS. NOT A HARD
2 WORD, HOLLY. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS. PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE
3 CITY OF L.A. HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING REPRESENTED ON
4 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS. OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES DO NOT,
5 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MS. BARGER, WHO HAS HER OWN SYSTEM. AND
6 SO HOW WERE YOU ABLE TO GUARANTEE THAT BUSINESSES AND
7 RESIDENTS OF UNINCORPORATED AREAS WERE PROPORTIONATELY
8 REPRESENTED IN THAT 5,000?

9

10 **SARAH MAHIN:** WE LARGELY RELIED UPON THE HOMELESS COALITIONS
11 WHO HAVE BUILT OUT NETWORKS WITHIN THEIR REGIONS TO HELP US
12 BRING PEOPLE TO THE TABLE. AND THIS IS PART OF WE HAVE A
13 SYSTEM COORDINATION TEAM THAT'S NOW ATTENDING ALL OF THE
14 NEIGHBORHOOD. THE HOMELESS COALITION MEETINGS TO BE ENSURING
15 THAT WE HAVE THAT DIRECT RELATIONSHIP AND WE'RE HIRING NOW FOR
16 THE LEAD FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS POSITION AND THAT
17 POSITION WILL CERTAINLY HAVE A ROLE WITH MAKING SURE THAT
18 WE'RE DOING THAT IN AN EQUITABLE WAY.

19

20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND SO DO YOU HAVE A PLAN TO HAVE
21 ONGOING CONTINUED CONVERSATION? I'M HOPING THAT THAT WAS NOT A
22 ONE AND DONE IN TERMS OF THE ENGAGEMENT.

23

24 **SARAH MAHIN:** YES.

25



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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO, THOSE OF
2 US WHO REPRESENT SIGNIFICANT UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF WHICH THE
3 SECOND DISTRICT HAS TO BE ABLE TO, YOU KNOW, PROVIDE YOU NAMES
4 AND ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS.

5
6 **SARAH MAHIN:** YES.

7
8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** MANY OF WHOM MAY NOT HAVE OFFICIAL
9 TITLES, BUT ANYONE WHO LIVES IN THAT AREA KNOWS WHO THE SHOCK
10 CALLER IS. SO I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU THE LIST BECAUSE
11 AS YOU HAVE HEARD FROM ME AND MY STAFF, WE GET A SIGNIFICANT
12 VOLUME OF CALLS AND CONSISTENT ENGAGEMENT FROM HOUSE RESIDENTS
13 AND BUSINESSES WHO FEEL THAT, YOU KNOW, I SHOULD RESIGN, I
14 HAVE DONE NOTHING, WE'VE DONE NOTHING WITH REGARD TO THE
15 UNHOUSED, AND AS WE CONTINUE TO PUSH YOU AND THE DEPARTMENT TO
16 CONTINUE WITH OUR CLEANUPS AND PATHWAY HOME TO CONTINUE TO
17 ADDRESS THE RV ISSUE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GETTING THE CALLS AND
18 YET WE NOW HAVE A NEW DEPARTMENT. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I DON'T
19 KNOW IF IT WAS ENVISIONED ABOUT WHO, HOW THOSE CALLS WOULD
20 TRANSITION TO YOU IN THAT YOU AND THE DEPARTMENT ARE IN MANY
21 INSTANCES BETTER POSITIONED TO TALK ABOUT SCHEDULED CLEANUPS,
22 TO DIRECTLY RESPOND TO CONSTITUENTS. SO, YOU KNOW, I WOULD
23 JUST ENCOURAGE MY COLLEAGUES AND ALL OF US TO CONTINUE TO
24 THINK ABOUT HOW WE BUILD OUT THE FOUNDATION OF YOUR
25 DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE I THINK THOSE CALLS SHOULD BE SHIFTED TO



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1 YOU. I UNDERSTAND YOU AND OTHERS FEEL DIFFERENTLY, SO WE'LL
2 HAVE TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION BECAUSE THE POINT
3 IS WE DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO BE PUSHED AROUND, WE WANT THEM TO
4 HAVE IMMEDIATE ANSWERS FROM THE PEOPLE WHO ARE EMPOWERED TO
5 GIVE THEM AN ANSWER ABOUT WHEN A RESOLUTION IS GOING TO
6 HAPPEN IN FRONT OF THEIR BUSINESS OR IN FRONT OF THEIR HOME OR
7 IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. SO I APPRECIATE BEING INVITED TO
8 PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S MOTION. AGAIN WE'VE GOT TO BUILD OUT
9 ACROSS THE ENTIRE COUNTY. I'M GOING TO DO MY PART. I HOPE
10 EVERYBODY ELSE DOES REALLY SO WE CAN MEANINGFULLY ADDRESS
11 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE
12 BUILDING PLACES FOR THEM TO LIVE. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
13 HAHN, FOR THE INVITATION.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

16
17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO
18 THANK THE AUTHORS OF THIS MOTION FOR IDENTIFYING SOLUTIONS TO
19 SOMETHING THAT IS EMERGING IN JUST ABOUT EVERY COMMUNITY AND I
20 THINK THE FEEDBACK CERTAINLY DESERVES ACTION. I'M CONCERNED
21 THAT THE MOTION POTENTIALLY IMPLIES THAT HOST WILL NOW BE
22 DEPLOYED COUNTYWIDE, WHICH IT CURRENTLY IS NOT. I KNOW THAT
23 THEY ARE NOT THE FIRST RESPONDING AGENCY, FOR EXAMPLE, FOR
24 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND PERHAPS
25 OTHER CITIES THAT DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF CONTRACT ARRANGEMENT



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1 WITH THE COUNTY. SO, I GUESS TO SARAH, HOW DO YOU INTEND IN
2 YOUR REPORT BACK TO IDENTIFY WHAT ROLE HOST WILL PLAY AND
3 DISTINGUISH THAT FOR COMMUNITIES THAT MIGHT NOT BENEFIT FROM A
4 HOST TEAM? OR IS THE PLAN TO EXPAND HOST?

5

6 **SARAH MAHIN:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION AND IT'S A GOOD ONE
7 AND IT WAS ACTUALLY PART OF THE DISCUSSION AT CLUSTER AND AN
8 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT IN THE REPORT BACK, WE WOULD HAVE TO
9 CLARIFY THAT HOST HAS, WHERE HOST HAS JURISDICTION IN OTHER
10 AREAS LIKE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, IT'S LAPD AND IT'S NOT
11 HOST. SO THE PROTOCOLS HAVE TO BE SPECIFIC TO THE JURISDICTION
12 WHERE THE SITE IS IN. I ALSO THINK IT'S GOING TO BE IMPORTANT
13 AND TO YOUR POINT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL EARLIER FOR US ALSO TO
14 BE CLEAR AND MANAGE EXPECTATIONS AROUND WHAT WE HAVE CAPACITY
15 TO DO. AND SO I THINK THAT WILL BE PART OF OUR REPORT BACK AS
16 WELL.

17

18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. DO YOU HAVE ANY SENSE THAT
19 OTHER JURISDICTIONS WHERE HOST IS NOT CURRENTLY DEPLOYED ARE
20 LOOKING TO DEVELOP A HOST-LIKE COUNTERPART FOR THEIR
21 RESPECTIVE JURISDICTION?

22

23 **SARAH MAHIN:** I AM NOT. I KNOW THAT THE CITY OF LAPD USED TO
24 HAVE A HOST-LIKE DIVISION AND IT NO LONGER EXISTS. I'M NOT
25 AWARE OF OTHERS, BUT I CAN TALK WITH OUR SHERIFF COLLEAGUES. I



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1 JUST ASK THAT BECAUSE I KNOW THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT PLAYS A
2 DIFFERENT ROLE THAN OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND THE HOST TEAM
3 EVEN PLAYS A DIFFERENT ROLE THAN TRADITIONAL FOOT PATROL. AND
4 THE HOST TEAM, I THINK, DOES AN INCREDIBLE JOB OF, THROUGH
5 THEIR TRAUMA-INFORMED WORK AND THROUGH THEIR SPECIFIC
6 TRAINING, TO RESPOND DIFFERENTLY TO CALLS FOR SERVICE, TO
7 DEVELOP RELATIONSHIP WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED. AND IF
8 THEY'RE BEING DEPLOYED, I HAVE MUCH GREATER CONFIDENCE THAN IF
9 TRADITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT IS GOING TO BE DEPLOYED. AND I'M
10 CONCERNED THAT WHAT WE'RE SAYING HERE IS, YOU KNOW, STEP UP
11 LAW ENFORCEMENT AS AN ACTION IN OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT DON'T
12 BENEFIT FROM HOST. AND SO, IS THAT THE MESSAGE THAT WE'RE
13 SENDING OR WHAT IS THE PLAN FOR JURISDICTIONS WHERE LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT WILL BE THEIR ONLY OPTION?

15
16 **SARAH MAHIN:** I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT AND I
17 THINK YOU'RE RAISING A REALLY IMPORTANT POINT. AND WE KNOW
18 THAT HOST DOES DO TRAINING FOR OTHER JURISDICTIONS, SO THAT
19 CAN BE PART OF OUR ANALYSIS WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT A
20 JURISDICTION BY JURISDICTION APPROACH, WHICH ONES DOES SHERIFF
21 PARTNER WITH FOR THAT SAME TYPE OF TRAINING THAT WE KNOW HELPS
22 TO ADDRESS PROBLEMS, BUT IN A PROBLEM SOLVING APPROACH, A
23 SOLUTION ORIENTED APPROACH.

24
25 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, I WILL LOOK FORWARD TO THE



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1 REPORT BACK BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S WHAT THIS IS DIRECTING. I'M
2 CONCERNED ABOUT MIXED MESSAGING AND IF THE GOAL IS TO EXPAND
3 HOST COUNTYWIDE, I'M INTERESTED IN THAT BECAUSE I DO THINK
4 THAT THEY DO A VERY GOOD JOB AND THAT THE WAY THAT THEY ARE
5 TRAINED IS RESPONSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE KIND OF NEED
6 THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. SO, IF THAT'S THE GOAL, THEN I'M
7 INTERESTED IN THAT, BUT IF WHAT WE'RE NOW SAYING IS WE'RE
8 ENCOURAGING OTHER JURISDICTIONS TO START ARRESTING HOMELESS
9 PEOPLE BECAUSE LAW ENFORCEMENT IS THEIR TOOL. I'M CONCERNED
10 ABOUT THAT. AND SO I'M HEARING WHAT AT LEAST ONE OF THE
11 AUTHORS SAY THAT'S NOT WHAT THE MESSAGE IS. BUT I JUST WANT TO
12 STATE IT FOR THE RECORD CLEARLY SO THAT WAY WE ARE VERY CLEAR
13 ABOUT THAT.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU,
16 SUPERVISOR HANNAH MITCHELL, FOR ALSO INTRODUCING THE MOTION.
17 BECAUSE I, YOU KNOW, IN ANY SITUATION, SOMETIMES OUR
18 COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, WHICH I
19 UNDERSTAND OFTEN IS NOT FULLY MADE AWARE IN TERMS OF WHEN WE
20 HAVE PLACEMENT OF INTERIM HOUSING OR MIXED HOUSING AND
21 AFFORDABLE AND ALL OF THAT. AND IT IS A CHALLENGE. AND, YOU
22 KNOW, IT JUST TELLS ME THAT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO DO A LOT
23 MORE OUTREACH. AND NOT JUST WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE I
24 KNOW YOU'RE DOING YOUR BEST, BUT WE RELY A LOT VERY HEAVILY ON
25 THOSE PROVIDERS. AND THE PROVIDERS CAN ALSO BE A MIXED BAG.



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1 AND SOMETIMES THEY DON'T FULLY PROVIDE CLARITY TO THEIR
2 RECIPIENTS. AND, YOU KNOW, WHAT ARE THE RULES, YOU KNOW, WHAT
3 ARE THE THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED? AND THAT, JUST ONE
4 INSTANCE, CAN CREATE FALLOUT FOR AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY. AND ALL
5 THE GOOD THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE JUST GO DOWN, JUST GO DOWN.
6 AND THAT FOR ME IS HEARTBREAKING. I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT
7 HAPPEN. SO I THINK THERE ARE PROBABLY TWO THINGS TO DO. ONE IS
8 TO HAVE MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PROVIDERS BECAUSE WHAT
9 ARE THOSE CHECKS AND BALANCES THERE? HOW ARE THEY ALSO TALKING
10 TO THE SURROUNDING CITIES AND THE MUNICIPALITY? BUT ALSO, IF
11 IT ISN'T THE SHERIFFS, THEN IF IT'S THE LOCAL PD, I DO KNOW IN
12 SOME OF MY OWN CITIES THAT ARE INCORPORATED THAT THEY DO HAVE
13 TEAMS. NOT ALL CITIES DO BUT SOME DO AND MAYBE THAT'S A
14 DISCUSSION TO START HAVING. HOW DO THEY HANDLE THAT BECAUSE I
15 KNOW THE CITY OF EL MONTE HAS A TEAM, THEY HAVE A BIG POLICE
16 DEPARTMENT, AND THEY HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE TRAINED TO DE-
17 ESCALATE, TO KNOW HOW TO TALK TO THE HOMELESS AND PEOPLE THAT
18 ARE OUT ON THE STREET. AND I THINK WE COULD BENEFIT FROM SOME
19 OF THAT. SO TWO LEVELS. ONE IS THINK ABOUT WHAT, YOU KNOW,
20 HOST IS A GOOD MODEL. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF THEM,
21 ALWAYS. BUT I KNOW THAT THE SHARE-UP DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH
22 FUNDING, NOR DO WE. BUT I THINK THAT OTHERS, OTHER CITIES, CAN
23 START TO LOOK AT HOW THEY CAN START WORKING WITH DEVELOPING
24 THROUGH THEIR OWN PD, OR IF THEY DON'T IN THEIR CONTRACT CITY,
25 THEN MAYBE START PITCHING IN TO THAT EFFORT. THAT'S SOMETHING



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1 THAT I WOULD STRONGLY ENCOURAGE, AND I'M SURE THE SHERIFF MAY,
2 I DON'T KNOW, I WON'T SPEAK FOR HIM, BUT PERHAPS THERE'S A WAY
3 OF GETTING THOSE FOLKS ENGAGED. SINCE WE'RE GOING TO BE COMING
4 UP WITH A CONTRACT CITIES CONVENTION, PEOPLE SHOULD START TO
5 TALK ABOUT THESE THINGS. THEN JUST THE OTHER THING IS JUST
6 MAKING SURE THAT OUR PROVIDERS, THAT WE'RE TOGETHER ON A LOT
7 OF THINGS AND THAT WE AS SUPERVISORS EVEN KNOW WHAT IS
8 HAPPENING. BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT WHEN WE GET CALLS.
9 MY STAFF ISN'T FULLY AWARE OFTIMES WHAT THE PROTOCOLS ARE
10 WITH SOME OF THE MAJOR PROVIDERS IN OUR DISTRICT AND IT VARIES
11 AND THAT THAT CAN CREATE PROBLEMS MOVING FORWARD SO I THINK
12 THOSE ARE SOME THINGS THAT I'D LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN I KNOW YOUR
13 STAFF IS WORKING VERY HARD WITH OURS AND WE CONTINUE IN THE
14 UNINCORPORATED AREAS TO GET CALLS AND CONCERNS ABOUT UNHOUSED
15 POPULATIONS AROUND SOME OF OUR INTERIM HOUSING CENTERS. AND WE
16 DO HAVE TO DO A BETTER JOB THERE. AND I KNOW THAT ONE'S GOING
17 TO BE HARD BECAUSE OF LIMITED FUNDING, BUT I THINK WE'VE GOT
18 TO FIND SOME WAY. WE REALLY DO HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO GET THERE
19 AND NOT JUST POINT THE FINGER AT YOU EITHER, BECAUSE THIS IS A
20 WHOLE HOST OF THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO TRY TO MONITOR AND WORK
21 TOGETHER. I THINK THERE'S WAYS OF EVEN GETTING OUR COGS
22 INVOLVED, COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, THEY GET FUNDING, SPECIAL
23 FUNDING FROM SACRAMENTO AND FROM US, FROM MEASURE A. SO HOW
24 CAN WE DIRECT, YOU KNOW, I DON'T WANT TO SAY OVERSTEP BUT
25 GIVING THEM SOME IDEAS. LOOK, THESE ARE THINGS THAT CAN WORK



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1 FOR YOU. AND START, YOU KNOW, GIVING THAT BOILERPLATE LANGUAGE
2 OF WHAT WORKS AND THEN HAVING PEOPLE COME AND TALK TO THEM
3 WHERE IT HAS PROVEN TO BE, YOU KNOW, FOOLPROOF, OR AT LEAST
4 HALFWAY FOOLPROOF. SO I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE THAT BUT THANK
5 YOU FOR THE WORK AND THE WORK THAT YOUR STAFF DO AT AN
6 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THANK YOU. OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER MEMBERS
7 WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS. LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
10 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY,
11 KINGSEY TERZIEV, AND RICHARD BABINO. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE
12 IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** THANK YOU. AND TO THIS SITUATION THAT THE
15 COUNTY HAS FAILED MISERABLY IN GETTING ALL OF THE PARTIES TO
16 THE TO THE PARTY AND ACTING WITH CONSISTENT AS WE'VE NOTED ON
17 MY YOUTUBE CHANNEL AND WELLNESS SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THIS
18 WEEKEND THIS LACK OF CONTINUITY AND AGAIN CONSEQUENCES FOR
19 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS. UNTIL SUCH A
20 TIME, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WHAT WE HAVE IN THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS
21 AS TREATED AS A GHETTO BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND WE
22 DON'T DESERVE IT. YOU NEED TO GET TO, AND THESE PEOPLE WITH
23 LAHSA AND SO FORTH, THEY KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON ALL THE TIME,
24 SO IT'S SAD, BUT THE LITTLE GUYS GET HURT WHILE THE BIG GUYS
25 GET AWAY. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
3 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
4 ITEM 31 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
5 PLEASE BEGIN.

6

7 **DR. KRIDIKEL TRUTHBEY:** HI, MS. SARAH MAHIN. I NEED YOUR EMAIL
8 ADDRESS, MA'AM. OKAY, EVER SINCE YOU'VE BEEN IN THIS POSITION,
9 WE HAVE 14 SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE PROPOSALS THAT THEY
10 SENT TO YOUR, I THINK IT WAS DHS OR YOUR PREVIOUS EMAIL. SO
11 THAT'S A FIRST STEP. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S INSTRUCTED NOT TO
12 CONTACT THE PUBLIC, BUT THIS TODAY COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED
13 IF YOU COMMUNICATE WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE PLANS
14 SUCH AS RV PARKS, SUCH AS TEMPORARY HOUSING, ALL OF THESE
15 THINGS WHICH WOULD MEDIATE FOR THE ISSUES. SO MY NAME IS DR.
16 TRUTHBEY AND I WANT YOU TO REMEMBER MY FACE BECAUSE I'M BEING
17 NICE ABOUT IT TODAY ON HOW WE ARE BEING TRANSPARENT TO THE
18 PUBLIC. WE NEED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND YOU NEED TO COMMUNICATE
19 WITH THE SERVICE PROVIDER SO WE ACTUALLY HOUSE THE HOMELESS.
20 BECAUSE I WORK EVERY DAY IN SKID ROW WHILE AGAIN, PROVIDING
21 THE SIMPLE SERVICES THAT YOU AND YOUR NEW DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE
22 PROVIDING. I APPRECIATE YOU. I'M SURE YOU'RE A NICE LADY, BUT
23 THIS IS BUSINESS RIGHT NOW.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON



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1 ITEM 31.

2

3 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 31 IS BEFORE YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN SECONDED BY
6 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
7 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

10

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

12

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

15

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

17

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

20

21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

22

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

25



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

2
3 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
4 CARRIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 12, MOTION TO PROCLAIM
5 MAY 4TH THROUGH MAY 11TH, 2026, AS MISSING AND MURDERED
6 INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AWARENESS WEEK THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF
8 THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE
9 USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3,
10 IF ON A TELEPHONE. THANK YOU.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU'RE
13 RECOGNIZED.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
16 FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME. I APPRECIATE YOUR
17 COMMITMENT ON THIS ISSUE AND I'M GLAD TO BE PROCLAIMING MAY
18 4TH THROUGH 11TH AS AN AWARENESS WEEK, THOUGH THE AWARENESS IS
19 QUITE TRAGIC. IT IS THE MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS
20 PEOPLES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND IT'S HEARTBREAKING
21 THAT WE EVEN HAVE TO DO THIS, BUT IT IS NECESSARY BECAUSE WE
22 MUST EDUCATE OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT THIS TRAGEDY. BACK IN
23 SEPTEMBER, I MET WITH YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THE NONPROFIT PUKUU
24 COMMUNITY SERVICES, WHO ARE ENROLLED INTO CHINC POWER
25 FELLOWSHIP. THEY SPOKE ABOUT THE STRUGGLES WITH HIGH RATES OF



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1 ASSAULT, ABDUCTION, AND MURDER OF TRIBAL MEMBERS, AND THE
2 URGENT NEED TO BRING MORE AWARENESS TO THE MMIP CRISIS. THEIR
3 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT
4 THESE REALITIES, AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR THEIR ADVOCACY AND
5 PERSISTENCE IN SEEKING JUSTICE AND TRUTH FOR THOSE WHO ARE
6 MISSING AND MURDERED AND FOR TAKING THE PERSONAL TIME TO
7 EDUCATE ME AND MY STAFF ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT ARE EXPERIENCED
8 BY RESIDENTS IN OUR OWN DISTRICT AND THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY. WE KNOW THIS STEMS FROM A LEGACY OF GENERATIONS OF
10 GOVERNMENT POLICIES OF FORCED REMOVAL, LAND SEIZURE, AND
11 VIOLENCE INFLICTED ON NATIVE PEOPLES. WHAT WE DON'T KNOW IS
12 THE FULL PICTURE OF THE PROBLEM. SERIOUS DATA GAPS, INCLUDING
13 SYSTEMIC UNDERREPORTING AND FREQUENT RACIAL MISCLASSIFICATION,
14 MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH AN ACCURATE NATIONWIDE COUNT
15 OF MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. THIS ISSUE IS
16 FURTHER COMPOUNDED BY A SIGNIFICANT LACK OF MAINSTREAM MEDIA
17 COVERAGE AND INCONSISTENT LOGGING OF REPORTS INTO NATIONAL
18 DATABASES. AND TO THAT END, I WANT TO THANK OUR LOCAL CBS FOR
19 ALLOWING ME TO TALK ABOUT THIS ISSUE YESTERDAY MORNING, AND WE
20 WILL CONTINUE TO RAISE AWARENESS THROUGH ALL OF OUR MEDIA
21 PARTNERS WHO WILL BE WILLING PARTNERS. I ESPECIALLY WANT TO
22 THANK ASSEMBLYMEMBER JAMES RAMOS, THE FIRST CALIFORNIA NATIVE
23 AMERICAN STATE LAWMAKER FOR THE PROGRESS THAT HE MADE IN BEING
24 ABLE TO ADDRESS THE DISPROPORTIONATE RATES OF VIOLENCE AND
25 DISAPPEARANCE THROUGH THE CREATION OF THE FEATHER ALERT.



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1 FEATHER ALERT IS AN EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM ACTIVATED BY
2 THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL TO HELP LOCATE MISSING
3 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN CALIFORNIA. IF A TRIBAL MEMBER OR TRIBAL
4 AUTHORITY BELIEVES THAT THERE IS A MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSON
5 WHO MIGHT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR A FEATHER ALERT, THEY SHOULD
6 IMMEDIATELY CONTACT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT. EVERY MEMBER OF THE
7 COMMUNITY CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN A FEATHER ALERT. IF
8 YOU HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT ONE THAT OCCURRED, CALL 911
9 IMMEDIATELY TO REPORT IT. EVEN THE SMALLEST PIECE OF
10 INFORMATION CAN BE THE PIECE THAT LEADS TO A SUCCESSFUL
11 RECOVERY. WE'RE GRATEFUL TO STAND ALONGSIDE OUR COMMUNITY
12 PARTNERS AND OUR LOS ANGELES CITY COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN
13 INDIAN COMMISSION IN UPLIFTING MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS
14 PEOPLE AWARENESS, INCLUDING INDIGENOUS CIRCLE OF WELLNESS,
15 SHO'O-SHINALI SISTER PROJECT, THE CHAPTER HOUSE, RED NATION
16 CELEBRATION INSTITUTE, AND I KNOW THERE ARE OTHERS WHO ARE
17 JOINING IN THIS WORK. I WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW THAT THE COUNTY
18 STANDS IN REMEMBRANCE AND IN SOLIDARITY. WE HONOR THEIR LIVES,
19 UPLIFT SURVIVORS, AND RECOGNIZE THE ONGOING IMPACTS OF
20 COLONIAL VIOLENCE THAT MAKE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY
21 WOMEN AND GIRLS, TWO-SPIRIT AND LGBTQ+ RELATIVES
22 DISPROPORTIONATELY VULNERABLE. AND I JOIN THEM TODAY IN
23 WEARING RED ON MAY 5, 2026, IN SOLIDARITY WITH SURVIVORS AND
24 TO RAISE AWARENESS. THIS CLOAK THAT I'M WEARING THAT IS RED
25 WAS GIVEN TO ME AS PART OF A NATIVE AMERICAN TRADITION THAT WE



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1 CELEBRATED IN WEST HOLLYWOOD AT OUR PARK. IT WAS A PRACTICE OF
2 HEALING. AND I TREASURE THIS AND WEAR IT NOW IN REMEMBRANCE OF
3 THE WORK THAT WE HAVE YET TO DO FOR THE COMMUNITY AND COMMIT
4 MYSELF TO THIS WORK. AND I KNOW OUR BOARD MEMBERS WILL AS
5 WELL. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND
8 THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS WITH YOU. THIS IS
9 A REALLY IMPORTANT MOTION BEFORE US BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING
10 ABOUT REAL PEOPLE AND REAL FAMILIES AND A CRISIS THAT HAS GONE
11 ON FOR TOO LONG, FOR MANY, MANY CENTURIES. NATIVE AMERICAN AND
12 ALASKA NATIVE WOMEN AND GIRLS CONTINUE TO FACE VIOLENCE AT
13 DEEPLY ALARMING RATES. AND TOO OFTEN, THEIR DISAPPEARANCES ARE
14 NOT MET WITH THE SAME KIND OF IMMEDIATE AND COORDINATED
15 RESPONSE THAT ANY FAMILY DESERVES WHEN SOMEONE GOES MISSING.
16 AND THIS IS NOT ONE ISSUE IN ISOLATION. IT SHOWS UP ALONGSIDE
17 OTHER FORMS OF VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC ABUSE, SEXUAL ASSAULT,
18 TRAFFICKING, THAT COMPOUND THE HARM AND MAKE PEOPLE EVEN MORE
19 VULNERABLE. WHAT IS ESPECIALLY PAINFUL IS HOW MANY OF THESE
20 CASES NEVER GET RESOLVED. FAMILIES ARE LEFT WAITING, SOMETIMES
21 FOR YEARS, WITHOUT ANSWERS, WITHOUT CLOSURE, AND WITHOUT
22 CONFIDENCE THAT EVERYTHING POSSIBLE WAS DONE. THAT WEIGHS
23 HEAVILY ON COMMUNITIES AND IT WEIGHS HEAVILY ON ALL OF US.
24 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE HAVE A PARTICULAR RESPONSIBILITY. WE
25 ARE HOME TO THE LARGEST NATIVE AMERICAN AND ALASKA NATIVE



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1 POPULATION IN THIS COUNTRY. AND THAT MEANS WE CAN'T TREAT THIS
2 AS SOMETHING DISTANT OR ABSTRACT. AND HERE, NOW, THE MOMENT IN
3 TIME, IT DEMANDS US TO TAKE A SERIOUS RESPONSE. WE NEED
4 SYSTEMS THAT CAN MOVE QUICKLY WHEN SOMEONE GOES MISSING. WE
5 NEED BETTER COORDINATION, BETTER COMMUNICATION, AND LESS DELAY
6 BETWEEN WHEN A REPORT COMES IN AND WHEN ACTION IS TAKEN. TOOLS
7 LIKE FEATHER ALERT ARE CRITICAL, BUT THEY ONLY WORK IF THEY
8 ARE UNDERSTOOD AND USED CONSISTENTLY AND SUPPORTED ACROSS BY
9 ALL PARTNERS. THIS MOTION IS ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT THAT
10 HAPPENS AND THAT WE ARE ALL JUST NOT RECOGNIZING THE CRISIS,
11 BUT ACTUALLY DOING SOMETHING TO IMPROVE IT AND TO RESPOND TO
12 IT. AND FOR THAT, I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE SHERIFF AND HIS
13 TEAM FOR ENGAGING IN THIS WORK AND FOR BEING OPEN TO LOOKING
14 AT HOW WE CAN STRENGTHEN AND IMPLEMENT A TRACKING SYSTEM
15 MOVING FORWARD. THAT KIND OF COLLABORATION MATTERS BECAUSE AT
16 THE END OF THE DAY THIS IS ABOUT GETTING PEOPLE HOME SAFELY
17 AND NOT LOSING TIME WHEN EVERY MINUTE COUNTS. WE OWE OUR
18 NATIVE FAMILIES MORE THAN JUST RECOGNITION. WE OWE THEM
19 URGENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND ACTION THAT MATCHES THE
20 SERIOUSNESS OF WHAT THEY ARE LIVING THROUGH. THANK YOU, AND
21 WITH THAT, I'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

22
23 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
24 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THE MOTION
25 FORWARD. YOU KNOW, THIS CRISIS, THE CRISIS OF MISSING AND



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1 MURDERED, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND WOMEN, IT'S BEEN OVERLOOKED
2 AND MET WITH SYSTEMIC NEGLECT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE FOR FAR TOO
3 LONG. IT SHOULD BE, I THINK IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE CALL OUT AND
4 ACKNOWLEDGE THE DISPARITY, THAT WE DON'T GLOSS OVER THAT
5 BECAUSE WHEN WE GLOSS OVER IT, WE DON'T ACKNOWLEDGE THE ROLE
6 SYSTEMIC RACISM PLAYS IN THE SYSTEMIC FAILURES. AND IT'S
7 IMPORTANT THAT I WANT TO RAISE THAT POINT BECAUSE YOU KNOW,
8 THERE'S A CURRENT DENIAL RATE OF APPROXIMATELY 60% OF FEATHER
9 ALERT REQUESTS STATEWIDE AND IT RAISES THE QUESTION ABOUT BOTH
10 THE LOCAL AND STATE LEVEL DECISION-MAKING PROCESS THAT LEADS
11 TO THE REJECTIONS. SEVERAL ADVOCATES AND TRIBAL LEADERS HAVE
12 RAISED CONCERNS THAT MISCLASSIFICATION OF ETHNICITY AND RACE
13 CAN LEAD TO THE REJECTION OF FEDERAL ALERT REQUESTS. I HOPE IT
14 IS THAT AND NOT MUCH MORE IN TERMS OF A DENIAL OF THE VALIDITY
15 OF THE CONCERNS RAISED BY FAMILY MEMBERS, WHICH IS WHY THE
16 FEDERAL ALERT WAS CREATED IN THE FIRST PLACE. THEY'VE ALSO
17 RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT THE LACK OF CULTURAL COMPETENCY WHEN
18 ASSESSING WHETHER THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF A DISAPPEARANCE ARE
19 SUFFICIENTLY, QUOTE, SUSPICIOUS TO MERIT A FEDERAL ALERT. SO I
20 WILL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO SUPPORTING THE MOTION I'M CLEAR
21 THAT THESE BARRIERS ARE NOT HARMLESS AND THEY SHOULD BE
22 ADDRESSED MEANINGFULLY WITH CLEAR EYES AND TRUE COMMITMENT.
23 THANKS, MADAM CHAIR.

24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU'RE



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1 RECOGNIZED.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
4 TO YOURSELF AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR INTRODUCING THIS
5 MOTION. I TOO AM WEARING RED TODAY IN SOLIDARITY. THIS IS NOT
6 JUST A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE. IT'S A PUBLIC HEALTH, EQUITY, AND
7 SYSTEMS COORDINATION ISSUE. NAMING THIS AWARENESS WEEK IS
8 FOUNDATIONAL TO ADVANCING EQUITY AND REPAIRING TRUST, AND I
9 APPRECIATE THAT THIS MOTION BUILDS ON PRIOR EFFORTS. IN 2021,
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU AND I AUTHORED A MOTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE
11 AND APOLOGIZE FOR THE HISTORIC MISTREATMENT OF CALIFORNIA
12 NATIVE AMERICANS BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT WORK LED TO THE
13 COUNTY'S FIRST LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, DEVELOPED IN PARTNERSHIP
14 WITH OUR L.A. CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION,
15 AND MARKED AN IMPORTANT SHIFT TOWARD ONGOING COLLABORATION
16 WITH NATIVE COMMUNITIES IN POLICY AND PLANNING AND DECISION
17 MAKING, ENSURING INDIGENOUS VOICES SHAPE HOW THIS HISTORY IS
18 TOLD AND HONORED. INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES ARE NOT ONLY PART OF
19 OUR HISTORY, THEY ARE VITAL TO OUR PRESENT AND OUR FUTURE. AND
20 THIS COMMITMENT TO MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLES
21 MUST CONTINUE THROUGH ACTION, THROUGH BETTER COORDINATION,
22 IMPROVED DATA, AND SUSTAINED PARTNERSHIP WITH INDIGENOUS
23 COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE THAT NO ONE IS EVER OVERLOOKED. THANK
24 YOU.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS
2 FROM MY COLLEAGUES, LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT.

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
5 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY,
6 PAMELA VILLASENOR, ETHAN MOLINA, JOEY WILLIAMS, AND JACK
7 ANKER. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS WHO HAVE
8 SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM
9 12 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE
10 BEGIN.

11
12 **PAMELA VILLASENOR:** MY NAME IS PAMELA VILLASENOR. I'M A CITIZEN
13 OF FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. AND IN 2021, I
14 WAS WORKING IN TRIBAL GOVERNMENT WHEN YOU ALL WERE WORKING ON
15 THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT AND THE
16 SUBSEQUENT WORK THE COUNTY IS UPLIFTING. TODAY, WE HONOR
17 MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HERE IN THE COUNTY OF
18 LOS ANGELES, INCLUDING MY HOMELANDS OF NORTHERN LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY. AND MMIP IS A REALITY THAT CARRIES GRIEF, BUT ALSO
20 RESILIENCE FOR OUR PEOPLES. FOR ALL OF OUR ORGANIZATIONS AND
21 TRIBES WHO ARE WORKING STATEWIDE TO ADDRESS THIS AND OF
22 COURSE, HAVING A CALIFORNIA NATIVE IN STATE LEGISLATURE WHO'S
23 PUSHING THROUGH SYSTEMIC CHANGES FOR US. BUT HERE IN LOS
24 ANGELES, WE ARE THE LARGEST NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN THE
25 COUNTRY AND WE ARE WORKING TO MAKE SURE THAT GAPS IN DATA ARE



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1 ADDRESSED AND APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND
2 MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLES.

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

5
6 **ETHAN MOLINA:** [SPEAKING NATIVE AMERICAN] HI EVERYONE. MY NAME
7 IS ETHAN MOLINA. I'M CURRENTLY THE PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN
8 INDIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION AT CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. AND I WANT
9 TO FIRST OFF START BY SAYING THANK YOU BECAUSE AS SOMEBODY
10 WHO'S ALMOST BEEN ABDUCTED ABOUT THREE TIMES SPECIFICALLY IN
11 PACOIMA, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS IMPACTED ME, AND I'M VERY
12 GRATEFUL FOR A LOT OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES JUST BECAUSE WITHOUT
13 INFORMATION AND PEOPLE BEING ABLE TO LOCATE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE,
14 BEING ABLE TO HAVE COMMUNITY LOOK OUT FOR US FOR COMMUNITY, WE
15 WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO BE IN THESE POSITIONS OF BEING ABLE TO
16 KEEP A LOT OF OUR CULTURES, LANGUAGES ALIVE IF THERE'S NO
17 PEOPLE BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR TRYING TO ABDUCT AND DOING
18 HEINOUS AND HORRIBLE THINGS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. SO THANK
19 YOU, PAIUTE, FOR EVERYBODY WHO'S HERE AND HAVE A NICE DAY.
20 BYE, BYE.

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

23
24 **JACK OCHOA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JACK OCHOA AND ALSO MY
25 FAMILY CALL ME JOAQUIN. I'M ACTUALLY BORN AND RAISED IN EAST



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1 L.A. UNINCORPORATED 90022. THIS ONE IN PARTICULAR IS VERY,
2 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO ME. MY GRAND, MY GREAT GRANDMOTHER WAS
3 HIDDEN AS AN INDIGENOUS WOMAN BECAUSE WHEN I ASKED MY MOM
4 ABOUT OUR HERITAGE SHE THREW ME OUT OF THE HOUSE BECAUSE SHE
5 WAS WORRIED ABOUT THAT THE COPS WERE GOING TO COME AND TAKE
6 US. SO THIS ONE, VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO US. I THINK AS A
7 COMMUNITY WE NEED TO IDENTIFY THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT
8 DISAPPEAR. IT'S NOT RIGHT. WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO DO A
9 STUDY. IN FACT, THE INDIGENOUS GROUPS IN MEXICO ARE CURRENTLY,
10 THEY MET IN COUNCIL A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO TO TALK ABOUT THIS
11 EXACT TOPIC. SO YOU'RE RIGHT ON THE EDGE OF EXACTLY WHAT A
12 WHOLE COUNTRY IN MEXICO IS DOING TO FIND THESE WOMEN THAT
13 DISAPPEARED. LIKE MY GRANDMOTHER THAT WAS HIDDEN, LUCKILY
14 NOTHING HAPPENED TO HER, BUT WE NEED TO DO THIS.

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

17
18 **JOEY WILLIAMS:** YEAH, HARAGIRINAMA NOOTANAGAN, JOEY WILLIAMS.
19 I'M A MEMBER OF THE KERN VALLEY INDIAN COMMUNITY, BUT A
20 DESCENDANT OF GAPALINO'S. I'M VERY PROUD OF THE YOUTH WHO HAVE
21 THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH THAT PUKUU AND THE CHING POWER
22 FELLOWSHIP AND THEIR BOLD COURAGE OF ME AND THANK YOU
23 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR TAKING THE LEAD ON THIS AND STARTING
24 ONE OF MANY MEETINGS THAT I'M HOPING AS WE HIGHLIGHT THE
25 EPIDEMIC OF MMIP AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY IN UTILIZING THE



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1 RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE, WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO BUILD
2 TRUST WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE CHP TO GO TO
3 ACTIVATE THESE IMPORTANT RESOURCES. BUT I KNOW THAT WE'RE
4 BUILDING ON THE IMPORTANT WORK OF OUR PARTNERS. I WANT TO
5 RECOGNIZE THE INDIGENOUS CIRCLE OF WELLNESS, SO'OH SHINALI
6 SISTER PROJECT, AND OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS FROM THE SAN
7 GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS WHO ARE HERE WITH US TODAY AS
8 WELL. SO I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO, BUT I'M VERY
9 PROUD OF OUR TEACHING POWER FIELD, SHEMA YOUTH, AND TAKING
10 THIS IMPORTANT STEP WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AND I LOOK
11 FORWARD TO CONTINUED MEETINGS, THE 60-DAY REPORT, AND THE ONE-
12 YEAR FOLLOW-UP WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON THIS. THANK
13 YOU.

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

16
17 **DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY:** YEAH, SO I WANT TO JUST SAY BRAVO AGAIN
18 FOR ANOTHER INITIATIVE. WHEN IT COMES TO MISSING INDIGENOUS
19 PEOPLE, THAT'S SOMETHING, AGAIN, ONE WEEK IS NOT ENOUGH. IT
20 SHOULD BE A WHOLE, AT LEAST A MONTH. YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN?
21 IT'S KIND OF INSULTING, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, WE GOT TO START
22 SOMEWHERE. SO A LOT OF MY FAMILY MEMBERS REPRESENT THIS
23 CHUMASH NATION. SO I'M GRATEFUL TO SEE AT LEAST AN INITIATIVE
24 THAT REALLY FOCUSES ON ESPECIALLY THE WOMEN AND THE YOUTH OF
25 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. I MEAN, OF REALLY A LOT OF NATIONS, BUT TO



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1 SEE AN AGENDA THAT'S FOCUSING ON SOLVING THE ISSUE AND REALLY
2 ADVOCATING FOR THEM, I COMMEND YOU AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
3 FOR PUTTING THIS INITIATIVE, BUT LET'S MAKE IT MORE THAN A
4 WEEK. LET'S DO AT LEAST A MONTH, YOU KNOW, BUT KUDOS TO YOU.
5 THANK YOU.

6

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

9

10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 12 IS BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I WILL
13 SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
14 ROLL.

15

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

17

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

19

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

22

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

24

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



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1 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

4

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

6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

9

10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
11 CARRIES, 4-0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 29, ENHANCING SAFETY
12 AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR
13 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS
14 ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE. IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR
15 PRESS STAR 3, IF ON THE TELEPHONE. STEVE BURGER, DEPUTY
16 DIRECTOR, AND JASON MORGAN, CHIEF OF THE AVIATION DIVISION,
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR
18 THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKER, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR
19 THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU'RE
22 RECOGNIZED.

23

24 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. ON APRIL
25 20TH, A PLANE CRASHED JUST OUTSIDE WHITEMAN AIRPORT IN



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1 PACOIMA. A PLANE GOING DOWN IN A COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR NEXT TO
2 NEIGHBORHOODS SHOULD NEVER HAPPEN. AND OUR PACOIMA COMMUNITY
3 DESERVES ANSWERS. PUBLIC SAFETY IN PACOIMA IS NOT NEGOTIABLE,
4 AND I WILL NOT ALLOW THIS MOMENT TO PASS WITHOUT ACTION. THIS
5 MOTION IS ABOUT GETTING ANSWERS BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY IT'S
6 ABOUT ENSURING ACCOUNTABILITY AT EVERY LEVEL FOR WHAT WENT
7 WRONG AND WHAT MUST CHANGE. I'M GRATEFUL TO THE BYSTANDERS WHO
8 STEPPED UP AND FIRST RESPONDERS WHO TOOK ACTION TO HELP
9 PREVENT FURTHER HARM. I'M CALLING ON OUR FEDERAL PARTNERS TO
10 CONDUCT A THOROUGH AND EXPEDITED REVIEW SO WE UNDERSTAND
11 EXACTLY WHAT CAUSED THIS CRASH AND WHAT MUST NOW BE DONE TO
12 PREVENT ANOTHER ONE. THE COMMUNITY DESERVES MORE THAN JUST
13 REASSURANCES. THEY DESERVE CLEAR ANSWERS, TRANSPARENCY, AND
14 CONFIDENCE THAT EVERY POSSIBLE SAFETY MEASURE IS BEING
15 AGGRESSIVELY PURSUED. TO THAT END, I HAVE FORMALLY REQUESTED
16 THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
17 INVESTIGATION AND TO DO SO WITH URGENCY. I HAVE ALSO SENT A
18 LETTER TO THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, WHICH IS
19 LEADING THE INVESTIGATION, DEMANDING TIMELY GUIDANCE ON
20 IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS. THERE ARE
21 MULTIPLE AGENCIES WITH RESPONSIBILITY HERE – THE COUNTY, THE
22 FAA, THE NTSB, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND LADWP. TODAY'S
23 MOTION DEMANDS CLARITY ON WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT BECAUSE
24 ACCOUNTABILITY CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT IT. I'M ALSO DIRECTING THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO IDENTIFY IMMEDIATE ACTIONABLE



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1 STEPS TO ENHANCE SAFETY AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT ALONG WITH CLEAR
2 TIMELINES, COSTS, AND FUNDING STRATEGIES. THIS WORK MUST BUILD
3 ON RECOMMENDATIONS ALREADY PUT FORWARD BY THE COMMUNITY
4 ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND WE MUST MOVE QUICKLY. I WANT TO BE VERY
5 CLEAR. WHILE THE COUNTY OWNS AND MAINTAINS THE AIRPORT,
6 FEDERAL AGENCIES REGULATE THE AIRSPACE AND PILOT ACTIVITY.
7 EVERY ENTITY MUST STEP UP IN ORDER FOR US TO TRULY RESPOND.
8 UNDER MY DIRECTION, THE COUNTY HAS ALREADY TAKEN STEPS TO
9 IMPROVE HEALTH AND SAFETY, INCLUDING TRANSITIONING TO UNLEADED
10 FUEL AND IMPLEMENTING A VOLUNTARY CURFEW FROM 10 P.M. TO 6
11 A.M. BUT CLEARLY MORE MUST BE DONE AND IT MUST BE DONE NOW. SO
12 TO THAT END, CAN YOU PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH AN UPDATE ON WHERE
13 WE ARE IN THIS INCIDENT, ESPECIALLY IN GATHERING THE ANSWERS
14 THAT WE'RE SEEKING.

15
16 **STEVE BURGER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU, CHAIR AND
17 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'D LIKE TO START WITH A BRIEF
18 STATEMENT. DIRECTOR PESTRELLA REGRETS THAT HE'S UNABLE TO BE
19 HERE TODAY. HE IS CURRENTLY IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WHERE HE IS
20 ACTIVELY ENGAGED WITH FEDERAL PARTNERS ON DISASTER RELIEF
21 EFFORTS AND IS MEETING WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION
22 ADMINISTRATION TO DISCUSS ISSUES DIRECTLY RELATED TO WHITEMAN
23 AIRPORT. HE ASKED THAT WE CONVEY HIS COMMITMENT TO KEEPING
24 THIS BOARD FULLY INFORMED AND TO ENSURING THAT SAFETY REMAINS
25 OUR TOP PRIORITY. WITH THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY TO PROVIDE AN



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1 OVERVIEW OF THE RECENT INCIDENT, OUTLINE OUR CURRENT SAFETY
2 POSTURE, AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** GIVEN THAT THERE'S A CURRENT NTSB
5 INVESTIGATION, WE EXPECT THAT TO BE THOROUGH AND MORE
6 DEFINITIVE, BUT BASED ON THE INFORMATION AND CONVERSATIONS
7 YOU'VE ALREADY HAD AS A DEPARTMENT, CAN YOU SHARE ANY MORE
8 FACTS RELATED TO THE CRASH SPECIFICALLY?

9

10 **STEVE BURGER:** YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'M GOING TO TURN IT
11 OVER TO OUR CHIEF OF AIRPORTS, JASON MORGAN, AND HE'LL GIVE A
12 BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE INCIDENT.

13

14 **JASON MORGAN:** THANK YOU, STEVE. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.
15 I'D LIKE TO JUST GIVE YOU, AS STEVE SAID, A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF
16 THE INCIDENT ITSELF AND WHERE IT IS TODAY. SO ON MONDAY, APRIL
17 20TH, AT APPROXIMATELY 11:08 A.M., A SINGLE ENGINE PROPELLER
18 AIRCRAFT, A CESSNA 172, CRASHED OUTSIDE OF THE AIRPORT NEAR
19 SUTTER AVENUE AND VAN NUYS BOULEVARD WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LAND
20 AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT. AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER PERSONNEL
21 AT WHITEMAN AIRPORT CONTACTED 911 AND LAPD AND L.A. FIRE
22 DEPARTMENTS. BOTH RESPONDED AND SECURED THE SCENE. THE
23 AIRCRAFT HIT POWER LINES AND CRASHED INTO THE PARKING LOT
24 ADJACENT TO THE O'REILLY AUTO PARTS STORE, DAMAGING A VEHICLE
25 THAT WAS PARKED IN THAT LOT. FORTUNATELY, NO ONE ON THE GROUND



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1 WAS INJURED. THE PILOT WHO WAS THE SOLE OCCUPANT OF THE
2 AIRCRAFT WAS INJURED. THE PILOT WAS PULLED, AS YOU MENTIONED,
3 SUPERVISOR FROM THE AIRCRAFT BY SEVERAL VERY BRAVE AND CARING
4 BYSTANDERS AND TAKEN BY PARAMEDICS TO A LOCAL HOSPITAL WHERE
5 HE REMAINS TODAY RECOVERING. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE
6 CERTAINLY WITH THE PILOT. AT THAT MOMENT OR DURING THAT PERIOD
7 THE STREETS ADJACENT TO THE CRASH SITE WERE CLOSED TO VEHICLE
8 AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC. CURRENTLY THE CRASH REMAINS UNKNOWN OR
9 THE CAUSE OF THE CRASH REMAINS UNKNOWN. SO BASED ON MY
10 CONVERSATIONS THAT I HAD WITH THE AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL
11 TOWER MANAGER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INCIDENT, THE AIRCRAFT
12 HAD TAKEN OFF FROM THE AIRPORT INTENDING TO FLY THE BASIC
13 TRAFFIC PATTERN AND RETURN TO LAND. THE PILOT THEN TOOK OFF,
14 FLEW THE NORMAL TRAFFIC PATTERN AND WAS IN COMMUNICATION WITH
15 THE AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER PERSONNEL WHILE IN FLIGHT.
16 THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF ANYTHING UNUSUAL OR REPORTS FROM
17 THE PILOT OF ANY DISTRESS OR PROBLEMS. LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT
18 OF WATER AND POWER WAS ABLE TO PARTIALLY RESTORE POWER TO SOME
19 OF THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES THAT EVENING AND THEN TOOK THE
20 FOLLOWING DAY REALLY TO RESTORE POWER TO THE ENTIRE AREA. BOTH
21 THE FAA AND THE NTSB CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THE ACCIDENT. THE
22 NTSB MAY PROVIDE A PRELIMINARY REPORT IN THE COMING WEEKS.
23 HOWEVER, A PRELIMINARY REPORT REALLY IS JUST THE DETAILS THAT
24 WE'RE ALL AWARE OF. THEY USUALLY WILL TAKE AROUND SIX MONTHS
25 OR SO TO COME OUT WITH THEIR, ULTIMATELY WITH THEIR FINAL



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1 REPORT, WHICH SHOULD IDENTIFY REALLY THE PROBABLE CAUSE OR
2 WHAT THEY BELIEVE TO BE THE PROBABLE CAUSE AND ANY SAFETY
3 RECOMMENDATIONS THEY MAY HAVE. SO THAT'S LOOKING LIKE SIX
4 MONTHS OR MORE TO COME OUT WITH THAT. SO THAT'S WHERE IT LAYS
5 RIGHT NOW. IT'S WITH THE NTSB WHO IS INVESTIGATING AND WE'RE
6 COMMUNICATING WITH THEM, PROVIDING THEM INFORMATION THAT WE'RE
7 AWARE OF REGARDING THE INCIDENT AND ANTICIPATING THEIR FINAL
8 REPORT.

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT WE WANT A
11 COMPLETE AND THOROUGH REPORT, BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT EVERY DAY
12 THAT WE WAIT OF THOSE SIX MONTHS OR MORE, PEOPLE WILL HAVE
13 QUESTIONS AND LIVE IN FEAR THAT THE SAME THING COULD POSSIBLY
14 HAPPEN IF WE DON'T RIGHTLY IDENTIFY WHAT TOOK PLACE AND DO
15 SOMETHING TO ADDRESS IT. SO MY OFFICE HAS COMMISSIONED A LAND
16 USE AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY TO LOOK AT VARIOUS SCENARIOS TO
17 INFORM THE DECISION ABOUT THE FUTURE OF WHITEMAN AIRPORT. AND
18 WHILE THIS STUDY IS BEING CONDUCTED, WE PUT A TEMPORARY PAUSE
19 ON FAA GRANT ACCEPTANCE SO AS NOT TO FORESTALL ANY AVAILABLE
20 OPTIONS, IN PART BECAUSE OF COMMUNITY CONCERN ABOUT A
21 PROLONGED FEDERAL RELATIONSHIP. SO WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS AS
22 IT RELATES TO RECEIVING FAA GRANTS?

23

24 **JASON MORGAN:** SO WE RELY ON FEDERAL AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT
25 PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING REALLY TO FUND ABOUT 90% OF ALL OF OUR



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1 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AT THE AIRPORTS AND IN ACCEPTING
2 THOSE AIP GRANTS WE ACCEPT VARIOUS GRANT OBLIGATIONS OR GRANT
3 ASSURANCES AND AMONG THOSE TYPICALLY IS AN OBLIGATION TO KEEP
4 THE AIRPORT OPEN FOR THE LIFE OF THE IMPROVEMENT THAT WAS MADE
5 USING THOSE GRANT FUNDS. SO FOR EXAMPLE, A MAJOR CAPITAL
6 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR PAVEMENT OR SOMETHING TO THAT EFFECT
7 WOULD BE ABOUT A 20-YEAR OBLIGATION TO KEEP THE AIRPORT OPEN.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND HAS THE TEMPORARY PAUSE ON FAA
10 GRANTS IMPACTED SAFETY IN ANY WAY?

11

12 **JASON MORGAN:** NO, IT HAS NOT.

13

14 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** HOW CAN YOU BE SURE OF THAT?

15

16 **JASON MORGAN:** WELL, SO WE ARE INSPECTED EVERY YEAR BY
17 CALTRANS.

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19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WE'RE THE AIRPORTS PERMITTED BY
20 CALTRANS AND INSPECTED ANNUALLY AND SO. WERE THERE ANY ISSUES
21 IDENTIFIED BY THEIR INSPECTION THIS YEAR?

22

23 **JASON MORGAN:** NO, THERE WERE NOT AND WE'RE ALSO INSPECTED OR
24 NOT INSPECTED BUT THERE'S AN ANNUAL FAA RUNWAY SAFETY ACTION
25 TEAM MEETING HELD AT EACH OF THE AIRPORTS INCLUDING WHITEMAN



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1 AIRPORT.

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3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** ANY SAFETY ISSUES IDENTIFIED THROUGH
4 THAT PROCESS?

5

6 **JASON MORGAN:** NO, THERE WERE NONE.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, I KNOW THAT THOSE ARE ISSUES
9 THAT OFTEN GET RAISED AS WELL. AND SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
10 CONTINUE TO TRACK THAT. AND THE FACT THAT NO ISSUES WERE
11 RAISED ALSO IS AN INDICATOR OF WHAT CONDITION THE
12 CIRCUMSTANCES ARE THERE. FINALLY, THE INCIDENT INVOLVED
13 MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS, AS I'VE MENTIONED, FROM FAA TO NTSB AT
14 THE FEDERAL LEVEL. SINCE IT OCCURRED IN THE CITY OF LOS
15 ANGELES, THEIR LAW ENFORCEMENT, LAPD, RESPONDED. A POWER POLE
16 WAS STRUCK, AS YOU IDENTIFIED, AND THAT WOULD BE THE
17 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CITY'S DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER. SO
18 I KNOW ALL OF US HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR OPERATIONS. WE ALSO
19 HAVE HEARD REPORTS OF SOME OF WHAT HAS COME FROM THE RADIO
20 TRANSMISSION FROM THE TOWER. SO CAN YOU SHARE THE ROLES AND
21 RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH OF THESE JURISDICTIONS SO WE REALLY
22 HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING? BECAUSE I KNOW MY OFFICE HAS
23 GOTTEN A LOT OF QUESTIONS. WHY DIDN'T YOU IMMEDIATELY SHUT
24 DOWN THIS AIRPORT AFTER THIS HAPPENED? IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT
25 CAUSED IT, HOW CAN YOU SAFELY GUARANTEE FURTHER OPERATION



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1 WON'T FURTHER HURT OUR COMMUNITY?

2

3 **JASON MORGAN:** YEAH, SURE. THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. SO TO
4 REVIEW JUST THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS THAT YOU'VE MENTIONED
5 ALREADY IN TERMS OF THEIR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR
6 ACCIDENT RESPONSE. THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
7 TYPICALLY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING ANY ACCIDENTS AND THEY
8 REALLY INVESTIGATE EVERY CIVIL AVIATION ACCIDENT IN THE UNITED
9 STATES, DETERMINING PROBABLE CAUSE AND ISSUING SAFETY
10 RECOMMENDATIONS AIMED AT PREVENTING FUTURE ACCIDENTS. SO
11 THAT'S THE NTSB'S ROLE. THE FAA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
12 INVESTIGATING THE SCENE OF AN AVIATION ACCIDENT FOLLOWING A
13 CRASH REALLY TO DETERMINE POTENTIAL CAUSES OF THE ACCIDENT AND
14 THEN TO ENFORCE FAA REGULATIONS. LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS, IN
15 THIS CASE, WE HAD L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT
16 RESPONDING. TYPICALLY, SPECIALIZED AIRCRAFT RESCUE AND FIGHTER
17 FIGHTING CREWS WILL RESPOND AND SERVE AS INITIAL INCIDENT
18 COMMANDER IN CASE OF AIRCRAFT ACCIDENTS, PRIORITIZING LIFE
19 SAFETY, FIRE SUPPRESSION AND OCCUPANT EVACUATION. THE FIRST
20 ARRIVING OFFICER TYPICALLY ESTABLISHES COMMAND AS THEY DID,
21 SECURES THE SCENE FOR THE FEDERAL AGENCIES LIKE THE NTSB AND
22 THE FAA WHEN THEY ARRIVE. PUBLIC WORKS, OUR ROLES IN AN
23 ACCIDENT, PARTICULARLY AN OFF-AIRPORT ACCIDENT, IMMEDIATELY IS
24 TO NOTIFY TO ENSURE THAT 911 IS CONTACTED, THAT POLICE AND
25 FIRE ARE AWARE AND ABLE TO RESPOND TO THE ACCIDENT AND ALSO TO



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1 THE NTSB AND THE FAA. SO WE NOTIFY ALL THOSE PARTIES INVOLVED
2 SO THEY'RE AWARE IMMEDIATELY. AND THEN PROTECTING PEOPLE,
3 LIFE-SAVING OPERATIONS TAKE PRIORITY FOR OUR TEAM, PRESERVING
4 EVIDENCE AND INVESTIGATING. WE TREAT THE AREA AS IF IT WAS A
5 CRIME SCENE, WE PROVIDE SECURITY, IDENTIFY WITNESSES AND
6 GATHER RECORDS OR INCIDENT AND ACCIDENT DETAILS THAT WE KEEP
7 AND THEN WE ALSO PROVIDE TO THE FAA AND THE NTSB. AND THEN
8 RECOVERY OPERATIONS, WE ASSIST THE FAA AND THE NTSB IN THE
9 SITE CLEANUP AND REMOVAL OF THE AIRCRAFT AND ANY OTHER DEBRIS
10 THAT MAY BE IN THE AREA. AND IF APPLICABLE, WE'LL PROVIDE
11 LOCAL BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS WITH CONTACT INFORMATION FOR
12 PUBLIC WORKS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
13 AND TRY TO MAKE, TRY TO ASSIST IN ANY INSURANCE CLAIMS OR ANY
14 QUESTIONS OR NEEDS THAT THE COMMUNITY MAY HAVE.

15
16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY SO I KNOW THAT YOU JUST OUTLINED
17 A VARIETY OF RESPONSIBILITIES. WHEN PEOPLE HEAR THAT THE
18 COUNTY OWNS THIS AIRPORT, THEY EXPECT THAT IT'S OUR
19 RESPONSIBILITY. AND SO I APPRECIATE YOU CLEARLY OUTLINING WHAT
20 ROLE EACH AGENCY PLAYS. IT'S INCREDIBLY UNSATISFYING TO PEOPLE
21 WHO ARE LOOKING FOR ANSWERS WHEN THEY COME TO THE PLACE THAT
22 OWNS THE PROPERTY TO HEAR, WE DON'T DO THAT. AND THAT'S NOT
23 THE RESPONSE THAT THEY'RE GETTING FROM MY OFFICE OR YOUR
24 DEPARTMENT, BUT IT IS A REALITY IN TERMS OF THE PROPOSED
25 ACTION TO IMMEDIATELY SHUT DOWN AIRPORT OPERATIONS. I KNOW



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1 THAT THIS INCIDENT HAS CAUSED FISCAL IMPACT TO THE COUNTY AND
2 TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND LADWP. IT ALSO CAUSES FEAR IN
3 COMMUNITY AND IT CAUSES CONCERN ABOUT FUTURE SAFETY INCIDENTS.
4 AND SO WITHOUT MOVING FORWARD SWIFTLY AND WITHOUT CORRECTIVE
5 ACTION, PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT FEAR. AND IT IS
6 UNACCEPTABLE THAT THIS COMMUNITY LIVES IN THAT WAY WITHOUT A
7 CORRECTIVE ACTION. SO I'M GLAD THAT WE'RE TAKING THIS ACTION
8 TODAY. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR REPORT BACK FOR WHAT STEPS
9 WE CAN IMMEDIATELY TAKE AS THE COUNTY. AND GLAD TO KNOW THAT
10 DIRECTOR PESTRELLA IS IN WASHINGTON DC RIGHT NOW TO BE HAVING
11 THESE CONVERSATIONS AND IF WE DON'T GET ANSWERS WE CAN'T
12 CONTINUE TO ALLOW THIS AIRPORT TO FUNCTION IN THIS WAY BECAUSE
13 IT WILL BE CONCERNED FOR A COMMUNITY AND I JUST WANT TO STATE
14 THAT HERE BECAUSE I KNOW WE'RE ALL COMMITTED TO PROTECTING THE
15 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS FOR MY
18 COLLEAGUES ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE THEN LET'S GO TO PUBLIC
19 COMMENT.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON
22 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. WE WILL GO
23 TO A REMOTE CALLER. YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE BEGIN.

24
25 **MATTHEW STONE:** GOOD EVENING, OR GOOD AFTERNOON, CAN YOU HEAR



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1 ME?

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

4

5 **MATTHEW STONE:** OKAY, MY NAME IS MATTHEW STONE, AND TO COMMENT
6 ON ITEM 29, I WANT TO TELL THE SUPERVISOR THAT IT IS IMPORTANT
7 TO REJECT THIS FLAWED ITEM TODAY. THERE IS NO REASON TO WASTE
8 TIME WITH MORE RELIANCE ON THE BOTCHED COMMUNITY ADVISORY
9 COMMITTEE THAT DIDN'T REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY OR HONOR ITS
10 WILL. PEOPLE WANT SAFETY MEASURES AND PILOTS ARE AMONG THEM.
11 BUT THE SOLUTION TO THAT IS TO IMPROVE SAFETY BY ACCEPTING THE
12 FUNDS THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH HAS NEEDLESSLY BLOCKED FOR MANY
13 YEARS AND FOR NO REASON. BECAUSE ACCEPTING THE GRANT FUNDS
14 WILL NOT CHANGE THE OPERATIONAL REALITIES, BUT WHITE HOUSE THE
15 FAA HAS ALREADY CONFIRMED THAT L.A. COUNTY IS OBLIGATED TO
16 OPERATE WHITEMAN IN PERPETUITY. ACCEPTING NEW GRANT MONIES
17 WILL NOT CHANGE THAT REALITY. SO THERE IS NO REASON FOR
18 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S DIRECTIVE, WHICH DID NOT COME BEFORE THE
19 PUBLIC AND WAS NOT PUT INTO WRITING, BY THE WAY. THERE'S NO
20 REASON TO ALLOW THAT FUNDING FOR YOU.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
23 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, AND THAT CONCLUDES
24 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

25



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1 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 29 IS BEFORE YOU.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH SECONDED
4 BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
5 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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7 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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

13

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

15

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

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

25



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1 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
2 CARRIES, 4 TO 0. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO THE PRESENTATION OF
3 THE BOARD'S RECORD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 25/26, WHICH WAS HELD
4 BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
5 REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND
6 FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE.
7 DR. LISA WONG, DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH, WILL MAKE A
8 PRESENTATION FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKER. FOR THE
9 DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKER, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE
10 RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU
13 HELD THE ITEM.

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. I DON'T NEED THE
16 PRESENTATION UNLESS MY COLLEAGUES DO. I CAN JUST JUMP INTO A
17 COUPLE OF OBSERVATIONS AND POSSIBLY QUESTIONS THAT WE HAVE AS
18 A RESULT, UNLESS I'M MISUNDERSTANDING SOMETHING. IT'S MY
19 UNDERSTANDING THAT DMH HAS HAD A MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
20 ADMINISTRATION UNSPENT BALANCE OF ABOUT \$1,000,000,000 OVER
21 THE LAST FEW YEARS. AFTER THE APPROVAL OF THE MHSA MID-YEAR
22 ADJUSTMENTS, DMH IS PROJECTING AN ESTIMATED UNSPENT BALANCE OF
23 \$900,000,000 AT THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR. AND AT A TIME
24 WHEN THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS ARE STRUGGLING WITH SERIOUS MENTAL
25 ILLNESS, HOMELESSNESS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. EVERY



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1 AVAILABLE DOLLAR NEEDS TO BE DIRECTED TOWARDS COMMUNITY
2 SUPPORT. AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE HAD THIS CONVERSATION ABOUT THE
3 URGENT NEED THAT WE'RE FEELING AND WITNESSING IN OUR
4 COMMUNITIES. LARGE FUND BALANCES RAISE CONCERNS ABOUT WHETHER
5 RESOURCES ARE BEING MANAGED EFFECTIVELY AND ARE BEING DIRECTLY
6 INVESTED IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SO IN THE SPIRIT OF TRANSPARENCY
7 AND HOPEFULLY ACTION, I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE FULLY
8 UNDERSTAND WHY SUCH A BIG BALANCE, GIVEN THE LEVEL OF UNMET
9 NEEDS TODAY, WHAT IS THE JUSTIFICATION FOR MAINTAINING THE
10 CURRENT UNSPENT BALANCE RATHER THAN ACCELERATING INVESTMENTS
11 IN SERVICES?

12
13 **DR. LISA WONG:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR, AND
14 THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. WE ALWAYS WELCOME AN
15 OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH YOU ALL AND SHARE WITH THE PUBLIC
16 MORE ABOUT OUR EXTREMELY SPECIAL FUNDING THAT WE HAVE FOR
17 MENTAL HEALTH AND ESPECIALLY BHSA. WOULD YOU RATHER ME DO IT
18 WITHOUT THE SLIDES BECAUSE THERE ARE A COUPLE OF SLIDES IN
19 THERE THAT ARE, I THINK, ESPECIALLY --

20
21 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I DON'T MIND SEEING THEM. I JUST, I
22 DIDN'T NEED A FULL PRESENTATION. BUT I'M HAPPY TO BE
23 DIRECTING.

24
25 **DR. LISA WONG:** OH, OKAY. CAN WE GO AHEAD AND BRING UP THE



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1 SLIDES, PLEASE? SO, NEXT SLIDE. THE FIRST SLIDE KIND OF
2 EXPLAINS HOW OUR UNSPENT MHSA FUNDS FALL INTO THREE BASIC
3 CATEGORIES AND THEY ARE SORT OF VERY SEPARATE CATEGORIES. SO
4 ONE CATEGORY IS FUNDS THAT ARE UNSPENT, BUT THEY DON'T HAVE
5 REVERSION, AND THEY ARE ASSIGNED TO FUTURE PROJECTS FOR SPEND
6 DOWN. SO WE HAVE MANY MULTI-YEAR PROJECTS, AND WHEN WE'RE IN
7 THE FIRST YEAR, FOR INSTANCE, THE NEXT FOUR YEARS GET
8 ALLOCATED TO UNSPENT, EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE ALREADY ALLOCATED.
9 SO THEY'RE NOT TRULY UNSPENT DOLLARS, IT'S JUST UNSPENT AS OF
10 TODAY. SO OF THAT MONEY, WE HAVE THE PRUDENT RESERVE, WHICH IS
11 REQUIRED. WE HAVE WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING, CAPITAL
12 FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY, AND THE WET AND CFTN HAVE A 10-YEAR
13 REVERSION TIMELINE. SO I WANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT EVEN THOUGH
14 WE HAVE THESE UNSPENT DOLLARS, WE HAVE NEVER HAD TO REVERT ANY
15 DOLLARS BECAUSE WE ALWAYS SPEND IT DOWN BEFORE THE THREE-YEAR
16 TIMELINE. WHAT HAPPENS THOUGH IS THERE ARE ALWAYS NEW DOLLARS
17 COMING IN SO THAT KEEPS ADDING TO IT. BUT THIS WHOLE CATEGORY
18 ARE THINGS THAT ARE ALREADY COMMITTED. NOW THE NEXT CATEGORY
19 IS FUNDS THAT ARE ENCUMBERED BY APPROVED INNOVATIONS PROJECTS.
20 SO APPROVED PROJECTS INCLUDE LIKE HOLLYWOOD 2.0, CHILDREN'S
21 COMMUNITY CARE VILLAGE, INTERIM HOUSING OUTREACH PROGRAM, OUR
22 IHOP PROGRAM, OUR PIVOT PROGRAM, WHICH IS PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS
23 FOR VALUED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT, AND ALL FORMER MHSA
24 INNOVATION FUNDS CAN BE USED THROUGH JUNE 30, 2029. SO THESE
25 ARE ALREADY PLANNED COMMITTED DOLLARS. THE THIRD CATEGORY IS



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1 FUNDS THAT ARE UNSPENT AND ASSIGNED TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
2 SERVICES ACT COMPONENTS. SO THESE ARE COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
3 SUPPORTS, PREVENTION, EARLY INTERVENTION, AND THESE FUNDS
4 RETAIN THEIR ORIGINAL REVERSION TIMELINES. SO WE WOULD HAVE TO
5 USE THEM UP IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS. BUT THIS IS WHAT'S GOING TO
6 HELP COVER OUR SERVICES THAT ARE LEFT UNFUNDED BECAUSE WE
7 MOVED SO MUCH MONEY OVER TO HOUSING ONLY. OKAY, NEXT SLIDE
8 PLEASE. OKAY, THIS IS A VERY DETAILED TABLE, WHICH I WON'T GO
9 THROUGH, BUT YOU CAN REFER BACK TO IF YOU'RE INTERESTED ABOUT
10 WHAT TRANSFERS TO BHSA AS OF JULY 2026. AND FOR THOSE WHO MAY
11 NOT KNOW, JULY 2026 IS WHEN WE IMPLEMENT PROP 1, BHSA
12 TRANSFORMATION, AND WE HAVE A WHOLE DIFFERENT ALLOCATION OF
13 OUR MHSA DOLLARS. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO WITH OUR UNSPENT CSS
14 DOLLARS OR COMMUNITY SERVICES DOLLARS AND THEN OUR UNSPENT
15 PEI, WE HAVE TO NOW COMBINE THEM TOGETHER AND THEY GET
16 REALLOCATED ACCORDING TO THE NEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES
17 ACT ALLOCATION CATEGORIES. SO \$770,000,000 OR 85% ARE GOING TO
18 GO TO BHSS, WHICH ARE THE BASIC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES.
19 AND THEN ANOTHER 15% ARE GOING TO GO TO FSP. NEXT SLIDE,
20 PLEASE. SO THIS SLIDE GIVES YOU A VISUAL OF WHAT HAPPENS TO
21 THOSE DOLLARS AND THE ALLOCATIONS. SO 30% OF COURSE, RIGHT OFF
22 THE TOP, GOES TO HOUSING. THEN WE HAVE 35% WHICH IS GOING TO
23 GO TO OUR ARRAY OF FULL-SERVICE PARTNERSHIPS, INCLUDING
24 FORENSIC SERVICES AND OUR LOWER LEVEL FSP. AND THEN 35% GOES
25 TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. THAT 35% IS SPLIT



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1 INTO 17.5% WHICH GOES TO ADULT OUTPATIENT, AND THEN ANOTHER
2 17.5% WHICH GOES TO EARLY INTERVENTION. HALF OF THAT HAS TO GO
3 SPECIFICALLY TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH. AND WHAT THIS MEANS IS
4 THAT 17 1/2% OF BHSA IS GOING TO HAVE TO COVER ALL OF OUR
5 OUTPATIENT SERVICES PLUS OTHER CATEGORIES, WHEREAS LAST YEAR,
6 WE SPENT ABOUT 32% ON OUTPATIENT. SO THERE'S GOING TO BE A
7 VERY LARGE DEFICIT THERE. SO THAT IS WHERE A LOT OF OUR
8 UNSPENT DOLLARS ARE GOING TO BE MOVING AFTER BHSA
9 IMPLEMENTATION. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. THIS WILL GIVE YOU AN IDEA
10 OF WHAT HAPPENS WITH THOSE UNSPENT DOLLARS THAT WE HAVE. SO IN
11 YEAR ONE, WE HAVE 315,886 THAT ARE BUDGETED TO SPEND. THIS IS
12 WHAT WE EXPECT AS OUR BHSA FUNDS COMING IN, YOU KNOW, ALL THE
13 PROGRAMS THAT WE'VE BUDGETED ACCORDING TO THAT. BUT BECAUSE WE
14 HAVE SUCH A SHORTFALL FOR SO MANY OF OUR PROGRAMS, LIKE FOR
15 INSTANCE, IF YOU LOOK AT OUR DIRECTLY OPERATED PROGRAMS, OVER
16 90% OF THAT IS FOR OUTPATIENT SERVICES. SO WE'RE GOING TO DRAW
17 \$485,000,000 FROM THE UNSPENT DOLLARS TO COMBINE WITH THAT TO
18 COVER THE \$800,000,000 THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED IN YEAR ONE.
19 THEN YEAR TWO, WE PROJECT THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE NEEDING
20 \$594,000,000. SO IT'LL BE 309 FROM WHAT WE'RE EXPECTING FROM
21 BHSA, BUT WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO TAKE THE REMAINING 285 FROM
22 UNSPENT. IN YEAR THREE, WE WILL HAVE NO MORE CARRYOVER. WE
23 WILL HAVE NO MORE UNSPENT DOLLARS THAT WE CAN DRAW FROM TO
24 COVER OUR EXPENDITURES THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED FOR LIKE
25 OUTPATIENT SERVICES AND OTHER THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO BE LEFT



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1 OUT OF BHSA.

2

3 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** BUT YOU'VE ALSO SAID THAT AS WE GET
4 NEW MONEY IN THIS THREE-YEAR CYCLE STARTS OVER SO THERE'S
5 NEVER GOING TO EVEN THOUGH THIS SUGGESTS THAT AT SOME POINT
6 THAT'S WHEN WE RUN OUT WE'RE STILL GETTING NEW FUNDING SO IT
7 WILL NEVER BE.

8

9 **DR. LISA WONG:** WELL IT JUST DEPENDS. SEE THAT BLUE CATEGORY IS
10 THE FUNDING THAT WE'RE EXPECTING TO GET. BUT WHAT HAPPENS WITH
11 BHSA IS IT'S SUCH A VOLATILE FUND THAT WE MIGHT GET MORE THAN
12 THAT. SO IF WE GET MORE THAN THAT, THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO
13 UNSPENT DOLLARS. BUT IF WE GET LESS THAN THAT, THEN WE'RE
14 GOING TO BE IN THE RED.

15

16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO TELL ME WHAT PEOPLE SHOULD EXPECT
17 TO SEE IN THE NEXT THREE TO SIX MONTHS THAT THEY DON'T
18 CURRENTLY SEE TODAY WITH THIS FUNDING.

19

20 **DR. LISA WONG:** IN THE NEXT THREE TO SIX MONTHS, WHAT THEY'RE
21 GOING TO SEE IS A VERY, VERY LARGE INVESTMENT IN FULL-SERVICE
22 PARTNERSHIP, OUR HIGHEST LEVEL OF OUTPATIENT SERVICES. AND WHY
23 THAT'S IMPORTANT TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION IS I THINK IT
24 REALLY HELPS BETTER MEET THE NEEDS, INCLUDING ALL OF OUR
25 PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED, IT BETTER MEETS THE NEEDS AT THAT



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1 LEVEL OF ACUITY. MUCH LOWER CASELOADS, MUCH MORE FACE-TO-FACE
2 CONTACT, A LOT OF HAND-HOLDING INTERVENTION.

3
4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO MORE PEOPLE WILL BE COMING INTO
5 FSP CARE?

6
7 **DR. LISA WONG:** MANY MORE PEOPLE. IT'LL BE ABOUT DOUBLE. OKAY.
8 AND THEN WE CAN'T THOUGH AT THE SAME TIME DECREASE OUTPATIENT
9 BECAUSE WE ARE ANTICIPATING THAT THE IMPACTS FROM WHAT'S GOING
10 ON AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL ARE GOING TO CREATE MORE DEMAND FOR
11 OUTPATIENT SERVICES.

12
13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND HOW IS COMMUNITY INPUT BEING
14 CONSIDERED TO PRIORITIZE YOUR SPENDING DECISIONS? BECAUSE
15 WE'RE HEARING FROM OUR CITY PARTNERS THAT THEY HAVE VERY
16 DIFFICULT, A VERY DIFFICULT TIME ACCESSING THIS KIND OF
17 INFORMATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR INPUT WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

18
19 **DR. LISA WONG:** THE STATE HAS A VERY PRESCRIPTIVE APPROACH TO
20 GETTING COMMUNITY FEEDBACK. THERE'S A TEMPLATE THAT WE HAVE TO
21 USE FOR ALL BHSA EXPENDITURE. AND KALENE CAN TELL YOU A LITTLE
22 BIT MORE ABOUT ALL OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THAT WE'VE HAD
23 TO DO TO HAVE STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS AND GET THE COMMUNITY
24 FEEDBACK AND WHAT KIND OF PROCESS THAT IS.



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1 **KALENE GILBERT:** YEAH, SO WE'VE BEEN HOLDING STAKEHOLDER
2 MEETINGS SINCE I BELIEVE ABOUT JULY OR OF LAST YEAR. SO WE'VE,
3 AND WE HAVE BEEN MEETING WITH A VARIETY OF FOLKS AND WHICH
4 INCLUDES THE FIVE LARGEST CITIES, INVITATIONS HAVE GONE OUT.
5 WE'VE DONE OUR BEST TO OUTREACH TO FOLKS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
6 STAKEHOLDER APPROACH.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SPECIFICALLY WHAT HAPPENS? LIKE THEY
9 GET AN INVITATION TO A ZOOM, IT'S A PHYSICAL MEETING ON A
10 SPECIFIC DAY.

11

12 **KALENE GILBERT:** YEAH, WE'VE HAD TWICE MONTHLY MEETINGS. ONE IS
13 IN PERSON, WELL ACTUALLY ONE IS HYBRID, IN PERSON AND ONLINE.
14 AND THEN WE'VE HAD A SECOND ONE THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN HYBRID. WE
15 HAD FOLKS-

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND WHO GETS INVITED? IS IT STAFF? IS
18 IT ELECTED LEADERS? IS IT SERVICE PROVIDERS?

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20 **KALENE GILBERT:** WE HAVE A CONTACT LIST OF OVER 1000 THAT FOLKS
21 ARE ADDED ONTO. IT INCLUDES CLIENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS,
22 SERVICE PARTNERS, OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, SUBSTANCE USE
23 PROVIDERS, MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS. SO WE HAVE REACHED OUT
24 VERY BROADLY.

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THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **DR. LISA WONG:** AND CITY LEADERSHIP.

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3 **KALENE GILBERT:** CITY LEADERSHIP, SCHOOLS, FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

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5 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO IF WE WANTED TO ADD TO THAT LIST,
6 WE COULD?

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8 **KALENE GILBERT:** ABSOLUTELY. WE WILL COMMIT.

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10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND MY LAST QUESTION IS WHAT METRICS
11 ARE YOU USING TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE FUNDS ARE BEING DEPLOYED
12 FASTER AND MORE EFFECTIVELY?

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14 **KALENE GILBERT:** SO WE ARE, I THINK WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW
15 IS LOOKING AT THE NEW CATEGORIES OF FUNDING AND WE'RE SHIFTING
16 RIGHT NOW WITH OUR PROVIDERS, YOU KNOW, BETWEEN THE OUTPATIENT
17 AND THE FSP. SO WE'RE WORKING MUCH MORE CLOSELY, DEVELOPING
18 MUCH CLEARER MONITORING. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE IS
19 WE'VE WRITTEN A LOT OF OUR CONTRACT LANGUAGE TO MAKE SURE THAT
20 WE'RE MONITORING MUCH MORE CLOSELY AND WORKING MORE CLOSELY
21 WITH OUR PROVIDERS AROUND TRAINING OUTREACH SO THAT WE'RE ABLE
22 TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE GETTING THE SERVICES OUT ONTO THE
23 STREETS. SO IT'S REALLY A LOT OF INCREASE IN MONITORING
24 SUPPORT, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **DR. LISA WONG:** AND ALSO THE THINGS THAT ARE WRITTEN INTO THE
2 CONTRACT. FOR INSTANCE, THERE ARE VERY SPECIFIC PROGRAM
3 EXHIBITS THAT SPELL OUT EXACTLY WHAT IS REQUIRED FOR EACH
4 PROGRAM AND HOW THAT WILL BE TRACKED AND MONITORED. I THINK
5 THAT ONE OF THE THINGS WE'VE EMPHASIZED WITH BOTH OUR LEGAL
6 ENTITIES AS WELL AS OUR DIRECTLY OPERATED AND WE'VE TRIED TO,
7 YOU KNOW, GET THE INFORMATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC IS THIS IS
8 GOING TO BE A YEAR OF TRANSITION. WE DON'T EXPECT EVERYBODY TO
9 BE ABLE TO BE DOING ALL THESE NEW PROGRAMS ON DAY ONE, BUT WE
10 EXPECT TO SEE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS AS EACH QUARTER PROGRESSES.
11 WE'RE PUTTING ALSO A LOT OF INVESTMENT BEHIND TRAINING,
12 TRAINING FOR WORKFORCE AS WELL AS TRAINING IN WHAT THE STATE
13 IS REQUIRING TO MEET THE DEMANDS FOR BHSA AND WE THINK ALL OF
14 THAT COMBINED WILL HELP THE UTILIZATION GO MUCH MORE SMOOTHLY.
15 AND PART OF THIS IS WE HAVE TO, BECAUSE IT'S GOTTEN EVEN MORE
16 CATEGORICAL. I MEAN, WHILE WE'VE BEEN VERY, VERY THANKFUL FOR
17 THE DOLLARS THAT WE'VE RECEIVED FOR LIKE ALL OF YOU, PROJECT,
18 OUR METRO STATE HOSPITAL PROJECT, ALL THOSE THINGS THROUGH
19 PROP 1. IT'S LIKE WHAT WE TELL PEOPLE IN THERAPY, WITH EVERY
20 DECISION THERE'S A LOSS. AND UNFORTUNATELY THAT LOSS IS THAT A
21 LOT OF THESE DOLLARS, YOU KNOW, HOUSING DOLLARS ARE TAKEN OUT
22 OF SERVICE DOLLARS. SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO A LOT OF
23 SHIFTING AND STRATEGIZING TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE SERVICES
24 ARE COVERED WHILE WE ALSO BUILD ON OUR HOUSING CAPACITY.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WE JUST HAD A CONVERSATION EARLIER
2 ABOUT THE TRANSITION FROM LAHSA TO OUR NEW HSH DEPARTMENT. SO
3 I FULLY APPRECIATE THAT WHEN TRANSITION HAPPENS, THINGS COME
4 UP THAT YOU HAVE TO DEAL WITH. AND THIS TRANSITION TO BE HSA
5 WAS DIRECTED BY THE VOTERS IN PROP 1. SO I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU
6 HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THOSE DIRECTIVES, BUT WHEN YOU SAY THINGS
7 LIKE THEY'RE GOING TO BE DEPLOYED FASTER AND MORE EFFECTIVELY,
8 WE JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW. AND I THINK WE CONSISTENTLY
9 HEAR FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS A NEED FOR INCREASED PRESENCE ON
10 OUR STREETS, INCREASED AVAILABILITY FOR MENTAL HEALTH BEDS.
11 AND WE'VE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT INCREASED COORDINATION OF YOUR
12 DEPARTMENT WITH THE NEW DEPARTMENT. SO THAT WAY THOSE SERVICES
13 ARE MEETING, ESPECIALLY OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION, BUT EVERYONE
14 WHO HAS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH I
15 KNOW YOU'RE ALSO WORKING ON IN YOUR DEPARTMENT. SO THANK YOU
16 FOR SURFACING THIS. WE GET A LOT OF TOUGH QUESTIONS, AND I
17 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND HOW IT WORKS, BECAUSE
18 IT MIGHT NOT BE HOW WE INTUITIVELY THINK ABOUT SPENDING DOWN
19 THESE DOLLARS. THANKS.

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21 **DR. LISA WONG:** THANK YOU.

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

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25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 MAKE SURE I WAS FOLLOWING YOUR CHART WITH THE THREE COLUMNS.
2 THE FIRST COLUMN, YOU'RE SAYING THAT THAT'S NOT TECHNICALLY
3 ENCUMBERED. IT'S COMMITTED BUT NOT ENCUMBERED?

4

5 **DR. LISA WONG:** THIS IS WHAT WE'VE BUDGETED FOR.

6

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

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9 **DR. LISA WONG:** YES, YEAH.

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11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SECOND AND THIRD, SECOND COLUMN IS
12 ENCUMBERED?

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14 **DR. LISA WONG:** YES.

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16 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, GREAT. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE.
17 AND SO FOR COLUMNS 1 AND 2, WOULD YOU SAY THAT IT'S A TIMING
18 ISSUE REGARDING YOUR CASH FLOW?

19

20 **DR. LISA WONG:** IT IS, AND WITH BHSA LIKE MHSA, IT'S ALWAYS A
21 TIMING ISSUE BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW GENERALLY WHAT WE'RE GOING
22 TO GET. WE HAVE GONE AS LOW AS I THINK \$450,000,000.

23

24 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WHICH IS MADDENING.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **DR. LISA WONG:** YES, AND AS HIGH AS \$1,000,000,000.

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3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I GET IT.

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5 **DR. LISA WONG:** AND YOU GET IT, YOU GET THE INFORMATION MONTH
6 BY MONTH.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** RIGHT, YEAH, I GET IT. SO WHEN WE TALK
9 ABOUT CASH FLOW, THIS IS SORT OF A GOOD CASH FLOW ISSUE. IT'S
10 NOT THAT YOU'RE RUNNING A DEFICIT TRYING TO FIGURE IT OUT.
11 OKAY. LAST QUESTION FOR ME ON THE CHART. I'M SORRY. MY COPIES
12 AREN'T NUMBERED. THE CHART WITH THE PIE CHART, HOW WILL THE
13 CHANGES OF BHSA INFORM ALLOCATION OF THE UNSPENT FUNDS? IS
14 THERE ANY KIND OF NEEDS-BASED ANALYSIS THAT YOU DO TO EVEN
15 PRIORITIZE WITHIN EACH PIE SLICE? IF YOU FOLLOW ME.

16

17 **DR. LISA WONG:** YES, WE HAVE DONE AN ANALYSIS ON THAT. FIRST OF
18 ALL, WE GET THE FEEDBACK FROM ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY MEETINGS.
19 AND I DON'T KNOW, HOW MANY HAVE WE HAD NOW? OVER 40. YEAH,
20 OVER 40 VARIOUS LARGE SCALE COMMUNITY MEETINGS. SO WE HAVE
21 THAT FEEDBACK, BUT WE ALSO HAVE THE FEEDBACK FROM THE DATA
22 THAT WE'VE GATHERED ON THE SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED AND THE
23 IMPACTS THAT THOSE HAVE. AND THEN OF COURSE WE HAVE THE TRENDS
24 THAT WE SEE, LIKE WE WATCH OUR HOMELESSNESS NUMBERS AND WE SEE
25 HOW MUCH NEED THERE IS ON THE STREETS AND WE ALSO APPLY OUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY EQUITY TOOL AS WELL.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WOW, A LOT OF INTERESTING AND
6 CHALLENGING MOVEMENTS HERE. AND I THINK BACK WHEN YOU KNOW,
7 YOUR PREDECESSOR WAS SERVING, WE ALSO HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT THE
8 FUND BALANCE. SO I KNOW THAT IT'S ABOUT UNDERSTANDING HOW THE
9 FORMULA, FORMULAS WORK AND THE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF FUNDING
10 AND IT'S COMPLICATED AND NOW IT JUST GOT MORE COMPLICATED
11 BECAUSE PROP 1 AND THE SHIFTS I WANTED TO ASK YOU HOW THE FUND
12 BALANCE WILL SUPPORT THE TRANSITION TO BHSA UNDER PROP 1 IF
13 YOU COULD YOU KNOW INCLUDING ADDITIONAL OUTPATIENT SERVICES
14 AND SERVICES FOR THE MANY BEDS IN DEVELOPMENT?

15

16 **DR. LISA WONG:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. THAT
17 IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST EXPENDITURES THAT WE ANTICIPATE FOR OUR
18 FUND BALANCE IS WE ARE INTENDING TO USE THAT TO HOLD UP THE
19 REST OF OUR SYSTEM IN THIS TRANSITION. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
20 WORRIES ME, IF WE CAN, WE GO BACK TO THE SLIDE WITH THE BAR
21 CHART, PLEASE, WITH THE GREEN AND BLUE BAR CHART. ONE OF THE
22 THINGS THAT WORRIES ME IS THAT AFTER YEAR TWO AND YEAR THREE
23 WE WILL HAVE NO MORE M-H- POTENTIALLY NO MORE MHSA CARRYOVER
24 AFTER YEAR TWO. SO WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO START USING OTHER
25 SOURCES LIKE REALIGNMENT DOLLARS. AND REALIGNMENT DOLLARS ARE



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHAT WE USE FOR OUR HIGHEST ACUITY SERVICE, LIKE BUILDING OUT
2 OUR BED NETWORK. SO, YOU KNOW, WE ARE GOOD. I'VE TOLD OUR
3 ENTIRE NETWORK THIS. WE ARE GOOD FOR THE NEXT PROBABLY COUPLE
4 YEARS. BUT BY YEAR THREE, IT'S GOING TO BE A STRUGGLE FOR US
5 TO FUND ALL THE SERVICES THAT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE
6 RESIDENTS OF OUR COUNTY. AND ONE OF THE BIG CONCERNS TOO IS
7 THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR THE FACT THAT THE
8 IMPACTS WITH THE IMPACTS OF H.R.-1, WE ANTICIPATE THAT A LOT
9 OF PEOPLE WILL FALL OUT OF BENEFITS AND A LOT OF OUR MILD TO
10 MODERATE NOW WILL THEN BECOME, YOU KNOW, SPECIALTY MENTAL
11 HEALTH AND THEN ALL OF OUR PEOPLE WITH, WHO HAVE BEEN DEEMED
12 UNSATISFACTORY IMMIGRATION STATUS, LIKE WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM,
13 YOU KNOW? SO WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A LOT MORE EXPENDITURES THAT
14 ARE COMING OUR WAY WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF HAVING THAT FUND
15 BALANCE, AND WITH A REDUCED AMOUNT OF RESERVE FUNDS THAT ARE
16 ALLOWABLE NOW UNDER BHSA?

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH, AND THAT, I GUESS THAT'S THE
19 COMPLICATED PART THAT IS UNKNOWN TOO, BECAUSE WE'RE HAVING
20 CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP AT THE STATE LEVEL VERY SHORTLY AS WELL.
21 AND LORD KNOWS HOW THAT'S GOING TO TURN OUT. IF PEOPLE ARE
22 GOING TO BE. HEY, IT'S PRAYER DAY, RIGHT? YOU KNOW, I'VE
23 ALWAYS BEEN VERY INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING THE HEALTH
24 NAVIGATORS OF PROMITORAS AND I'M WONDERING WITH PREVENTION
25 FUNDING MOVING TO THE STATE, HOW CAN YOU CONTINUE TO USE BHSA



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SUPERVISORS

1 FUNDING TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS LIKE THAT THAT HAVE BEEN SO
2 ESSENTIAL LONG BEFORE COVID AND WE KNOW HOW EFFECTIVE AND COST
3 SAVING THEY ARE.

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5 **DR. LISA WONG:** I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU SUPERVISOR AND YOU
6 KNOW ALL OF OUR NAVIGATORS IN THAT REALM ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY
7 HEALTH WORKERS ARE ESPECIALLY OUR PROMOTERS AND OUR MENTAL
8 HEALTH PROMOTERS WE HOLD THEM YOU KNOW AS BEING VERY HIGH
9 VALUE IN OUR DEPARTMENT. MANY TIMES THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO
10 CAN ACTUALLY TALK TO OUR CLIENTS. THEY'RE THE ONES WHO CAN
11 REACH THEM BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN THROUGH THINGS THEY'VE BEEN
12 THROUGH. THEY LIVE IN THE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY LIVE. SO WE
13 HAVE TRIED VERY HARD TO THINK OF A WAY TO OFFSET THE LOSS OF
14 THOSE FUNDS THAT GO UP TO THE STATE NOW. AND I THINK THAT WE
15 HAVE A VERY GOOD SOLUTION NOW. YOU KNOW, ANYBODY WHO'S WORKED
16 WITH ME IN SKID ROW KNOWS THAT IF THERE IS A DOLLAR TO FIND
17 UNDER A ROCK, I WILL FIND IT. SO NOW WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH
18 SOMEBODY WE'RE CONTRACTING WITH AS A CONSULTANT TO BE ABLE TO
19 SHIFT THAT NOW TO MA DOLLARS, WHICH IS THE MEDICAID
20 ADMINISTRATIVE DOLLARS THAT WE CAN DRAW DOWN ON AND WE BELIEVE
21 THAT WE CAN COVER OUR ENTIRE PROMOTORAS PROGRAM WITH THOSE
22 DOLLARS. SO WE'RE VERY HAPPY TO SAY THAT WE WILL NOT BE
23 REDUCING THAT PROGRAM.

24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT, THANK YOU. SEEING NO FURTHER



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SUPERVISORS

1 QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD, THEN EO, LET'S GO TO CALLERS. WILL
2 THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL
3 ASSIST YOU. DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY AND HECTOR RAMIREZ. CALLER
4 ANI BOYAJIAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

5
6 **ANI BOYAJIAN:** ANI BOYAJIAN WITH CENTRAL CITY ASSOCIATION
7 SPEAKING ON ITEM 50. IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES ALONE, IN LESS
8 THAN ONE MONTH, WE SAW TWO HEINOUS ATTACKS. ONE ELDERLY WOMAN
9 WAS STABBED IN THE NECK DURING A MORNING WALK AND ANOTHER
10 ELDERLY MAN STABBED AND LITERALLY SET ON FIRE WHO LATER
11 PASSED. THESE ARE NOT ISOLATED TRAGEDIES. THEY REFLECT THE
12 REAL HUMAN COST OF UNMET MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AND A SYSTEM THAT
13 IS NOT RESPONDING WITH SUFFICIENT URGENCY. PEOPLE ARE DYING.
14 THE \$875,000,000 THAT REMAINS UNSPENT KEEP THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET REPRESENTS TREATMENT BEDS NOT OPEN AND
16 OUTREACH TEAMS NOT DEPLOYED AND VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS LEFT
17 WITHOUT CARE UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE. WE CANNOT IGNORE THE REALITY
18 THAT DELAYS IN ACTION HAVE CONSEQUENCES MEASURED IN INNOCENT
19 HUMAN LIVES. THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE AMONG MANY WHO SHOULD NOT
20 BE FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS. WE CAN NOT CONTINUE TO SIT ON
21 RESOURCES THAT CAN QUITE LITERALLY SAVE LIVES. WE ENCOURAGE
22 THE COUNTY TO IMMEDIATELY DEPLOY THESE FUNDS AND KEEP THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH ACCOUNTABLE SO THAT RESOURCES CAN
24 - -



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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
2 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
3 ITEM 50 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKER.
4 PLEASE BEGIN.

5
6 **HECTOR RAMIREZ:** HELLO, BUENAS TARDES. MY NAME IS HECTOR
7 RAMIREZ. I'M A FORMER CLIENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
8 HEALTH FOR THE PAST 26 YEARS, AND I AM ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS
9 FOR THE ACCESS FOR ALL UACC, WHICH REPRESENTS PEOPLE WITH
10 DISABILITIES, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE ONE QUARTER MILLION PEOPLE
11 THAT RECEIVE SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. I
12 AM PUZZLED BY THE PRESENTATION, GIVEN THE FACT THAT OUR
13 CONSUMERS OR STAKEHOLDERS WITH DISABILITIES HAVE BEEN UNABLE
14 TO PARTICIPATE, PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND EVEN RETALIATED
15 AGAINST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH STAFF WHEN TRYING
16 TO ASK FOR ACCOMMODATION. THIS GOES PARTICULARLY FOR DEAF AND
17 HARD OF HEARING FOLKS, OUR FOLKS FROM REGIONAL CENTER, WHO
18 WHEN WE REPORTED, OUR STAFF ACTUALLY REFERRED TO US AS LOW-
19 LIVES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH STAFF ACTUALLY
20 REFERS TO US AS RETARDED. I'M ONE OF YOUR COMMISSIONERS. AND
21 AS A CLIENT, NEVER WAS I ABLE TO GET THE DISABILITY
22 ACCOMMODATIONS TO GET SERVICES OR EVEN RIGHT NOW FOR OUR
23 STAKEHOLDERS. I HOPE THAT THE TRUTH MOVING FORWARD THAT IS
24 THIS PROCESS --



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SUPERVISORS

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

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT'S A DISTURBING TESTIMONY. THANK YOU FOR
5 THAT, BUT THAT IS VERY DISTURBING. YOU'RE AN ADVOCATE FOR OUR
6 DISABILITIES COMMUNITY BY BEING ON ONE OF OUR CITIZEN
7 COMMISSIONERS. SO THAT'S VERY DISTURBING. AND I DIDN'T REALLY
8 SAY ANYTHING DURING THE COMMENT TIME THAT YOU GAVE US, BUT I
9 FEEL LIKE THERE'S A DISCONNECT, DR. WONG, BETWEEN WHAT YOU
10 THINK THAT YOU'RE HOLDING THESE STAKEHOLDER COMMUNITY
11 MEETINGS. I MEAN, SUPERVISOR HORVATH STARTED BY SAYING, MY
12 CONSTITUENTS ARE SAYING THEY HAVE A HARD TIME ACCESSING
13 INFORMATION. SO, I MEAN, TO HEAR YOU SAY YOU'VE HAD 40 LARGE
14 STAKEHOLDERS, EVEN MY STAFF, I'M LIKE, ARE WE AWARE OF THOSE?
15 AND WE'RE NOT. SO I'M WONDERING IF THERE'S A DISCONNECT
16 BETWEEN WHAT YOU THINK, HOW YOU THINK YOU'RE REACHING OUT TO
17 STAKEHOLDERS AND PROVIDERS, BECAUSE OF COURSE I KNOW YOU KNOW
18 OUR PROVIDERS ARE FRUSTRATED TOO. AND IS THERE A WAY WE COULD,
19 YOU KNOW, AND THIS IS OF COURSE SHOCKING TO THINK THAT OUR
20 DISABILITIES COMMUNITY IS FEELING OUT OF THE LOOP ON THIS. SO
21 MAYBE WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND TALK TO US.
22 I MEAN, I FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE SOME EXPERTS ON THIS BOARD. I
23 WOULDN'T PUT MYSELF IN THAT CATEGORY, BUT I DO KNOW LIKE
24 HOLLY'S A GREAT ORGANIZER. LINDSAY'S KNOWN FOR HER COMMUNITY
25 MEETINGS. YEAH, YOU, HILDA, CAN ORGANIZE IN AN AFTERNOON. SO,



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1 LIKE I SAID, I DON'T PUT MYSELF IN THAT CATEGORY, BUT MAYBE
2 RESET THIS IDEA OF, BECAUSE THESE ARE CHANGES THAT HAVE
3 HAPPENED. I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW ANYBODY THAT'S TOTALLY HAPPY
4 WITH THEM, BUT I DO FEEL LIKE COMMUNICATION AT THIS POINT AND
5 MAKING SURE WE GET PEOPLE AT THE TABLE. AND IT FEELS, JUST
6 LISTENING TO YOU ABOUT THE 40 LARGE COMMUNITY MEETINGS, IT
7 JUST FEELS LIKE THERE'S A DISCONNECT. AND AGAIN, I WOULD
8 SUGGEST YOU MAYBE RESET THE OUTREACH PIECE AND TALK TO THESE
9 BOARD MEMBERS WHO ARE REALLY GOOD AT ORGANIZING, YOU KNOW,
10 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER EDUCATION EVENTS JUST TO, BECAUSE WE'RE
11 ALL IN THIS TOGETHER, RIGHT? IT'S NOT YOU, IT'S NOT MENTAL
12 HEALTH AGAINST US OR AGAINST OUR COMMUNITY. WE'RE IN THIS
13 BOAT, NOBODY'S NOT SINKING. WE'RE IN THIS BOAT TOGETHER. AND I
14 FEEL LIKE THAT'S THE ONE PIECE THAT JUST SEEMS TO NOT BE
15 RINGING TRUE TODAY DURING THIS PRESENTATION.

16
17 **DR. LISA WONG:** WELL, THANK YOU FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR. WE ALWAYS
18 WELCOME AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW BEST TO REACH
19 OUR COMMUNITIES. I THINK THAT WOULD BE A WONDERFUL
20 OPPORTUNITY. WE DO THOUGH HAVE IT DOCUMENTED HOW WE HAVE
21 REACHED OUT THE COMMUNICATIONS THAT ARE SENT OUT.

22
23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I DON'T REALLY FEEL LIKE RIGHT NOW IS THE
24 RIGHT TIME FOR YOU TO JUST DEFEND THAT. I'M TELLING YOU THERE
25 IS A SENSE THAT THERE'S A DISCONNECT. SO JUST, I WOULD URGE



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SUPERVISORS

1 YOU TO WORK WITH THE SUPERVISORS.

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3 **DR. LISA WONG:** WE CERTAINLY WILL.

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5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS

8 THAN --

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10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 50 IS BEFORE YOU.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
13 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE
14 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

15

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

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

19

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

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

24

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



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

4

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

6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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10 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. AND
11 MOTION CARRIES, 4 TO 0. MADAM CHAIR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING
12 THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIALS, SO WE CAN MOVE ON TO GENERAL
13 PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT,
14 AND IT IS THIS TIME WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
15 WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS
16 IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
17 SUBJECT MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION, BUT NOT ON
18 ITEMS ON THE MEETING AGENDA. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING
19 US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE
20 ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN PERSON SPEAKERS AND
23 WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.
24 WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF
25 WILL ASSIST YOU. DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY, JACQUELINE INIGRESS,



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SUPERVISORS

1 JOHNIA LENARDUS, JESSICA PARRAL AND RICARDO HERNANDEZ. MADAM
2 CHAIR THERE ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK
3 IN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THIS ITEM
4 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, PLEASE
5 BEGIN.

6

7 **RICHARD HERNANEZ:** MY NAME IS RICHARD HERNANDEZ, AND I'M HERE
8 TO INFORM YOU THAT ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE IS
9 THE COST OF BONDS. WE APPROVE THE BONDS, AND WE PROCEED WITH
10 IT. THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE BANKING INDUSTRY HAS A METHOD OF
11 USING A PLATFORM THAT DOUBLES YOUR COST. IT HAPPENS IN EVERY
12 ONE OF YOUR BONDS, BUT NOBODY IS PAYING ATTENTION TO IT. IT
13 TOOK ME 16 YEARS TO PUT UP THE PLATFORM TO GET IT COPYRIGHTED
14 SO I CAN SAVE YOU MONIES, 35% OF YOUR COST OF BONDS CAN BE
15 ERASED. AND YEARS, IT USUALLY, I ONLY GO AND IMPLEMENT
16 INCREMENTS OF FIVE YEARS AT A TIME BECAUSE THAT'S THE FIRST
17 FIVE YEARS IS THE MOST PRODUCTIVE FOR YOU, THE MOST SAVINGS
18 FOR YOU. AND IT'S GOT TO BE SHOWN TO YOU SO THAT YOU CAN, I
19 WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOU THE DIFFICULTY AND THE PROBLEM AND IT'S
20 - -

21

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

23

24 **JESSICA PARRAL:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JESSICA PARRAL. I'M WITH THE
25 LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER. WE THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 HARD WORK OF REDUCING THE ORIGINAL \$300,000,000 DEFICIT IN
2 HOMELESSNESS SERVICES HOWEVER, WE'RE STILL AT A POINT WHERE WE
3 DON'T HAVE AN ANSWER AS TO THE COUNTY'S PLAN FOR YOUTH
4 SPECIFIC SERVICES TO CONTINUE THE BUDGET SEVERELY REDUCES OR
5 ZEROS OUT SO MANY CRITICAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH. AT A TIME WHEN
6 RESOURCES ARE BEING CUT ACROSS THE BOARD, WE CAN'T IGNORE
7 WHO'S HARMED FIRST. LGBTQ PEOPLE ARE OVERLY REPRESENTED IN THE
8 HOMELESS POPULATION. CUTTING HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES
9 RIGHT NOW DOESN'T REDUCE NEEDS. IT DEEPENS INEQUALITY AND
10 DENIES PEOPLE LIKE OUR LGBTQ YOUTH CLIENTELE THE DIGNITY,
11 SAFETY, AND STABILITY THAT THEY DESERVE. ADDRESSING YOUTH
12 HOMELESSNESS IS A CRITICAL STRATEGY TO ENDING CHRONIC
13 HOMELESSNESS. OVER 50% OF ALL CHRONICALLY HOMELESS ADULTS HAD
14 THEIR FIRST EPISODE OF HOMELESSNESS AS A YOUTH. PLEASE
15 IDENTIFY FUNDING TO ENSURE YOUTH-SPECIFIC HOMELESSNESS
16 SERVICES CAN CONTINUE IN L.A. THANK YOU.

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

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20 **DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY:** OKAY. SO TODAY, I WANT TO REMIND US
21 THAT MAY ALSO NEEDS TO BE HAITIAN HERITAGE MONTH. I KNOW YOU
22 HAVE CROATIAN MONTH AND OLD PEOPLE'S MONTH AND A LOT OF
23 AWARENESS, ASIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE, THAT'S FINE. BUT AGAIN,
24 HAITIAN AMERICAN BUILT AND DID A LOT FOR THE UNITED STATES.
25 SO, [SPEAKING CREOLE]. SINCE WE DON'T HAVE CREOLE, NOT EVEN



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1 FRENCH AS A LANGUAGE TRANSLATION FOR THE COUNTY, THAT I
2 ENCOURAGE THAT YOU DO AT LEAST HAVE FRENCH. YOU HAVE SPANISH,
3 YOU HAVE EVERYTHING ELSE BUT HAVE FRENCH THERE. [SPEAKING
4 FRENCH] SO AGAIN, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU GUYS FOR ALL THE
5 WORK THAT YOU DO AND ALL THE AWARENESS AND THE SUPPORT THAT
6 YOU'RE GIVING FOR LOS ANGELOS AND CONTINUE --

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR
9 PUBLIC COMMENT AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW PROCEED WITH
12 ADJOURNMENTS.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S ONE
15 ADJOURNMENT, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT
18 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LARRY VEIN, MY FRIEND, A
19 COMMUNITY LEADER AND A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC
20 PALISADES. LARRY VEIN PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 28TH AT THE AGE OF
21 61. AS THE FOUNDER OF PALLY STRONG, LARRY BECAME A CENTRAL
22 FIGURE IN THE PALISADES RECOVERY EFFORTS FOLLOWING THE 2025
23 WILDFIRES. HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS LEADERSHIP, HIS GENEROSITY OF
24 SPIRIT, AND HIS ABILITY TO SHOW UP FOR OTHERS CONSISTENTLY AND
25 WITHOUT HESITATION. LARRY CARED DEEPLY ABOUT HIS COMMUNITY AND



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1 WORKED TIRELESSLY TO ENSURE THAT NO ONE FELT ALONE IN MOMENTS
2 OF UNCERTAINTY. BEYOND HIS PUBLIC LEADERSHIP, LARRY WAS A
3 DEEPLY DEVOTED FATHER, SON, AND BROTHER WHOSE LOVE FOR HIS
4 FAMILY WAS EVIDENT IN AND WHO MADE A EVERYTHING HE DID. THOSE
5 WHO KNEW HIM REMEMBER A PERSON WHO BUILT LASTING RELATIONSHIPS
6 MEANINGFUL DIFFERENCE IN BOTH BIG AND SMALL WAYS THROUGHOUT
7 HIS LIFE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO CHILDREN, AMELIE AND
8 CONSTANTINE SAMMY, HIS MOTHER SYLVIA, HIS BROTHERS JOHN AND
9 STEVE, AND FIVE NIECES AND NEPHEWS. HIS LOSS IS DEEPLY FELT BY
10 HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, AND THE ENTIRE PACIFIC PALISADES
11 COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS ALL WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING
12 ALONGSIDE HIM. COLONEL SWENSON EVEN RETURNED TODAY TO JOIN US
13 FOR HIS FUNERAL SERVICES THIS MORNING. HE CAME BACK AND WAS
14 PART OF OUR DISASTER RECOVERY PROCESS. LARRY LEAVES BEHIND A
15 LEGACY OF SERVICE, COMPASSION, AND COMMUNITY STRENGTH THAT
16 WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN. THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE THE MOTION AS
19 SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE THAT
20 WILL BE THE ORDER. THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING MEMBERS. THE
21 NEXT MEETING THE BOARD WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE
22 BUDGET HEARING RELATED TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 RECOMMENDED
23 BUDGET TO BE HELD TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH AT 9:30 A.M.
24 AND THEN AFTER THAT, THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
25 WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY THE 12, 2026, AT 9:30 AM. WE ARE



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1 OFFICIALLY ADJOURNED.

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3 **SHERIFF [VIDEO RECORDING]:** HEY, HEY, HEY. SHERIFF'S PERMIT.

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5 **ANTHONY MARRONE [VIDEO RECORDING]:** SO THEY NORMALLY HAVE AN
6 ANNUAL TOPANGA CANYON EVACUATION DRILL COORDINATED THROUGH THE
7 SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT COMES OUT TO ASSIST.
8 TOPANGA CANYON HAS ABOUT 11,000 RESIDENTS ABOUT 4,000
9 STRUCTURES AND IT'S AN AREA THAT'S ALWAYS UNDER RISK OF
10 WILDFIRE.

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12 **DUSTIN CARR [VIDEO RECORDING]:** RIGHT NOW OUR MOBILE FIELD
13 FORCE IS RESPONDING FROM OUR OUTSIDE STATIONS MANY HAVE
14 ARRIVED ALREADY AND WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN EVACUATIONS. AS CHIEF
15 SMITH SAID, THE FIRE STARTED IN THE NORTHEAST AREA OF THE
16 TOPANGA CANYON AREA AND WE ARE EVACUATING ZONES 1, 3 AND 4.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE ARE PREPARING
19 OUR TOPANGA COMMUNITY WITH AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TRAINING
20 AND FIRE EVACUATION PRACTICE EXERCISE. WE HAVE SENT OUT TEST
21 ALERTS TO EVERYONE WHO SIGNED UP FOR THEM WHO ENABLED THEIR
22 PHONES TO RECEIVE THEM SO THEY CAN GET A TEST EVACUATION ALERT
23 TO KNOW EXACTLY HOW THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO GET THEMSELVES READY,
24 GET THEIR FAMILIES READY, AND EVACUATE THEIR COMMUNITY SAFELY
25 IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY.



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2 **SHERIFF [VIDEO RECORDING]:** SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

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4 **MERIELL OAKES [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M VERY AWARE OF THE
5 POSSIBILITY, PROBABILITY THAT AT SOME POINT THIS WILL ALL
6 BURN, ESPECIALLY LIVING IN A WOODEN HOUSE ON TOP OF A HILL AND
7 FIRE RUNS UPHILL.

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9 **JANE LABONTE SHERIFF [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I THINK WHAT HAPPENS
10 IS THAT WE'RE ALL HYPERSENSITIVE IN TOPANGA ABOUT FIRES, BUT
11 IT'S NOT JUST THE FIRE, IT'S THE LOGISTICS OF GETTING OUT. AND
12 HERE, THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION FOR US TO BE HAD THAT WE
13 CAN READ ON OUR OWN TIME.

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2 hereby certify:

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11 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
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