



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, JULY 7TH, 2026

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME BACK FROM 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY. WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY, AS YOU KNOW, IS TUESDAY, JULY THE 7TH, 2026, AND WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL NOW START THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

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



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

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT, THIS
14 MORNING'S INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY OUR VERY OWN NICOLE LEE
15 FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
16 ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY ARTURO GARCIA-AYALA, FORMER
17 E4 SPECIALIST UNITED STATES ARMY FROM THE 4TH DISTRICT. IF YOU
18 ARE ABLE, PLEASE JOIN US AND STAND. THANK YOU.

19
20 **NICOLE LEE:** GOOD MORNING. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER, WE ASK YOUR
21 BLESSING UPON THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY. WE PRAY THAT
22 ALL OF THE MANY DECISIONS MADE TODAY ARE WITH YOUR GUIDANCE
23 AND BLESSING. WE PRAY THAT A GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THE
24 PROBLEMS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT BY THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY
25 WILL RESULT FROM THIS MEETING. WE ASK THESE THINGS IN THY



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1 NAME. AMEN.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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5 **ARTURO GARCIA-AYALA:** GOOD MORNING.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

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9 **ARTURO GARCIA-AYALA:** PLEASE PLACE THE, PLEASE FACE THE FLAG.

10 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN,

11 YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF

12 ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED

13 STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE

14 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR

15 ALL. THANK YOU.

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

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19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND IT'S A

20 PLEASURE FOR ME TODAY TO WELCOME AND HONOR AND THANK ARTURO

21 GARCIA-AYALA, A UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN, FOR LEADING US IN

22 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING. PLEASE GIVE HIM ANOTHER

23 [AUDIO OUT] APPLAUSE I'D LIKE [AUDIO OUT] WHAT THE HECK JUST

24 HAPPENED? YEAH, WHOO! OKAY. I MISSED IT. DID THEY THANK YOU?

25 DID THEY APPLAUD? OKAY. OKAY. I MISSED IT. ARTURO PROUDLY



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1 SERVED OUR NATION FROM 2002 TO 2009 AS AN INFANTRY RIFLEMAN
2 WITH THE 4TH BRIGADE, 10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION, AND COMPLETED
3 DEPLOYMENTS IN BOTH AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ. DURING HIS SERVICE,
4 ARTURO EARNED NUMEROUS MILITARY HONORS, INCLUDING THE COMBAT
5 INFANTRY BADGE, THE ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, THE ARMY GOOD
6 CONDUCT MEDAL, AND CAMPAIGN MEDALS FOR BOTH AFGHANISTAN AND
7 IRAQ. LOOK AT THE MEDALS THAT HE IS DISPLAYING ON HIS JACKET.
8 VERY IMPRESSIVE. AND TODAY ARTURO CONTINUES TO SERVE OUR
9 COMMUNITY AS A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER. HE HAS DOCUMENTED
10 COUNTLESS EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS THROUGHOUT SAN PEDRO,
11 PRESERVING THE STORIES AND MEMORIES THAT MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SO
12 SPECIAL. ARTURO IS ALSO AN AMBASSADOR FOR OUR SAN PEDRO
13 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND SERVES AS THE VETERANS LIAISON FOR THE
14 KOREAN BELL OF FRIENDSHIP CONTINUING HIS LIFELONG COMMITMENT
15 TO BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER AND SERVING OUR COMMUNITY. THANK
16 YOU, ARTURO FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, YOUR CONTINUED
17 DEDICATION TO THE HARBOR AREA, AND FOR JOINING US TODAY TO
18 LEAD US IN OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL
19 THAT YOU DO, AND ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES HERE ON THE BOARD,
20 WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU THIS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CERTIFICATE
21 OF APPRECIATION FOR JOINING US TODAY.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALL RIGHT TODAY JUNE GLOOM IS OVER AND



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1 THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER ARE HERE. I WANT YOU ALL TO MEET DINKY,
2 A 10-MONTH-OLD CANE CORSO BOXER MIX WHO WAS TRANSFERRED FROM
3 PALMDALE TO AGOURA IN MAY. AND WHEREAS DINKY IS NOT DINKY, SO
4 YOU WILL, HE'S COMING, BUT BELIEVE ME, YOU WILL NOT, HE'S NOT
5 DINKY. BUT WHILE HE'S WALKING IN, I JUST WANT TO REMIND
6 PEOPLE, I MEAN, THE PALMDALE AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
7 LANCASTER, SEEM TO BE WHERE WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF THE DOGS
8 FROM, AND I'M REALLY FOCUSED ON SPAY AND NEUTER. BUT THIS IS
9 DINKY. HE IS VERY, VERY PLAYFUL. DO NOT LET HIS SIZE FOOL YOU
10 AND DO NOT BE INTIMIDATED BY HIM BECAUSE HE ACTUALLY DOESN'T
11 REALIZE JUST HOW BIG HE IS, AND IS THE SWEETEST DOG, SITS,
12 WILL SHAKE HANDS, AND HE IS A HELPER DOG AT THE SHELTER. HE'S
13 A DOG THAT THEY USE TO DETERMINE THE TEMPERAMENT OF OTHER DOGS
14 THAT ARE BROUGHT IN. HE GETS ALONG WITH EVERYBODY. WHEN HE'S
15 NOT ROMPING AROUND THE PLAY YARD, HE'S CONTEMPT CUDDLING BY
16 YOUR SIDE. HE THINKS HE IS A LAP DOG. BUT HE IS DEFINITELY A
17 KEEPER FOR SOMEONE. YEAH. BUT HE DOES GET ALONG WITH OTHER
18 DOGS AND AGAIN IS THE HELPER DOG AT AGOURA RIGHT NOW. SO WHEN
19 THEY HAVE NEW DOGS, HE KIND OF FIGURES OUT THEIR TEMPERAMENT
20 AND WELCOMES THEM TO THE SHELTER. IF YOU WANT TO ADOPT DINKY,
21 YOU CAN CALL THE AGOURA CARE CENTER AT 818-991-0071 TO MAKE
22 DINKY YOURS. AND AGAIN, SWEETEST, SWEETEST DOG WITH A GREAT
23 TEMPERAMENT. SO PLEASE, IF YOU, WELL NO, THIS ONE REALLY, ALL
24 OF THEM, BUT THIS ONE ESPECIALLY. AND THEN HIS COLORING, HIS
25 TORTOISESHELL, HE'S JUST ABSOLUTELY A BEAUTIFUL DOG. AND NOW



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1 PLEASE TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN FOR OUR PET FROM
2 PALMDALE MEET BLACKIE HE'S HALF GERMAN SHEPHERD HALF ALASKAN
3 HUSKY AND 100% THE SOCIAL BUTTERFLY UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.
4 THIS TWO-YEAR-OLD PUP HAS A GREAT PERSONALITY AND REALLY
5 ENJOYS MEETING NEW PEOPLE. HE LOVES PLAYTIME, THE OUTDOORS,
6 AND MOST OF ALL GETTING ATTENTION. CALL THE PALMDALE CARE
7 CENTER AT 661-575-2888 TO MAKE BLACKIE ONE OF YOUR NEW BEST
8 FRIENDS. AND THERE IS A PROMOTION STILL GOING ON, THE DOG DAYS
9 OF SUMMER PROMOTION IS HAPPENING UNTIL JULY 31ST. ADOPTION
10 FEES ARE WAIVED FOR ALL DOGS AT ALL SEVEN CARE CENTERS. VISIT
11 ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV TO FIND THE ONE FOR YOU. THANK YOU,
12 MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, DINKY.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. YEAH. EXECUTIVE
15 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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17 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR,
18 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO,
19 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8. ON
20 ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO
21 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
22 AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
23 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
24 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR HORVATH
25 WOULD LIKE TO REVISE HER MOTION TO ADD SUPERVISOR BARGER AS



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1 CO-AUTHOR. ON PAGE 10, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 9 THROUGH
2 44. ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 REVISED TO REMOVE RECOMMENDATION NUMBERS 4 AND 5. ON ITEMS 23
4 AND 24, ON THE MOTION TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, THE BOARD FINDS
5 THAT THE AMENDMENTS FURTHER THE PURPOSES OF CHAPTER 2.190 OF
6 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE. ON PAGE 32, SPECIAL DISTRICT
7 AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1D THROUGH 3D. ON PAGE 35,
9 NOTICE IS A CLOSED SESSION ITEM, CS1 THROUGH CS5. ON ITEM CS1,
10 THIS ITEM WAS TAKEN OFF CALENDAR AS INDICATED ON THE
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM CS2, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT
12 ONE CASE BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JULY 14, 2026. ALSO, THIS
13 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
14 ON ITEM CS5, THIS IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE
15 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM, ON PAGE 38, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM
16 PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE
17 BOARD. ITEM A1, ON ITEM A1, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT
18 THIS ITEM BE HELD. FOR THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE, REVISIONS,
19 AND ITEM TAKEN OFF CALENDAR THROUGH A1 ARE BEFORE YOU. THAT
20 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEMS.
24 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLAY THE CODE OF
25 CONDUCT PLEASE.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY
3 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF
5 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH
6 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.
7 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN
8 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH
9 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE
10 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC
11 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE
12 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING
13 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR
14 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO
15 THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS
16 LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.
17 PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A
18 DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL
19 OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING
20 PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR
21 OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF,
22 STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE
23 RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND
24 BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE
25 DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON



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1 ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO
2 BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU
3 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
4 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
5 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
6 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

7
8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WITH THAT, TODAY'S MEETING ORDER
9 WILL BE THE FOLLOWING. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD FOR
10 DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD, INCLUDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS,
11 FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 4 AND 7, THEN ITEM A1, FOLLOWED BY GENERAL
12 PUBLIC COMMENT AND FINISHING UP WITH CLOSED SESSION. BEFORE WE
13 BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION
14 AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES. THANK YOU.

15
16 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE
17 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY
18 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY. TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE
19 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT TO REGISTER AND JOIN THE MEETING OR YOU
20 MAY CALL 213-306-3065 AND USE ACCESS CODE 25342241284 AND
21 MEETING PASSWORD 2672026. YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
22 ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. FOR ITEMS NOT HELD
23 BY THE BOARD, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM AND UP
24 TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS. FOR ITEMS HELD BY
25 SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AND



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

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25 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR



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1 PRESS STAR THREE IF ON THE TELEPHONE. PLEASE INDICATE THE
2 AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS IN THE BEGINNING
3 OF YOUR COMMENT FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF
4 TIME.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND
7 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.
8 THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR
9 DISCUSSION AND CLOSED SESSION ITEMS. CIPRIANO BELSER, DAINA
10 COFFEY, VICTOR TOBAR, AQUILLINA SORIANO VERSOZA, ZACHARY
11 BILSKY, CYNTHIA AYALA, BREANNA MALDONADO, TRAZ CO. PLEASE COME
12 FORWARD. ARTURO GARCIA, TNC. YOUR LINE IS NOW UNMUTED. PLEASE
13 BEGIN.

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15 **ARTURO GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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

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19 **ARTURO GARCIA:** EXCELLENT. DEAR CHAIR, CHAIR SOLIS AND MEMBERS
20 OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS ARTURO GARCIA AND ON BEHALF OF THE
21 NATURE CONSERVANCY, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS
22 SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION PROCLAIMING JULY 2026 AS PARKS MAKE
23 LIFE BETTER MONTH. AS AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO CONSERVING
24 THE LANDS AND WATERS ON WHICH ALL LIFE DEPENDS, WE SEE EVERY
25 DAY HOW PARKS PROVIDE FAR MORE THAN RECREATION. PARKS CONNECT



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1 PEOPLE WITH NATURE, IMPROVE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELL-BEING,
2 STRENGTHEN CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND SERVICE CRITICAL GATHERING
3 SPACES DURING TIMES OF NEED. THIS MOTION APPROPRIATELY
4 RECOGNIZES THE EXTRAORDINARY ROLE L.A. COUNTY PARKS PLAY IN
5 SUPPORTING RESIDENTS, NOT ONLY THROUGH OUTDOOR RECREATION AND
6 ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP, BUT ALSO THROUGH EMERGENCY
7 RESPONSE, YOUTH PROGRAMMING, FOOD ASSISTANCE, AND COMMUNITY
8 RECOVERY EFFORTS. THESE SERVICES ARE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN
9 ENSURING THAT ALL RESIDENTS, REGARDLESS OF ZIP CODE, HAVE
10 ACCESS TO SAFE, WELCOMING PUBLIC SPACES. WE COMMEND CHAIR
11 SOLIS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARK AND RECREATION FOR
12 HIGHLIGHTING THE ESSENTIAL ROLE PARKS PLAY IN BOTH THE GOOD
13 TIMES AND THE HARD TIMES AND FOR THEIR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ELIZABETH DE CARTER, YOUR LINE
17 IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **ELIZABETH DE CARTER:** HI, YES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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

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23 **ELIZABETH DE CARTER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND
24 SUPERVISORS. I'M SPEAKING IN OPPOSITION OF ITEM NUMBER 4. MY
25 NAME IS ELIZABETH DE CARTER AND I'M THE GOVERNMENT CHAIR'S



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1 DIRECTOR.

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3 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** MA'AM, ITEM 4 IS BEING HELD FOR DISCUSSION.
4 YOU CAN GET BACK IN QUEUE AND HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT WHEN THAT
5 ITEM IS DISCUSSED.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. BEN REYNOSO, YOUR LINE IS
8 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

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10 **BEN REYNOSO:** HI, AND THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR BRINGING FORWARD
11 ITEM NUMBER 6. THIS IS TO PERMANENTLY, OR SECURE FUNDING, FOR
12 PERMANENTLY FUNDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCILS PROGRAM. AS
13 MANY OF YOU KNOW, AND SOME OF THE AUDIENCE WHO MAY NOT, THE
14 PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCILS PROGRAM WAS CREATED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND CERTIFIED WORKER
16 ORGANIZATIONS BACK AT THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC IN ORDER TO
17 RESPOND TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY. IT HAS GONE WAY BEYOND THAT
18 NOW. WE STARTED OFF WITH FIVE INDUSTRIES BEING REPRESENTED,
19 FRONTLINE, ESSENTIAL, GROCERY, RESTAURANTS, ET CETERA,
20 WAREHOUSING, PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE
21 WORK OFF. AND NOW FAST FORWARD, WE HAVE 12 ORGANIZATIONS, 12
22 UNIQUE OR NOT 12 ORGANIZATIONS, BUT 12 UNIQUE SECTORS THAT ARE
23 BEING SERVED. AND ALL OF OUR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES ARE HERE
24 IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY. BUT I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD
25 FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD. THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT'S BEEN



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1 CREATED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
2 THROUGH THE OFFICE OF WORKER HEALTH AND SAFETY IN PARTNERSHIP
3 WITH THE CWOS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY IS INVALUABLE AND HONESTLY A
4 SHINING STAR FOR L.A. COUNTY IN WORKER HEALTH AND SAFETY.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. DAVID DIAZ YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
7 PLEASE BEGIN.

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9 **DAVID DIAZ:** HI, GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS DAVID DIAZ. I'M THE
10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ACTIVE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. WE'RE AN
11 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC HEALTH NONPROFIT
12 HEADQUARTERED IN EAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE'RE CALLING IN
13 THANKS TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORWARD THE MOTION FOR
14 COMING IN JULY AS PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER MONTH IN L.A. COUNTY.
15 AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ACT OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
16 VOLUNTEER COACH AND A PARENT OF TWI KIDS UNDER SEVEN YEARS
17 OLD, I COULDN'T AGREE MORE THAT PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER AND
18 PLAY SUCH A VITAL ROLE IN WELL-BEING, CONNECTION AND
19 RESILIENCE. I WANT TO GIVE A BIG SHOUT OUT TO ALL THE FOLKS
20 WORKING AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION
21 DEPARTMENT AND TO DIRECTOR NORMA GARCIA-GONZALEZ FOR HER
22 LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU AGAIN TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING
23 THIS MOTION FORWARD. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION.
24 HAVE A GREAT WEEK.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
2 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

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4 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YES, JUST SORT OF SHORT AND SWEET HERE. THAT
5 THE, I BELIEVE IT'S ITEM 8 ON THE CHILD ISSUES AND YOUR, THE
6 COUNTY'S ENDEAVORS AND EXPENDITURE ON THE CHILD TRAFFICKING,
7 ETC. IS ABYSMAL AND DISGRACEFUL, DISGUSTING. THANK YOU.

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9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CLAUDIA QUADRINO, YOUR LINE IS
10 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

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12 **CLAUDIA QUADRINO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA, PROGRAM
13 MANAGER AT THE LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. OUR ROLE
14 AS A NONPROFIT IS CREATING AND STEWARDING PARKS AND GREEN
15 SPACES ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. SO ON BEHALF OF L.A. NLT, WE WANT
16 TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR INTRODUCING MOTION NUMBER 3 TO
17 RECOGNIZE PARKS AS A CENTRAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND NOT
18 JUST AMENITIES. OUR PARKS ARE CLIMATE INFRASTRUCTURE, COOLING
19 NEIGHBORHOODS THAT FACE THE WORST HEAT, CAPTURING STORM WATER
20 AND CLEANING OUR AIR. THEY ARE PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE,
21 GIVING FAMILIES SAFE PLACES TO WALK, PLAY AND BREATHE EASIER.
22 AND THEIR COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE, HOSTING EVERYTHING FROM
23 SUMMER CAMPS TO SENIOR PROGRAMS TO EMERGENCY RESPONSE LIKE WE
24 SAW DURING THE ETON FIRE. AND NONE OF THIS HAPPENS WITHOUT
25 PARK STAFF WHO SHOW UP EVERY DAY TO MAKE THESE SPACES



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1 WELCOMING AND SAFE. SO WE'RE PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND
2 WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COUNTY
3 TO EXPAND ACCESS TO PARKS FOR EVERY COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROMEO HEBRON, YOUR LINE IS
6 UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN.

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8 **ROMEO HEBRON:** GOOD MORNING BOARD. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 6. MY
9 NAME IS ROMEO HEBRON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH THE FILIPINO
10 MIGRANT CENTER BASED IN LONG BEACH. THE PUBLIC HEALTH
11 COUNCIL'S PROGRAM HAS HAD AN IMMENSE IMPACT IN BEING ABLE TO
12 REACH WORKERS EARLY ON DURING THE PANDEMIC AS WELL AS BEYOND
13 IN RECENT YEARS. MOST RECENTLY, YOU KNOW, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
14 HELP RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY WORKERS, CAREGIVERS, YOU KNOW,
15 FIGHT A 2.3 AND GET AND WIN A \$2,300,000 CITATION AGAINST
16 THEIR EMPLOYER WHO WAS STEALING THEIR WAGES. WE'VE ALSO BEEN
17 HELPING TRAFFICKED CAREGIVERS AS WELL IN LANCASTER, WHICH
18 ULTIMATELY LED TO THE SHUTDOWN OF THE RECRUITMENT AGENCY. AND
19 THEN MOST IMPORTANTLY, OR LASTLY, THIS PROGRAM HAS ALSO HELPED
20 US NOT JUST BUILD OTHER CONNECTIONS WITH WORKER CENTERS, BUT
21 ALSO BUILD STRONGER AND DEEPER RELATIONSHIPS WITH L.A. COUNTY
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.
23 THANK YOU.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MARY NGUYEN, PLEASE STATE YOUR



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1 NAME AND THE ITEMS YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN.

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3 **MARY NGUYEN:** HI, THIS IS MARY NGUYEN. I'M FROM THE CALIFORNIA
4 HEALTHY NAIL SALON COLLABORATIVE AND I AM THE POLICY AND
5 RESEARCH MANAGER AT THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHY NAIL SALON
6 COLLABORATIVE, WHICH WORKS WITH THE VIETNAMESE LICENSED
7 MANICURISTS ACROSS CALIFORNIA TO SUPPORT THEIR SAFETY, HEALTH,
8 AND LIVELIHOOD IN THE WORKFORCE AND THEIR COMMUNITY. I'M
9 SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6 AND ASK THE SUPERVISOR TO
10 CONTINUE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL PROGRAM BECAUSE IT HAS
11 SUPPORTED OUR WORKERS THROUGH COVID-19 AND THROUGH THE
12 WILDFIRES THAT HAPPENED IN PAST YEAR. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
13 PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS AND OUTREACH AS WELL AS PPE FOR
14 OUR MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY IN LANGUAGE AND THROUGH OUR ETHNIC
15 MEDIA PLATFORMS SO THAT THEY ARE AWARE OF THEIR RIGHTS AND
16 KNOW HOW TO ADVOCATE FOR THEMSELVES AND ALSO BE PROTECTED AND
17 SUPPORTED IN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SPEAKER WITH PHONE NUMBER 3233,
20 ENDING IN 42. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND THE AGENDA ITEM
21 YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND BEGIN.

22

23 **AMY ESQUIVAR:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AMY ESQUIVAR. I'M
24 SPEAKING ON ITEM 6. I'M REPRESENTING EGODRA, A LOCAL WORKER
25 CENTER ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS WITH DAY LABORERS AND DOMESTIC



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1 WORKERS. I'M ALSO HERE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
2 REQUEST TO FIND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH
3 COUNCIL PROGRAM, WHICH IS LED BY L.A. COUNTY'S PUBLIC HEALTH.
4 SO FAR, THIS PROGRAM HAS ALLOWED US TO HAVE CONTINUED
5 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND DIRECT HEALTH SERVICES THAT ARE
6 SEVERAL DAY LABOR CENTERS THAT ARE THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF L.A.
7 THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, WE'VE ALSO BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE HEALTH
8 EDUCATION TO DOMESTIC WORKERS ON A MONTHLY BASIS. AND THIS
9 APPROACH HAS ALLOWED LOCAL CBOS TO CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH
10 THE LOCAL HEALTH PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONTINUE
11 PROVIDING TIMELY EDUCATION AND RESOURCES TO THESE WORKERS LIKE
12 VACCINE CLINICS AND OUTREACH AND BRAIN ZONES. THANK YOU.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. DAISY GONZALEZ, YOUR LINE IS
15 UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEM YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AND
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **DAISY GONZALEZ:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

21
22 **DAISY GONZALEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS DAISY GONZALEZ. I'M WITH THE
23 GARMIN WORKER CENTER. GWC ORGANIZES L.A.'S APPAREL WORKERS, AN
24 INDUSTRY OF OVER 30,000 WORKERS. AND IT'S ALSO AN INDUSTRY
25 KNOWN FOR HIGH RATES OF PUBLIC HEALTH VIOLATIONS. WE'RE A



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1 PROUD PARTICIPANT IN THE PHC PROGRAM. AND THE PHC PROGRAM IS
2 AN INNOVATIVE MODEL FOR ENFORCEMENT. IT EMPOWERS LOW WAGE
3 WORKERS, RECOGNIZING THEM AS SUBJECTS MATTER EXPERTS TO
4 IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS WORKPLACE HAZARDS AND VIOLATIONS THROUGH
5 TRAINING, TO BE ABLE TO FORM WORKER COUNCILS FOR PEER SUPPORT
6 AND TO FILE COMPLAINTS WITH THEM. THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, GWC
7 REACHED OVER 406 FACTORIES AND FORMED 22 PUBLIC HEALTH
8 COUNCILS. THIS IS AN INFRASTRUCTURE AND FRONTLINE THAT HAS
9 BEEN APPLIED DURING COVID WILDFIRES AND FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT
10 AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THE PHD PROGRAM HAS BEEN ADDRESSING
11 ENFORCEMENT GAPS AND HELPING EMPLOYERS COME INTO COMPLIANCE
12 AND WE URGE THE BOARD TO APPROVE THE TWO [AUDIO OUT] PROGRAM.
13 THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE
16 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD A REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR THESE
17 ITEMS IS NOW CONCLUDED WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS,
18 PLEASE BEGIN.

19
20 **CIPRIANO BELSER:** GOOD MORNING ESTEEMED BOARD. MY NAME IS
21 CIPRIANO BELSER I'M THE CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN
22 CALIFORNIA COALITION FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH AND
23 I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO ITEM 6. I FIRST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
24 SOLIS'S OFFICE FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I'M HERE TO
25 SUPPORT THE CONTINUED AND PERMANENT FUNDING FOR THE L.A.



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1 COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL'S PROGRAM. I'VE WORKED ON THIS
2 PROGRAM SINCE ITS INCEPTION, AND I'VE SEEN SOMETHING TRULY
3 UNIQUE AND POWERFUL DEVELOP OVER THESE LAST FIVE YEARS, THAT
4 BEING THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN FRONTLINE WORKERS, WORKER
5 ADVOCATES AND THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. THESE
6 RELATIONSHIPS ARE UNHEARD OF ELSEWHERE AND THEY'VE ENABLED
7 FAST, EFFECTIVE RESPONSES TO PROTECT OUR COUNTY FROM MANY
8 THREATS THAT HAVE HAPPENED TO PUBLIC HEALTH. IT WOULD BE
9 DEVASTATING BLOW FOR THE COUNTY. IT WOULD BE A DEVASTATING
10 BLOW TO THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO SUPPORT HARD TO REACH WORKING
11 PEOPLE IF THIS PROGRAM IS ALLOWED TO SUNSET. SO WE URGE THE
12 SUPERVISORS TO IDENTIFY FUNDING TO KEEP THIS PROGRAM ALIVE.
13 THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **VICTOR TOBAR:** HELLO, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
18 VICTOR TOBAR, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE WORKER
19 EMPOWERMENT COMMUNITY NETWORK. ITEM 6, AS YOU GUYS HAVE ALL
20 HEARD, WE'RE ALL ADVOCATING HERE FOR PERMANENT FUNDING ON THE
21 PHD PROGRAM. YOU'VE HEARD IT FROM ALL DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES. WE
22 SERVE THE RESTAURANT INDUSTRY, BUT THE PHD PROGRAM HAS BEEN
23 ABLE TO CONNECT A FULL NETWORK TO ALL FRONTLINE WORKERS, NOT
24 JUST THE RESTAURANT WORKERS, THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE
25 IN-TIME RESOURCES AND MUCH NEEDED HELP TO THOSE COMMUNITIES



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1 THAT WERE NOT ABLE TO TAKE BREAKS DURING PANDEMICS AND DURING
2 THE WILDFIRES. SO WE DO ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER PERMANENTLY
3 FUNDING THE PROGRAM TO ALLOW US TO CONTINUE TO BRING THIS
4 SUPPORT TO THOSE COMMUNITIES IN NEED. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **DAINA COFFEY:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DAINA COFFEY. I'M
9 ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF LOHSCH, THAT'S THE LABOR OCCUPATIONAL
10 SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM, UCLA. I'M HERE TO COMMENT ON ITEM
11 6, THAT'S PERMANENT FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCILS.
12 SINCE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCILS' INCEPTION, LOSH HAS SERVED
13 AS A TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDER TO SUPPORT THE
14 DPH AND THE COMMUNITY WORKER ORGANIZATIONS. WE'VE SEEN THE
15 EVOLUTION OF THE PROGRAM FROM THE RESPONSE TO COVID TO A WIDE
16 RANGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES IN THE WORKPLACE. AND IN
17 ADDITION TO ITS MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, THE PUBLIC HEALTH
18 COUNCIL'S PROGRAM HAS BECOME WELL KNOWN AMONG PUBLIC HEALTH
19 PRACTITIONERS NATIONWIDE. IT IS THE GOLD STANDARD FOR HOW TO
20 DO MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS AND
21 WORKERS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGS. I COMMEND THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS FOR SEEING THE VISION AND INVESTING IN THIS
23 PROGRAM FOR SEVERAL YEARS. AND I SIMPLY WANTED TO OFFER THIS
24 CONTEXT AND PERSPECTIVE AS YOU CONSIDER FUTURE FUNDING. THANK
25 YOU.



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

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4 **AQUILINA SORIANO VERSOZA:** HI, MY NAME IS AQUILINA SORIANO
5 VERSOZA. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PILIPINO WORKERS
6 CENTER. GOOD MORNING AND THANK YOU. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 6 IN
7 SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL'S FURTHER FUNDING.
8 PILIPINO WORKERS CENTER HAS BEEN A PART OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH
9 COUNCIL SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE PROGRAM. IT'S REALLY
10 ESTABLISHED CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE THAT BOTH GETS MORE
11 QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY THE RESOURCES FROM THE COUNTY TO
12 ESSENTIAL WORKERS, BUT ALSO HAS REALLY INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT
13 OF PUBLIC HEALTH ABOUT THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING ON THE
14 GROUND. AND IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THE HEALTH OF THE WORKERS IS
15 ALSO REALLY CRITICAL FOR THE HEALTH OF THE PUBLIC BECAUSE THEY
16 ALSO HAVE CRITICAL EXPERIENCES THAT ARE HELPING TO KEEP
17 EVERYONE SAFE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE RESTAURANTS AND IN FOOD
18 PACKING AND IN RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES. THOSE ARE THE
19 INDUSTRIES THAT PWC HAD BEEN REACHING OUT TO AND WE HAVE BEEN
20 ABLE TO VACCINATE SO MANY MORE PEOPLE TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE.

21

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

23

24 **CYNTHIA AYALA:** GOOD MORNING, ESTEEMED BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME
25 IS CYNTHIA AYALA. I WILL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM 6 TODAY THIS



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1 MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THE
2 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY AND ALSO TO OUR ORGANIZATIONS AND
3 OUR COLLEAGUES ON THIS MATTER. BASICALLY WHAT WE SPOKE ON LAST
4 COUPLE WEEKS AGO, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO CONTINUE THE
5 PHC PROGRAM. IT'S FLOURISHED IMMENSELY FROM THE BEGINNING FROM
6 COVID. AND AS WE SEE RIGHT NOW WITH THE WILDFIRES AND WHAT'S
7 GOING ON WITH FACTORIES BURNING DOWN AND FOLKS GETTING IN THE
8 MIDST OF THEIR LUNGS BEING AFFECTED, I BELIEVE IN THIS PROGRAM
9 IMMENSELY, HOW WE TALK TO WORKERS ONE-ON-ONE DAILY. I'M AN
10 ORGANIZER THAT GOES INTO THESE STORES AND FOLKS THAT ARE FROM
11 UNDOCUMENTED FAMILIES AND THEY DO NOT KNOW THEIR RIGHTS FROM
12 THE WORKPLACE OR IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS WELL. SO WE
13 INFORM THEM EVERY DAY. WE GO IN WITH OUR HEARTS FULL AND OUR
14 MINDS FULL AS WELL TO SPEAK ON FOR THEM AND HELP THEM OUT IN
15 THESE EVENTS. AND SO WE REALLY HOPE YOU TAKE THIS IN
16 CONSIDERATION TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING FOR THIS WONDERFUL --

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

19
20 **BREANNA MALDONADO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BREANNA MALDONADO
21 AND I'M A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH THE LOS ANGELES ALLIANCE
22 FOR A NEW ECONOMY. AND I AM HERE TODAY TO STRONGLY SUPPORT
23 SUSTAINABLE AND PERMANENT FUNDING FOR THE PHC OR PUBLIC HEALTH
24 COUNCIL'S PROGRAM. I COME TODAY AS AN ORGANIZER, BUT I WAS
25 HERE FIVE YEARS AGO DRAWING STICK FIGURES OUTSIDE OF THIS



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1 OFFICE BECAUSE I MYSELF KNEW AS A WORKER THAT THIS WAS
2 ESSENTIAL FOR PEOPLE LIKE US. EVERY DAY OUR TEAM IS ON THE
3 GROUND TALKING TO NON-UNION GROCERY AND RETAIL WORKERS
4 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. THROUGH OUR CONVERSATIONS IT IS CLEAR
5 THAT LOW-WAGE AND ESSENTIAL WORKERS BEAR THE HEAVIEST BURDENS
6 NOT JUST FROM UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICES BUT FROM THE SEVERE
7 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. WHETHER IT'S
8 NAVIGATING WORKPLACE VIOLENCE DUE TO IMMIGRATION RATES,
9 HARASSMENT FROM EMPLOYERS, CUTS FROM FEDERAL FUNDING IMPACTING
10 THEIR MEDI-CAL, RESPIRATORY THREATS OR EVEN THE RECENT BOYLE
11 HEIGHTS FIRE. THESE WORKERS ARE ON THE FRONT LINES. I URGE YOU
12 TO PERMANENTLY SECURE FUNDING TO PROTECT OUR ESSENTIAL
13 WORKFORCE. THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **ZACHARY BILSKY:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS
18 ZACHARY BILSKY HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE NORTH HOLLYWOOD
19 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS
20 OPPORTUNITY I DO WANT TO STAND IN AGREEMENT WITH MISS SOLIS
21 REGARDING ITEM NUMBER 3 PARKS ABSOLUTELY MAKE LIFE BETTER
22 THAT'S WHAT I'M HERE TO DISCUSS TODAY REGARDING THE ALEXANDRIA
23 PARK TINY HOME VILLAGE. I KNOW YOU CAN'T SEE THIS BUT IT IS
24 LOCATED WITHIN NORTH HOLLYWOOD'S VALLEY PLAZA. THE INITIATIVE
25 IS KNOWN AS HOPE OF THE WALL. IT IS A BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT.



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1 WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE, WE WANT TO PROPOSE A BEAUTIFICATION
2 PROJECT FOR THE AREA, INCLUDING THE RESIDENTS OF THE TINY HOME
3 VILLAGES. WE WANT TO START WITH LITTER CLEANUP. AND BY DOING
4 THAT, WE WOULD LAUNCH LITTER REMOVAL DAYS. SO HOW DO WE GET
5 THE RESIDENTS INVOLVED IN SOMETHING LIKE THAT? THROUGHOUT THE
6 YEAR, YOU GUYS KNOW THAT THERE ARE SPECIAL HOLIDAYS LIKE WORLD
7 HEART DAY, INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY. THESE ARE
8 GREAT DAYS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AND GET THE RESIDENTS TO BE A
9 PART OF SOMETHING ALONG WITH THE COMMUNITY, THEN WE CLEAN UP
10 AND WE COMMEMORATE THE DAY WITH WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT HERE.

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

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

15
16 **TRAZ CO:** HI, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS TRAZ CO. I AM REPRESENTING
17 APAIT, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION BASED IN LOS ANGELES. THANK
18 YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR PUTTING THIS ON THE AGENDA
19 AND I APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR ALL THE SUPPORT
20 THAT WE'VE BEEN GETTING. AS A FRONTLINE OUTREACH WORKER, WE'VE
21 BEEN PROVIDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF
22 DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS FROM PROVIDING IMMIGRATION RELIEF AND
23 LEGAL AID TO DISTRIBUTING HYGIENE KITS AND FOOD AND WATER FOR
24 UNHOUSED PEOPLE OF L.A. WE NEED THIS FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO
25 SUSTAIN OUR SERVICES. MY OUTREACH SPECIFICALLY ARE FOR CHINESE



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1 MASSAGE PARLOR WORKERS. THE DISCRIMINATION, AGGRESSION, AND
2 VIOLENCE THAT THEY FACE IS CONCERNING TO SAY THE LEAST AND
3 HORRIFYING AT MOST. OUR SERVICE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND THEM
4 RESOURCES SUCH AS THERAPY, HEALTH CARE, FOOD RESOURCES, AND
5 MORE. NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF THIS BOARD BY
6 WAY OF ADVOCATING FOR OUR CONTINUED FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO
7 CONTINUE THESE VITAL RESOURCES FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE --

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

10
11 **LISA FU:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LISA FU. I'M EXECUTIVE
12 DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHY NAIL SALON COLLABORATIVE
13 AND I'M ALSO HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE PROMISE AND IMPORTANCE OF
14 THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL PROGRAM. WE WORK WITH THE VIETNAMESE
15 NAIL SALON WORKFORCE IN L.A. COUNTY WHO ARE 80% IMMIGRANT AND
16 REFUGEE WOMEN AND LOW WAGE WORKERS. AND L.A. COUNTY HAS THE
17 HIGHEST NUMBER OF NAIL SALONS AND NAIL SALON WORKERS IN THE
18 WHOLE ENTIRE COUNTRY. AND THROUGHOUT PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL
19 PROGRAM, WE'VE ACTUALLY DEVELOPED A UNIQUE MODEL OF WORKING
20 WITH NAIL SALONS AS HUBS. AND SO THEY REACH OUT AND RE-SHARE
21 OUT THE INFORMATION THAT WE'RE SHARING WITH THEM. SO REACHING
22 HUNDREDS OF WORKERS AND NAIL SALON OWNERS THROUGHOUT EVERY
23 MONTH. DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, WE WERE THE ONLY
24 ORGANIZATION IN THE STATE, IN THE COUNTRY, PROVIDING IN-
25 LANGUAGE SUPPORT AND INFORMATION SPECIFICALLY FOR NAIL SALONS



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1 IN VIETNAMESE. WE WERE THE TRUSTED POINT OF INFORMATION AND
2 CONTACT. THROUGH THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE WITH PHC WITH COPA -
3 -

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

6
7 **SALLY GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SALLY
8 GARCIA, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER WITH THE SAN GABRIEL AND
9 LOWER LOS ANGELES RIVERS AND MOUNDS CONSERVANCY OR RMC. AND WE
10 STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 3, DESIGNING JULY 2026 AS PARKS MAKE
11 LIVES BETTER MONTH. AS AN AGENCY DEDICATED TO EXPANDING OPEN
12 SPACE, WATERSHED HEALTH, AND LOW IMPACT RECREATION ACROSS LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY, WE KNOW FIRSTHAND THAT PARKS ARE NOT JUST
14 AMENITIES. THEY ARE ESSENTIAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE FOR
15 HEALTH, CLIMATE RESILIENCE, AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING. WE THANK
16 THE BOARD FOR ITS CONTINUED LEADERSHIP IN PRIORITIZING
17 EQUITABLE ACCESS TO NATURE, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
18 ALONGSIDE COUNTY TO ENSURE ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES CAN THRIVE
19 IN SAFE, VIBRANT OUTDOOR SPACES THIS JULY AND ALL YEAR LONG.
20 THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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



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1 **CHICHI NAVARRO:** GOOD MORNING, CHICHI NAVARRO FROM THE
2 TRANSLATINA COALITION. I WILL BE SPEAKING ON ITEMS 6, 5, AND
3 13. SO ON ITEM 6, THE PROGRAM PROTECTS LOW WAGE WORKERS IN
4 GARMENT, WAREHOUSE FOOD, AND RESTAURANT INDUSTRIES BY TRAINING
5 THEM TO MONITOR WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY AND SHIELDING THEM
6 FROM RETALIATION. I'M RAISING THIS BECAUSE TRANSGENDER, GENDER
7 NONCONFORMING AND INTERSEX WORKERS ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY
8 PUSHED INTO PRECISELY THESE LOW-WAGE PRECARIOUS INDUSTRIES DUE
9 TO WELL-DOCUMENTED EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION. MANY TGI WORKERS
10 CAN'T SAFELY REPORT UNSAFE CONDITIONS THROUGH FORMAL HR
11 CHANNELS BECAUSE DOING SO RISKS EXPOSING THEIR IDENTITY TO A
12 HOSTILE EMPLOYER OR LOSING A JOB THAT THEY CAN'T EASILY
13 REPLACE. A WORKER-LED MODEL WITH STRONG ANTI-RETALIATION
14 PROTECTIONS IS EXACTLY THE TYPE OF INFRASTRUCTURE THAT CAN
15 REACH TGI WORKERS OTHER SYSTEMS OFTEN MISS. AS YOU IDENTIFY
16 THE \$2,300,000 IN ONGOING FUNDING, I'M ASKING THAT THE BOARD
17 TO ENSURE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL TRAININGS INCLUDE EXPLICIT
18 GUIDANCE ON PROTECTING LGBTQ+ AND TGI WORKERS FROM RETALIATION
19 TIED TO THEIR IDENTITY, NOT JUST THEIR HEALTH AND SAFETY
20 REPORTS. NOW ON ITEM 5 AND 13, TRANSGENDER GENDER
21 NONCONFORMING AND INTERSEX PEOPLE EXPERIENCE INTIMATE PARTNER
22 VIOLENCE AT SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER RATES THAN THE GENERAL
23 POPULATION. YET WE ARE CONSISTENTLY UNDERSERVED BY MAINSTREAM
24 SYSTEMS, TURNED AWAY FROM SHELTERS, MISGENDERED BY PROVIDERS,
25 OR MET WITH THE SERVICES THAT SIMPLY WEREN'T DESIGNED WITH US



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1 IN MIND. AS YOU EXPAND PREVENTION EFFORTS AND RECONSIDER HOW
2 THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL IS STRUCTURED, I'M ASKING THE
3 BOARD TO EXPLICITLY ENSURE THAT TGI SURVIVORS ARE NAMED,
4 COUNTED, AND SERVED. THAT MEANS TGI-INCLUSIVE DATA COLLECTION,
5 CULTURALLY COMPETENT TRAINING FOR PROVIDERS, AND SAFE,
6 APPROPRIATE SHELTER ACCESS. ITEM 13 IN PARTICULAR REMOVES A
7 FORMALLY RECOGNIZED OVERSIGHT BODY. AS DPH DEVELOPS A NEW
8 MODEL, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT WHATEVER REPLACES IT DOES NOT
9 LOSE THE THREAD ON TGI SPECIFIC NEEDS. THANK YOU.

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

12

13 **LEE WALLACH:** HELLO. I COULD NOT MORE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSE
14 JULY AS PARKS MONTH. I'M LEE WALLACH. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF A
15 LITTLE ORGANIZATION IN PALMS, CALIFORNIA. IT'S A WONDERFUL,
16 WONDERFUL LITTLE AREA, AND IN LARGE PART TO LITTLE THINGS THAT
17 YOU FOLKS HAVE DONE. WE MANAGE OUR FARMERS' MARKET, OUR
18 COMMUNITY GARDENS. WE HAVE A HOMELESS FOOD AND JOBS PROGRAM,
19 MURALS, PICK UP THE TRASH, ALL KINDS OF PROGRAMS. BECAUSE OF
20 THIS BODY, WE HAVE A COMMUNITY GARDEN, WE HAVE A GARDEN AT
21 LOCAL SCHOOL, WE HAVE ALL KINDS OF GARDENS AROUND PALMS. IT
22 CHANGES OUR LIVES. SINCE BEFORE COVID, WHICH SEEMS SO LONG
23 AGO, WE ONLY HAD A LITTLE WOODBINE PARK. YOU FOLKS REALLY
24 CHANGED THAT FOR US. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO MORE, MORE
25 CREATIVITY. PUSH LASUSD TO HAVE CO SPONSORED, YOU KNOW, PARKS



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1 IN OUR --

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

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

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

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I DO WANT TO THANK THE FOLKS THAT
11 CAME OUT TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF PARKS. SO I SEE YOU, WE
12 HEAR YOU AND THANK YOU. AND ALSO THOSE THAT CAME OUT TO SPEAK
13 ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCILS. IT'S VITALLY
14 IMPORTANT THAT THE WORK CONTINUES AND I APPRECIATE YOU COMING
15 DOWN TODAY. THAT'S ALL, THANK YOU. YEAH.

16

17 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
18 BOARD THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU 1 THROUGH 3, 5, AND
19 6, 8 AS REVISED 9 AS REVISED 10 TO 41, 1D THROUGH 3, D THESE
20 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVE BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEMS WITH THE
24 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
25 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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

3

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

5

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

7 SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

8

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

10

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

12 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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

17 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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21 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.

22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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1 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
2 CARRIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 4, ADVANCING A COMMUNITY
3 OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE AN ACT PROGRAM FOR UNINCORPORATED LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR
5 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS
6 ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR
7 PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. RAFAEL CARBAJAL, DIRECTOR OF
8 CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, MANUEL RUIZ, CHIEF POLICY
9 DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, MANUEL
10 RUIZ, CHIEF POLICY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
11 BUSINESS AFFAIRS, AND EMILIO SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ARE AVAILABLE FOR
13 QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR
14 NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND FIRST OF ALL, I WANT
17 TO THANK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL FOR JOINING ME ON THIS VERY
18 IMPORTANT EFFORT BEFORE US. YOU KNOW, ADVANCING A COMMUNITY
19 OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT KNOWN AS COPA FOR THE
20 UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS, I THINK, A SENSIBLE
21 APPROACH FOR A POTENTIAL ALSO TENANT OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE
22 ACT KNOWN AS TOPA FOR OUR FUTURE. I WANT TO THANK DCBA
23 DIRECTOR RAFAEL CARBAJAL AND LACTA DIRECTOR EMILIO SALAS AND
24 ALL OF YOUR TEAMS AND COUNTY COUNSEL FOR HELPING US MOVE
25 FORWARD WITH THIS MOTION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK OTHER RELATED



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1 DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND
2 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE WHO WILL BE HELPING US WITH THIS IMPORTANT
3 EFFORT. COLLEAGUES, WE ALL KNOW THAT THERE'S A BIG EFFORT
4 GOING ON RIGHT NOW AND AN IMPORTANT ONE IN OUR COMMUNITIES IN
5 THAT WHAT THEY'RE ASKING US TO DO IS HELP THEM SECURE HOUSING,
6 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. JUST TAKE A LOOK AT SOME OF THE SLIDES
7 THAT YOU'LL SEE BEFORE US TODAY. COLLEAGUES, I WANT TO BRING
8 YOUR ATTENTION TO SOME SLIDES THAT WERE DISPLAYED AS EXAMPLES
9 AT EIGHT SITES ACROSS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT WERE
10 PURCHASED THROUGH THE 2020 LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY LAND
11 TRUST PARTNERSHIP BY MISSION-DRIVEN ENTITIES WHERE
12 AFFORDABILITY IS PRESERVED IN PERPETUITY AND PROPERTIES ARE
13 STEWARDED BY TENANTS AND COMMUNITY. THE COPPA EFFORT TAKES IT
14 UP A NOTCH. BACK IN 2021, WHEN THE BOARD ADOPTED MY 1ST MOTION
15 TO BEGIN EXPLORING A TOPA OR COPA, THE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
16 CRISIS WAS VERY INTENSE, AND WE SEE IT CONTINUING TODAY.
17 UNFORTUNATELY, CONDITIONS HAVEN'T CHANGED THAT MUCH OR
18 IMPROVED SINCE THAT TIME ON HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND IN FACT
19 THAT'S ONE OF THE MAIN DISCUSSION ITEMS BACK IN DC RIGHT NOW
20 AS WELL AS HERE IN OUR STATE. THE COUNTY AS YOU KNOW IS FACING
21 RISING DISPLACEMENT PRESSURES AS RENTS OUTPACE INCOMES. MORE
22 THAN HALF OF RENTERS ARE RENT BURDENED. AND YOU'VE HEARD THE
23 STATISTICS. THIRTY EIGHT PERCENT OF HOMES ARE RENTER OCCUPIED,
24 INCLUDING 9,000 MOBILE HOME SPACES THAT ARE ESPECIALLY
25 VULNERABLE WITH RESIDENTS REPRESENTING OUR AFRICAN AMERICAN



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1 AND LATINO HOUSEHOLDS WHICH ARE MOST IMPACTED. CORPORATE
2 OWNERSHIP HAS INCREASED POST-20, I'M SORRY, 2008 WITH LARGER
3 OWNERS DRIVING HIGHER SALE PRICES, AGGRESSIVE RENT INCREASES,
4 AND EVICTION PRACTICES. WE NEED TO FIGHT, AND WE NEED TO HAVE
5 TOOLS TO KEEP PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES. COPA PROVIDES A MISSION-
6 DRIVEN ORGANIZATION, INCLUDING COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS AND
7 NONPROFIT DEVELOPERS, TO HAVE A FAIR CHANCE TO BUY BUILDINGS
8 WHEN THEY GO UP FOR SALE, PRESERVING AFFORDABILITY IN
9 PERPETUITY, PREVENTING THAT DISPLACEMENT AND HOMELESSNESS, AND
10 PROMOTING HOUSING STABILITY. TOPA, IF PURSUED IN A FUTURE
11 PHASE, WOULD BUILD ON THE COPA FRAMEWORK BY PROVIDING TENANTS
12 AND TENANT GROUPS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE THEIR
13 BUILDINGS, EITHER DIRECTLY OR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A QUALIFIED
14 NONPROFIT OR COMMUNITY-BASED HOUSING PARTNER. BACK IN 2023,
15 DCBA AND HRNA ADVISORS RELEASED THEIR REPORT WITH
16 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A HYBRID TOPA AND COPA FRAMEWORK. TODAY'S
17 MOTION BEFORE US IS ADVANCING CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
18 THAT REPORT. ALTHOUGH A COMBINED TOPA AND COPA WOULD BE A
19 STRONG COMPLEMENTARY STRATEGY FOR ADDRESSING DISPLACEMENT
20 PRESSURES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, MY MOTION ALSO
21 RECOGNIZES THE COUNTY'S CURRENT BUDGETARY CHALLENGES.
22 COLLEAGUES, THE IDEA IS TO START SMALL. MY MOTION MOVES
23 FORWARD A THOUGHTFUL PHASED APPROACH STARTING WITH AN
24 ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT COPA FOR UNINCORPORATED AREAS BEFORE
25 IMPLEMENTING THE TOPA PROGRAM. AND IT ALSO STARTS WITH THE



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1 SMALLER UNIVERSE OF RENTAL PROPERTIES, SPECIFICALLY PROPERTIES
2 WITH FIVE UNITS OR MORE IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WHERE WE
3 TYPICALLY SEE 30 TO 130 SALE TRANSACTIONS ANNUALLY AND
4 RECOGNIZES THAT NOT ALL TRANSACTIONS WILL RESULT IN COPPA
5 PURCHASE, ONLY THOSE THAT ARE FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE. THE PHASED
6 APPROACH ALSO ALLOWS US TO ESTABLISH FOUNDATIONAL SYSTEMS
7 BEFORE EVALUATING WHETHER AND HOW TO ADD TOPA IN THE FUTURE. A
8 COPA WOULD HELP HOUSEHOLDS STABILIZE, PREVENT DISPLACEMENT AND
9 HOMELESSNESS, PROMOTE LONG-TERM IN PERPETUITY HOUSING
10 AFFORDABILITY, AND PROVIDE POTENTIAL COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING
11 OPPORTUNITIES. AND WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THAT EVEN BEFORE THE
12 PANDEMIC. AND NOW I SEE IT AS SOMETHING EVEN MORE ESSENTIAL
13 WITH ALL THE FIRES AND DISPLACEMENTS HAPPENING IN THE COUNTY,
14 AS WELL AS WHAT WE JUST EXPERIENCED IN EAST LOS ANGELES WHERE
15 PEOPLE WERE IMPACTED EVEN IN THEIR APARTMENTS AND HOUSING
16 UNITS BECAUSE OF THE BOYLE HEIGHTS FIRE. BUT BEFORE FINISHING
17 MY REMARKS AND BEFORE I TURN TO MY CO-AUTHOR I DID WANT TO ASK
18 SOME QUESTIONS CONSIDERING SOME OF THE COMMENTS THAT MY OFFICE
19 HAD HAVE RECEIVED REGARDING THIS ITEM. SO MY FIRST QUESTION IS
20 FOR DIRECTOR CARBAJAL. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE ON YOUR STAFF.
21 CAN YOU PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ENGAGEMENT ON THE INITIAL STUDY
22 AND HOW YOU PLAN TO BUILD ON THAT AND WHAT WE ARE NOW ASKING
23 YOU TO DO TODAY.

24
25 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS.

2
3 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
4 BUSINESS AFFAIRS APPRECIATE BEING PART OF THIS CONVERSATION
5 AND THIS DISCUSSION. I'M GOING TO ASK MANNY RUIZ, MY
6 COLLEAGUE, TO TAKE THE 1ST CRACK AT THE QUESTION. HE HAS BEEN
7 LEADING THIS EFFORT SINCE THE ONSET OF THE INITIAL EVALUATION.
8

9 **MANUEL RUIZ:** SO GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. MANNY RUIZ, CHIEF OF
10 THE PUBLIC POLICY DIVISION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
11 BUSINESS AFFAIRS. SO AS PART OF OUR 2023 TOPA ASSESSMENT
12 REPORT, WE CONDUCTED A VERY EXTENSIVE AND ROBUST ENGAGEMENT
13 PROCESS, COLLECTED FEEDBACK FROM STAKEHOLDER GROUPS TO INFORM
14 THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WENT INTO THE FRAMEWORK. AND SO THIS
15 EXTENSIVE ENGAGEMENT THAT WE CONDUCTED REALLY TARGETED THREE
16 KEY STAKEHOLDER GROUPS, WHICH INCLUDED TENANT LEADERS, TENANT
17 ORGANIZERS, COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS, NONPROFIT, COMMUNITY-BASED
18 ORGANIZATIONS, PROPERTY OWNERS, REAL ESTATE REPRESENTATIVES,
19 THAT INCLUDED ALSO THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATIONS AT THE STATE AND
20 LOCAL LEVEL, IN ADDITION TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPERS IN
21 THE REGION, INCLUSIVE AGAIN OF FOR-PROFIT AND NONPROFIT
22 HOUSING DEVELOPERS. AND SO WE INVITED OVER 158 REPRESENTATIVES
23 FROM ALL THESE STAKEHOLDER GROUPS THAT ATTENDED ONE OF FIVE
24 VIRTUAL STAKEHOLDER SESSIONS WHERE WE HELD TWO FOR THE TENANT
25 ADVOCATES, TWO FOR THE PROPERTY OWNER GROUPS AND REAL ESTATE



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1 PROFESSIONALS, AND ONE FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPERS.
2 AND SO AS PART OF THAT ENGAGEMENT PROCESS, WE SAW
3 REPRESENTATIVES FROM OVER 35 DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS
4 ATTENDING, WHICH INCLUDED THE CALIFORNIA APARTMENT
5 ASSOCIATION, THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE GREATER LOS
6 ANGELES AREA, THE LOS ANGELES REALTOR ASSOCIATION, THE MARINA
7 DEL REY LESSEES, IN ADDITION TO VARIOUS COMMUNITY-BASED
8 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE L.A. TENANTS UNION, INQUILINOS
9 UNIDOS, TRUST SOUTH L.A., EASTSIDE LEEDS, AND COMMUNITY LAND
10 TRUSTS LIKE THE BEVERLY, VERMONT COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, GENESIS
11 L.A., THE COALITION FOR RESPONSIBLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
12 PARTNERS, ET CETERA. SO WE PLAN TO BUILD ON THAT VERY ROBUST
13 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS THAT WE CONDUCTED THREE, FOUR YEARS AGO. WE
14 WANT TO BUILD ON THE STRATEGIES THAT WERE OUTLINED IN THE
15 REPORT FROM THREE YEARS AGO WHILE REALLY FOCUSING AND
16 EMPHASIZING A COPA STRATEGY. SO REALLY FOCUSING ON HOW WE WILL
17 OPERATIONALIZE A COPA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGION WHILE
18 ALSO LOOKING AT OTHER JURISDICTIONS SO THAT WE COULD TRY TO
19 MINIMIZE ANY POTENTIAL DELAYS TO THE EXISTING SALE PROCESS.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY.

22
23 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** AND I THINK WHAT WE COULD SEE IS THAT WE
24 UNDERTOOK A PRETTY ROBUST PROCESS AND WHAT WE'RE LEARNING NOW
25 AND THIS MOTION ACTUALLY ACKNOWLEDGES IS THIS IS AN ONGOING



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1 CONVERSATION. CONVERSATIONS THAT HAVE HAPPENED AFTER THE
2 RELEASE OF THE ORIGINAL REPORT, CONVERSATIONS THAT HAPPENED AT
3 CLUSTER, CONVERSATIONS THAT ARE HAPPENING TODAY. AND THIS IS
4 ALL INFORMATION WE'RE GOING TO TAKE BACK AND INCLUDE AS PART
5 OF THE REASSESSMENT PROCESS.

6
7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO RAFAEL I MENTIONED EARLIER THE
8 CHALLENGES WE FACE BUDGETARILY WHAT CAN WE LEVERAGE WHAT ARE
9 THE SOURCES OF FUNDING CAN WE LEVERAGE FOR EXAMPLE LACAHSO OR
10 EVEN THE PROPOSED HOUSING BOND THAT'S ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT
11 BEFORE US? CAN YOU RESPOND TO THAT?

12
13 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YEAH, NO, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. AND
14 THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION BECAUSE THE REAL PURPOSE
15 AROUND COPA IS PROVIDING A TRUE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE. AND
16 IT'S ONLY MEANINGFUL IF THEY HAVE THE RESOURCES TO ACTUALLY
17 ACT ON THAT OPPORTUNITY. AND I THINK WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IS
18 STRIKING WHILE THE OPPORTUNITY EXISTS, IN PARTICULAR, WHERE WE
19 HAVE THE DOLLARS FOR MEASURE A, INCLUDING LACAHSO, THE
20 INVESTMENTS THAT THE COUNTY'S ALREADY MAKING IN THIS SPACE,
21 AND THE INTEREST FROM PHILANTHROPIC COMMUNITY TO ADVANCE SOME
22 OF THESE EFFORTS. SO THE REALITY IS WHEN ENTITIES COME INTO
23 THIS OPPORTUNITY, THEY'RE ALREADY LEVERAGING EXISTING
24 RESOURCES AND MARKET PRODUCTS THAT ALREADY EXIST TO BRING A
25 PURCHASE SUCH AS THIS TO FRUITION. WE ALREADY SEE THAT ON A



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1 REGULAR BASIS WHEN WE SEE OUR DEVELOPERS APPLYING FOR OUR NO-
2 FUZZ, OUR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRODUCTION OPPORTUNITIES, SOME OF
3 THE EXAMPLES THAT YOU SHARED WITH THE CLTS. SO THIS IS ALREADY
4 AN EXISTING RESOURCE THAT'S OUT THERE THAT WE'RE JUST TRYING
5 TO CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TRYING
6 TO PURCHASE SOME OF THESE PROPERTIES.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO ASK
9 DR. DIRECTOR SALAS. BUT I SEE YOU AS A DOCTOR. YOU'RE VERY,
10 VERY WELL KNOWN IN YOUR AREA. I WANT TO ASK YOU, GIVEN THAT WE
11 PLAN TO ESTABLISH PRE-QUALIFIED LISTS OF MISSION-DRIVEN
12 PURCHASERS, WHAT DO YOU SEE IS IMPORTANT TO HELP US IN
13 EVALUATING AND SELECTING THOSE PURCHASERS? WHAT ARE SOME OF
14 THOSE ELEMENTS?

15

16 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR, MADAM
17 CHAIR, EMILIO SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. SO WE INITIALLY WANT TO DEVELOP A BENCH
19 OF POTENTIAL PURCHASERS WHO WE WOULD PRE-QUALIFY THROUGH AN
20 OPEN SOLICITATION. THESE ENTITIES WOULD BE NON-PROFITS WHOSE
21 ACTIVITY CENTERS AROUND PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF
22 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND WE THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THIS
23 BENCH BE PRE-QUALIFIED TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE TRANSACTIONS
24 ARE SUCCESSFUL. WE WILL BE LOOKING AT THINGS LIKE DEMONSTRATED
25 EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THEIR FINANCIAL



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1 CAPACITY TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THESE TRANSACTIONS, THE FACT THAT
2 THEY'RE MISSION DRIVEN AND THAT THEY HAVE THE STAFFING
3 AVAILABLE TO COMPLETE THESE TRANSACTIONS.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT
6 OVERALL THE MOTION HAS FOUR DIRECTIVES, AND IF I CAN I'D LIKE
7 TO EXPRESS THEM. IT DIRECTS DCBA AND RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO
8 REPORT BACK IN 180 DAYS WITH A COPA PROGRAM ORDINANCE,
9 INCLUDING A PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH STRATEGY, WHICH I
10 KNOW YOU'RE FULLY AWARE OF, TO PROVIDE ADVANCE NOTICE OF ANY
11 COPA ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS AND COMPLIANCE. AND IT DIRECTS
12 DCBA AND RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT BACK IN 120 DAYS WITH
13 THE REASSESSMENT OF THE 2023 DCBA AND HR AND ADVISORS REPORT
14 CONSIDERING CERTAIN PARAMETERS AND IT DIRECTS OUR CEO TO
15 REPORT BACK IN 180 DAYS ON POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR
16 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COPA PROGRAM, AND GRANTS DELEGATED
17 AUTHORITY TO DCBA TO CONTRACT WITH CONSULTANTS TO CARRY OUT
18 THOSE DIRECTIVES. AND COLLEAGUES, I WOULD JUST SAY IN CLOSING,
19 AS WE CONTINUE TO CONTEND WITH THE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
20 CRISIS, COPA IS ONE OF THOSE TOOLS IN OUR TOOL CHEST THAT I
21 KNOW WILL HELP US DECREASE THE COST OF HOUSING AND PROVIDE
22 RELIEF FOR SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS THAT WE KNOW
23 ARE HERE TODAY WITH US AND THAT WE REPRESENT IN OUR RESPECTIVE
24 DISTRICT. SO I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE AND LET US
25 LIFT UP THOSE LOW-INCOME RENTERS WHO IN MANY CASES HAVE BEEN



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1 LIVING IN THESE DWELLINGS FOR MAYBE 30 OR EVEN LONGER YEARS,
2 INTERGENERATIONAL, AND NOW MAY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO OWN THE
3 PROPERTY AND CREATE THEIR OWN ASSETS AND WEALTH. SO WITH THAT
4 I WILL TURN IT OVER TO MY CO-AUTHOR SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THANK
5 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

6

7 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND I
8 APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD AND ALLOWING ME TO
9 CO-AUTHOR IT. THANK YOU FOR THE IMAGES AND THE PICTURES. FOR
10 ME, I OFTEN TALK ABOUT BEING A PRODUCT OF LEIMERT PARK, GREW
11 UP IN A NINE-UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING, ENDED UP IN LEIMERT PARK
12 BECAUSE MY PARENTS WERE REDLINED OUT OF THE JUNGLE. AND SO
13 WHEN I WALK AROUND THAT COMMUNITY OR DRIVE THROUGH THE
14 COMMUNITY TODAY, IT'S NOT UNINCORPORATED, IT'S L.A. CITY, BUT
15 WHEN I WALK THROUGH THE JUNGLE, A LARGE, YOU KNOW, PLANNED
16 APARTMENT COMMUNITY IN THE '50S, I AM STRUCK BY THE NUMBER OF
17 SIGNS THAT REFLECT CORPORATE OWNERSHIP, BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT
18 THE CASE WHEN I WAS GROWING UP. THEY WERE SMALL UNITS, YOU
19 KNOW, OFTEN 10, 12 AND FEWER THAT WERE MOM AND POP OWNED,
20 OWNED IN MANY INSTANCES BY PEOPLE OF COLOR. AND AGAIN, IN MY
21 DISTRICT, ONE OF THE LAST SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITIES OF
22 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO I APPRECIATE THE IMAGING BECAUSE THAT
23 TRIGGERED FOR ME MY OWN LIVED EXPERIENCE. AGAIN, THIS MOTION
24 REPRESENTS A MEANINGFUL STEP IN EXPANDING THE COUNTY'S TOOLBOX
25 FOR HOUSING STABILITY AND CREATING INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR



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1 PATHWAYS TO OWNERSHIP. IT PROVIDES AN IMPORTANT TOOL TO COMBAT
2 DISPLACEMENT AND HOUSING INSECURITY FOR RENTERS IN OUR
3 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THE MOST IMPORTANT FEATURE OF THE
4 COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES TO PURCHASE ACT, COPA, THE ORDINANCE
5 IS THE REGULATORY CHANGE THAT ENSURES TENANTS AND MISSION-
6 DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVE NOTICE WHEN A PROPERTY IS OFFERED
7 FOR VOLUNTARY SALE. I'LL REPEAT THAT, OFFERED FOR VOLUNTARY
8 SALE. THIS NOTICE GIVES MISSION-DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS THE
9 OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE RENTAL PROPERTIES, HELPING TENANTS
10 REMAIN IN THEIR HOMES, PRESERVING STABILITY, PREVENTING
11 DISPLACEMENT, AND KEEPING RESIDENTS ROOTED IN THEIR COMMUNITY.
12 SO I APPRECIATE BOTH THE STRONG SUPPORT FROM RENTERS AND
13 TENANTS ADVOCATES FOR THIS MOTION AND THE SERIOUS CONCERN
14 RAISED BY PROPERTY OWNERS. THIS MOTION IS NOT ABOUT TAKING
15 PROPERTY, FORCING A SALE, OR PREVENTING A SALE. IT'S ABOUT
16 CREATING A FAIR AND TRANSPARENT PROCESS FOR WHEN AN OWNER
17 CHOOSES TO SELL WHILE ALSO BUILDING THE FINANCING AND
18 IMPLEMENTATION STRUCTURE NEEDED TO MAKE THAT PROCESS WORK
19 EFFECTIVELY. OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO BALANCE HOUSING
20 STABILITY, OWNER CERTAINTY, AND THE LONG-TERM HEALTH OF OUR
21 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, OF WHICH I REPRESENT MANY. THE
22 CONCERNS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING THE SPEED OF
23 TRANSACTIONS AND WHETHER ORGANIZATIONS OR TENANTS CAN MOVE
24 QUICKLY ENOUGH ARE FAIR. AND THAT'S WHY I THINK YOU'VE TALKED
25 ABOUT IT, DCBA, ALONG WITH OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AND WORKING



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1 WITH THE NEW KID ON THE BLOCK, LACAUSA, WHO IS MOVING AT THE
2 SPEED OF LIGHT, WHICH IS A GREAT THING, THAT YOU ALL ARE
3 DEVELOPING THE ACQUISITION FUND TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY LAND
4 TRUSTS AND NATURALLY OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO THIS
5 FUND WILL HELP ENSURE ACCESSIBLE CAPITAL IS AVAILABLE TO
6 FACILITATE TIMELY PURCHASES. IN DC AND SAN FRANCISCO, IT WAS
7 THE PAIRING OF HOUSING FINANCING TOOLS WITH COPA POLICIES THAT
8 GAVE ORGANIZATIONS THE SPEED AND CERTAINTY THEY NEEDED TO
9 COMPETE. AND THERE ARE LOTS OF REALLY GOOD EXAMPLES IN THOSE
10 TWO AREAS. AND SO AGAIN, TODAY'S MOTION PROPOSES BUILDING THAT
11 INFRASTRUCTURE HERE IN OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. TOPA
12 AND COPA PROGRAMS ALSO SUPPORT AGING MOM AND POP LANDLORDS
13 WHO'VE LONG MAINTAINED AFFORDABLE RENTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND
14 WHO WOULD VERY LIKELY PREFER NOT TO HAVE TO SELL TO CORPORATE
15 BUYERS. THESE PROGRAMS CREATE AN ALTERNATIVE PATHWAY WHERE
16 THEY CAN SELL AT MARKET RATE AND KEEP UNITS AFFORDABLE AND
17 RETIRE IF THEY NO LONGER CHOOSE TO BE PROPERTY OWNERS. I'VE
18 HEARD TWO SPECIFIC ISSUES FROM PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE
19 APARTMENT ASSOCIATIONS THAT I WOULD LOVE TO SEE INCLUDED IN
20 THE REPORT BACK. AND THEY INCLUDE AN OPTION WHERE PROPERTIES
21 ARE CO-LISTED ON THE OPEN MARKET WHILE TENANTS AND MISSION-
22 DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS SIMULTANEOUSLY RECEIVE NOTICE OF SALE AND
23 AN OPTION WHERE THE COUNTY IS INCLUDED AS ONE OF THE ELIGIBLE
24 PURCHASING ENTITIES. IF THOSE OPTIONS COULD BE LOOKED INTO AND
25 INCLUDED IN THE REPORT, I'D APPRECIATE THAT. WITH THAT, THANK



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1 YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE VISION AROUND THIS MOTION AND BRINGING
2 COPA TO L.A. COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. SUPERVISOR
3 SOLIS, I'M PROUD TO JOIN YOU IN THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, THE CREDIT GOES
6 TO THE COMMUNITY, TO BE HONEST, THOSE GROUPS THAT HELPED US
7 FORM THIS SEVERAL YEARS AGO. AND I WANT TO THANK THEM AND
8 REALLY THE TRUST OF THE COUNTY TOO FOR HELPING US DO THESE
9 PILOTED PROGRAMS. AND WHAT I HAVE SEEN PERSONALLY, FIRSTHAND
10 FROM THE FAMILIES HAS JUST BEEN INCREDIBLE BECAUSE THE SENSE
11 OF OWNERSHIP LIVING IN A DWELLING THAT PERHAPS YOUR FAMILY,
12 YOU WERE BORN THERE EVEN, AND CAN POTENTIALLY BE PASSED ALONG
13 TO YOUR FAMILY IS SOMETHING GREAT. THAT IS STILL PART OF THE
14 AMERICAN DREAM, I BELIEVE, FOR MANY OF OUR FAMILIES. SO THANK
15 YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR YOUR COMMENTS. LET ME GO TO OUR OTHER
16 MEMBERS THAT WANT TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM. WE HAVE SUPERVISOR
17 BARGER.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
21 FORWARD. I AGREE. THE GOAL IS, I MEAN WE TALKED ABOUT THIS
22 WHEN WE HAD CONCERNS REGARDING RENT FORBEARANCE AND ALL AS IT
23 RELATES TO CORPORATE BUYOUT. AND IT IMPACTS JUST,
24 UNFORTUNATELY, THE MOM-AND-POP APARTMENT OWNERS THAT CAN'T
25 SURVIVE ON THE RENT THAT'S COMING IN BECAUSE WE PUT CAPS ON



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1 IT. AND SO I AM VERY COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT I WOULD RATHER
2 SEE US PUT TOGETHER A PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
3 THE TYPE OF NONPROFITS THAT COPA IS LOOKING AT. YOU KNOW, I
4 HAD A QUESTION FOR YOU JUST TO GET SOME CLARIFICATION IN TERMS
5 OF MISSION-DRIVEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORGANIZATION OR ENTITIES,
6 WHAT EXACTLY, COULD YOU DEFINE EXACTLY WHAT THAT IS?

7
8 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. THIS
9 IS SOMETHING WE WILL CLARIFY IN THE REASSESSMENT AND REFINE.
10 LIKE EMILE MENTIONED EARLIER, GENERALLY WHEN WE ARE REFERRING
11 TO MISSION-DRIVEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS, WE ARE
12 TALKING ABOUT ORGANIZATIONS' PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO DEVELOP,
13 ACQUIRE, ORIABILITY, AND ARE COMMITTED TO THE LONG-TERM
14 PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING RATHER THAN MAXIMIZING
15 PROFITS. THESE ARE TYPICAL NONPROFIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING
16 DEVELOPERS, COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS, MISSION-ORIENTED PROVIDERS,
17 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, FOR PROFIT OR NON-PROFIT, THAT REINVEST
18 THE RESOURCES IN PRESERVING THESE PROPERTIES. SO THESE ARE THE
19 FOLKS THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, A TRUE
20 OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO ATTAIN SOME OF THESE PROPERTIES.

21
22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, I MEAN, I THINK IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY,
23 ESPECIALLY AS YOU POINTED OUT WITH LACAHSA, JUST STARTING TO
24 GET THE MEASURE A MONIES AND RELEASING FUNDING PROGRAMS. IT'S
25 AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE THAT FORWARD. I KNOW DCBA IS ACTIVELY



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1 RUNNING OUR EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF PROGRAMS AND UTILIZING THE
2 COST OF DOLLARS FOR PREVENTION SERVICES. SO I WANT TO MAKE
3 SURE THAT WE'RE NOT COMPETING OR UNDERMINING OTHER PROGRAMS.
4 AND I KNOW LACDA AND DCBA ARE BOTH INVOLVED IN 5TH DISTRICT
5 PROGRAMS FOR ALTADENA RESIDENTS WHERE WE'RE SUPPORTING
6 RESIDENTS AND REBUILDING AFTER THE EDEN FIRE. AGAIN, I WANT TO
7 MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S CLARITY IN TERMS OF THE MONIES THAT ARE
8 GOING TO BE ALLOCATED. IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU'VE ALREADY
9 THOUGHT THAT THROUGH.

10

11 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** SO ABSOLUTELY. WE'VE ACTUALLY MET WITH A
12 NUMBER OF GROUPS WHO ARE TRYING TO ORGANIZE AROUND SOME OF THE
13 PURCHASING OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE HAPPENING IN ALTADENA, IN
14 PARTICULAR IN RESPONSE TO CORPORATIONS COMING IN AND TRYING TO
15 BUY THAT UP. THERE'S BEEN SOME NATURAL WORK HAPPENING THERE,
16 AND THIS WILL ONLY HELP SUPPORT THAT AND ADVANCE SOME OF THAT.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** FANTASTIC AND THANK YOU TO YOU AND YOUR
19 TEAM FOR THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE GIVEN TO THE ALTADENA
20 RESIDENTS. YOU CONTINUE TO SHOW UP AND IT IS NOT LOST ON ME
21 HOW MUCH YOUR STAFF IS INVESTED IN ALTADENA AND SO I
22 APPRECIATE THAT. IN TERMS OF OTHER MODELS, I KNOW, AND I DON'T
23 KNOW IF YOU CAN TALK ABOUT THIS, BUT IN WASHINGTON, DC, THIS
24 HAS BEEN, THEY IMPLEMENTED THE TOPA REGULATIONS MORE THAN 40
25 YEARS AGO. AND LAST YEAR, THEY MOVED TO SCALE THE PROGRAM



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1 BACK, CITING THERE WERE DELAYS AND COMPLICATIONS THAT THE
2 CRITICS HAVE RAISED. I MEAN, CAN YOU TALK ABOUT THAT?

3

4 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** SURE. SO I THINK WHAT YOU'RE SEEING HERE IN
5 THIS MOTION WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH COPA
6 IS A RESPONSE TO WHAT WE'VE LEARNED, BOTH FROM THE RESEARCH
7 THAT WAS HAPPENING ON THE GROUND AND MADE SOME ADJUSTMENTS,
8 AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE MOVING IN THIS DIRECTION. AND ACTUALLY, I
9 CAN ASK MY COLLEAGUE, MANNY, TO BRIEFLY DESCRIBE SOME OF THE
10 WORK IN SAN FRANCISCO.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THANK YOU.

13

14 **MANUEL RUIZ:** YEAH. SO IN SAN FRANCISCO, WHAT WE SEE WITH THEIR
15 COPA IS THEY HAVE A VERY TRUNCATED PROCESS FOR PROVIDING
16 QUALIFIED PURCHASES WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE. AND SO
17 IN THEIR MODEL, THEY'RE OFFERING FIVE DAYS TO THESE QUALIFIED
18 PURCHASERS TO RESPOND WITH A LETTER OF INTEREST, AND THEN THEY
19 ONLY HAVE 20 DAYS AFTER THAT TO FULLY ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY
20 OF PURCHASING AND TO PROVIDE AN OFFER. SO IT IS A VERY SHORT
21 TIMELINE, IT'S VERY AGGRESSIVE, AND IT DOES IMPACT SMALLER
22 NONPROFITS. BUT IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE ARE DEFINITELY GOING
23 TO LOOK AT AND INCLUDE AS PART OF A REASSESSMENT REPORT SO
24 THAT WE CAN PROPOSE A FRAMEWORK THAT MINIMIZES THE DELAYS IN
25 THE MARKET.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SO, MANNY, THANK YOU. SO WHEN SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL BROUGHT IN OR WANTED TO ADD SOMETHING AS IT RELATES
4 TO PARALLEL TRACKS. WOULD THAT ADDRESS THAT?

5

6 **MANUEL RUIZ:** YES, YES IT WOULD.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I LIKE THAT. I THINK, AND I WANT TO MAKE
9 IT CLEAR, THIS IS NOT ABOUT EMINENT DOMAIN. THIS IS ABOUT
10 LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT WANT OR
11 ENTITIES THAT WANT TO PURCHASE THAT CAN'T COMPETE WITH THE
12 CORPORATE PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING IN AND BUYING OUT MOST OF OUR
13 RENTAL MARKET, CORRECT?

14

15 **MANUEL RUIZ:** YES, WE DEFINITELY WANT TO PROPOSE A FRAMEWORK
16 THAT TAKES A LOOK AT ALL THE OPTIONS AND REALLY TRIES TO
17 MAXIMIZE THE GOAL OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION WHILE
18 MINIMIZING THE IMPACTS TO THE OPEN MARKET.

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** AND IF I MAY, I THINK IT'S WORTH SAYING THAT
23 WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS, THE TIMING
24 AROUND THAT MATTERS TO BOTH THE SELLERS AND THE BUYERS.

25



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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CORRECT.

2

3 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** SO WHEN WE GO BACK AND MAKE THIS
4 REASSESSMENT, THE INTENT IS TO COME BACK WITH A FRAMEWORK THAT
5 REALLY BALANCES THAT WHILE STILL PRESERVING A MEANINGFUL
6 OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE SOME OF THESE PROPERTIES.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AND YOU'VE GOT THE APPRAISED VALUE FOR
9 PROPERTIES. AND IF, I MEAN, WHICH HAPPENS QUITE OFTEN,
10 UNFORTUNATELY, THESE BIDDING WARS GO ON, HOW WILL THAT WORK
11 OUT AS IT RELATES TO THE APPRAISAL OF THE PROPERTY VERSUS THE
12 ACTUAL PURCHASE PRICE OR DOES THAT COME INTO PLAY?

13

14 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YEAH, SO THIS DOESN'T LIMIT THE PURCHASE
15 PRICE. THIS ONLY CREATES AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE A PROPERTY
16 AT MARKET RATE.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AT MARKET RATE.

19

20 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** AT MARKET RATE. SO WE'RE NOT CAPPING THE
21 VALUE OF THE PROPERTY WHATSOEVER.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE I KNOW
24 WE GOT LETTERS FROM THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATION AND ALL AND I
25 ACTUALLY, I'M REALLY TORN ON THIS BECAUSE ON ONE HAND THEY



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1 COME AND TESTIFY ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE'RE PUSHING MOM AND
2 POPS OUT AND THIS IS AND IN CORPORATIONS IN AND ACTUALLY WHAT
3 THIS WOULD DO IF I UNDERSTAND IT CORRECTLY WOULD ACTUALLY
4 PRESERVE AND PROTECT THOSE MOM AND POPS FROM BEING BOUGHT UP
5 BY ONE ENTITY THAT'S GOING TO, YOU KNOW, THAT COULD QUARTER
6 THE MARKET ON RENTAL PROPERTY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, CORRECT?

7

8 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** YES, AS IT IS A FAIR INTERPRETATION.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. AND THEN FINALLY, THIS MOTION ASKS
11 COUNTY COUNSEL TO RETURN WITH AN ORDINANCE, AND IT'S A REPORT
12 BACK IN 180 DAYS. BUT THERE'S STILL SOME, AND I'M GOING TO
13 ANSWER QUESTIONS, MANNY, AND YOU SAID THAT YOU ALL ARE GOING
14 TO BE LOOKING INTO LIKE WHAT SAN FRANCISCO DID, AND THEN
15 LESSONS LEARNED FROM WASHINGTON, DC, AS IT RELATES TO
16 TIMEFRAME REQUIREMENTS. CAN YOU PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A
17 REGULAR REPORT BACK PRIOR TO THE 180 DAY WHEN IT'S GOING TO BE
18 PUT INTO AN ORDINANCE, MAYBE LIKE EVERY 60 DAYS OR SO WITH AN
19 UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS AND INDICATOR OF WHAT WILL BE INCLUDED
20 IN THE ORDINANCE SO THAT WE GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING IN
21 TERMS OF WHERE YOU ARE AND HOW YOU'RE PROCEEDING?

22

23 **MANUEL RUIZ:** YEAH, WE'D BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE VERBAL UPDATES. I
24 THINK THE HOUSING CLUSTER WOULD PROBABLY BE THE BEST
25 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO THAT EVERY 60 DAYS.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** PERFECT, BECAUSE WE'RE GETTING A REPORT,
3 BUT IT'S ALSO BEING A REPORT PUT INTO AN ORDINANCE, WHICH IS
4 SOMETHING WE WOULD ACT ON. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE
5 INPUT AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING AS IT RELATES TO THE FINAL
6 ORDINANCE. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
7 BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I'M INTRIGUED BY IT. AND I THINK IT'S
8 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS AS
9 IT RELATES TO PROTECTING THE MOM AND POPS AND PROTECTING THOSE
10 PEOPLE THAT WANT AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND FIRST, I REALLY DO
15 WANT TO THANK YOU AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR BRINGING
16 THIS MOTION FORWARD. PRESERVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS ONE OF
17 THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAYS WE CAN PREVENT DISPLACEMENT AND
18 MAINTAIN STABLE COMMUNITIES AND ADDRESS OUR HOMELESSNESS
19 CRISIS. EVERY APARTMENT BUILDING WE PRESERVE FOR AFFORDABLE
20 HOUSING IS ONE LESS BUILDING WE HAVE TO REPLACE AND EVERY
21 FAMILY THAT CAN REMAIN IN THEIR HOME IS A FAMILY THAT HAS A
22 BETTER CHANCE TO THRIVE. AS I REVIEWED THIS MOTION, I ALSO
23 SPENT SOME TIME ALONG WITH IVAN LOOKING AT SAN FRANCISCO'S
24 EXPERIENCE WITH ITS COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT. AND
25 ONE OF THE BIGGEST LESSONS I TOOK AWAY FROM THIS TYPE OF



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1 PROGRAM IS THAT THEY'RE MOST SUCCESSFUL WHEN THEY ARE BUILT ON
2 COMMUNICATION, STRONG PARTNERSHIPS, AND SAN FRANCISCO
3 DEFINITELY HAD A STRONG FINANCING INFRASTRUCTURE BUILT IN
4 BEFORE I THINK THEY INTRODUCED THEIR ORDINANCE. AND SO I
5 APPRECIATE THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE A PART OF WHAT WE'RE
6 LOOKING AT, AND I APPRECIATE THE AUTHORS ACCEPTING MY
7 AMENDMENT DIRECTING DCBA TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PUBLIC
8 EDUCATION AND OUTREACH STRATEGY WITH SPECIFIC EFFORTS TO
9 ENGAGE OUR LANDLORDS. OUR LANDLORDS ARE ESSENTIAL PARTNERS IN
10 THIS CONVERSATION AND WHETHER THEY OWN ONE RENTAL PROPERTY OR
11 MANY, THEY DESERVE TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS PROGRAM WORKS, WHAT
12 THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE, AND WHO THEY CAN TURN TO WHEN THEY
13 HAVE QUESTIONS. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE REALTORS INCLUDED
14 IN THE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT. THEY WEREN'T SPECIFICALLY
15 CALLED OUT, BUT I THINK THEY ALSO HAVE A HUGE ROLE TO PLAY IF
16 THIS IS GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL GOING FORWARD. AND YOU COULD
17 INCLUDE THAT IN THE REPORT BACK, HOW WE COULD DO THAT.
18 BUILDING THAT TRUST EARLY WILL MAKE IMPLEMENTATION SMOOTHER IN
19 MY OPINION AND HELP AVOID UNNECESSARY CONFUSION DOWN THE ROAD.
20 AND THEN I REALLY THINK THIS OUTREACH IS SO IMPORTANT TO THE
21 WHOLE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS VERY BOLD AND PROVOCATIVE, AS THE
22 CHAIR SAID, INITIATIVE. I REALLY BELIEVE IT'S THE RIGHT THING
23 FOR US TO DO. I THINK LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL AGAIN BE ON THE
24 FOREFRONT OF DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO PRESERVE HOUSING FOR
25 THOSE WHO HAVE COME TO RELY ON IT, PARTICULARLY AS IT'S



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1 AFFORDABLE. BUT WE'RE GOING TO NEED LANDLORDS, WE'RE GOING TO
2 NEED REALTORS, WE'RE GOING TO NEED EVERYBODY TO UNDERSTAND WHY
3 THIS IS IMPORTANT TO THE COUNTY. IF WE'RE GOING TO CREATE A
4 PROGRAM THAT PRESERVES AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE LONG TERM,
5 IT NEEDS TO BE ONE THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND AND ONE THAT'S
6 PREDICTABLE AND ONE THAT'S BUILT THROUGH COLLABORATION. AND
7 YEAH, FROM THE AMOUNT OF SOME OF MY EMAILS THAT I GOT OVER THE
8 WEEKEND, IT WAS CLEAR THERE WAS A LOT OF MISUNDERSTANDING,
9 MAYBE A LITTLE ANXIETY AND FEAR. AND I THINK WE CAN ASSUAGE
10 THAT AS WE GO FORWARD. APPRECIATE MY COLLEAGUES FOR BRINGING
11 THIS THOUGHTFUL PROPOSAL FORWARD AND I PLAN TO SUPPORT IT ALL
12 THE WAY TO ITS END. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO
17 THANK YOU AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS
18 MOTION TODAY. AS WE KNOW, L.A. COUNTY'S AFFORDABILITY CRISIS
19 DRIVES GENTRIFICATION, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY INSTABILITY, AND
20 OUR HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. WHILE WE NEED MORE HOUSING NOW, WE
21 ALSO NEED MORE TOOLS AND GUARDRAILS THAT PROTECT AFFORDABILITY
22 OF EXISTING HOUSING FOR WORKING ANGELENOS. WHEN A BUILDING IS
23 PUT UP FOR SALE, TENANTS CAN BE COERCED INTO TAKING BUYOUTS,
24 SUBJECTED TO LEGAL AND ILLEGAL RENT INCREASES, AND DISPLACED
25 ALTOGETHER IF THE BUILDING GETS TAKEN OFF THE RENTAL MARKET.



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1 TENANT AND COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT PROGRAMS ARE
2 TOOLS THAT CAN HELP STEM THE TIDE OF DISPLACEMENT BY CREATING
3 AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAINTAIN THOSE TENANCIES AND TO PRESERVE
4 EXISTING NATURALLY OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THIS MOTION
5 IS A GOOD FIRST STEP TO ESTABLISH A RIGHT OF FIRST OFFER AND A
6 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL FOR QUALIFIED NONPROFIT AND MISSION
7 DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS. THESE ORGANIZATIONS MUST COMMIT TO
8 KEEPING RENTS AFFORDABLE AND EXPLORE TENANT OWNERSHIP WHERE
9 FEASIBLE. BY FIRST FOCUSING ONLY ON LARGER BUILDINGS OF FIVE
10 UNITS OR MORE AND MOBILE HOME PARKS, AND BY WORKING WITH PRE-
11 QUALIFIED ORGANIZATIONS, L.A. COUNTY CAN SHOW PROOF OF
12 CONCEPT, INCLUDING A MINIMAL DISRUPTION FOR SALES TIMELINE.
13 LONG TERM, WE CAN WORK TO EXPAND TENANT ORGANIZATION OWNERSHIP
14 OPPORTUNITIES AND TO SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHER
15 JURISDICTIONS. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE UPDATED REPORT AFTER
16 ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT THAT WILL INCLUDE MORE
17 DETAIL ON NOTIFICATION AND TRANSACTION TIMELINES AND THE
18 CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR MISSION-DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS. WITH
19 THE VOTER SUPPORT OF MEASURE A, THE L.A. COUNTY AFFORDABLE
20 HOUSING SOLUTIONS AGENCY HAS PRESERVATION FUNDS THAT COULD BE
21 AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WOULD UTILIZE COPA,
22 WHICH MAKES THIS PROGRAM UNIQUE. I HOPE THAT ADDITIONALLY WE
23 CAN WORK WITH PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN
24 KEEPING L.A. AFFORDABLE FOR TENANTS AND INCREASING HOME
25 OWNERSHIP TO ASSIST QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION PURCHASERS. L.A.



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1 COUNTY CAN BE A LEADER ONCE AGAIN IN PROTECTING TENANTS AND
2 INNOVATION IN THE HOUSING SPACE. THANK YOU.

3
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ALL MY COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR
5 COMMENTS. AT THIS TIME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S GO TO PUBLIC
6 COMMENT.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
9 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ANDRE DONATO, BIANCA
10 STRADA, DESHANE CANTLEY, EVA GARCIA, JAMIE PENN, CASEY
11 VENTURA, MARGARITA QUINTANILLA, MARIELA SABA, MATTHEW VO,
12 MICHELLE ROBINSON, MICHELLE ROMO, NAZARA BIONIS, ROSARIO LUIS,
13 VANESSA GONZALEZ, JOSEPH RAMOS, JESSICA MELENDEZ, CARLY DE LA
14 CRUZ, MEG SULLIVAN, LILY PIERDA, AND CHRISTINA BOYARD. AS A
15 FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE
16 SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 4. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE
17 SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3
18 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. WE WILL GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS FIRST.
19 PLEASE BEGIN.

20
21 **ANDRE DONADO:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
22 ANDRE DONADO AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LIBRE, A TENANT
23 RIGHTS AND HOUSING JUSTICE ORGANIZATION SERVING RESIDENTS
24 ACROSS THE 4TH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. AND I'M HERE IN STRONG
25 SUPPORT OF THE TENANT AND COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY PURCHASE ACT.



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1 EVERY DAY WE WORK WITH TENANTS FACING EVICTIONS, RISING RENTS,
2 AND THE FEAR OF LOSING THE COMMUNITIES THEY HAVE CALLED HOME
3 FOR YEARS. WE HELP FAMILIES STAY HOUSED, BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT
4 WE CANNOT SOLVE THE HOUSING CRISIS, ONE EVICTION CASE AT A
5 TIME. WE NEED POLICIES THAT PREVENT DISPLACEMENT BEFORE IT
6 HAPPENS. T-COPA IS ONE OF THOSE POLICIES. IT GIVES TENANTS AND
7 COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS AND MISSION-DRIVEN NONPROFITS A FAIR
8 OPPORTUNITY TO PRESERVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING BEFORE IT IS
9 PURCHASED BY SPECULATIVE INVESTORS. PRESERVING EXISTING
10 AFFORDABLE HOMES IS ONE OF THE SMARTEST, MOST COST-EFFECTIVE
11 INVESTMENTS WE CAN MAKE. IMPORTANTLY, THIS POLICY WILL ALSO
12 HELP PROTECT RESIDENTS --

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

15
16 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CASEY
17 VENTURA, BUT I'LL ACTUALLY BE READING DESHANAE CANTLEY'S
18 COMMENT, WHO JUST HAD TO LEAVE RIGHT NOW. MY NAME IS DESHANAE
19 CANTLEY I'M A SOUTH CENTRAL RESIDENT LIVING IN UNINCORPORATED
20 WESTMONT AND DISTRICT 2 AND A PUBLIC BOARD MEMBER WITH BVCLT.
21 I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL FOR CO-AUTHORING
22 THIS MOTION AND FOR RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING
23 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND CREATING PATHWAYS FOR COMMUNITY
24 OWNERSHIP. A FEW YEARS AGO, MY APARTMENT BUILDING WAS SOLD
25 DURING COVID. MY NEIGHBORS AND I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN



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1 NEXT, SO WE CAME TOGETHER, FORMED A TENANT ASSOCIATION TO
2 FIGURE OUT HOW TO PROTECT OUR HOMES AND OUR COMMUNITY. AS WE
3 ORGANIZED, I REALIZED I WANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE OUR
4 BUILDING WITH A COMMUNITY LAND TRUST SO WE CAN PRESERVE OUR
5 HOMES AND CREATE COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP, BUT WE WERE NEVER GIVEN
6 THE CHANCE. THAT'S WHY T-COPA IS SO IMPORTANT. IT GIVES
7 TENANTS A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE, TO FIGHT OUTSIDE
8 INVESTORS. IT CREATES PATHWAY FOR PERMANENT AFFORDABILITY,
9 COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP, AND TODAY SHE'S CONTINUING ORGANIZING
10 BECAUSE SHE BELIEVES TENNIS IS MORE THAN JUST THE RIGHT TO
11 STAY.

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

14
15 **MARGARITA QUINTANILLA:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

16
17 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MARGARITA
18 QUINTANILLA. I'M A RESIDENT OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD, DISTRICT 3.
19 AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AS A RESIDENT OF
20 BVCLT. AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR ITEM 4 ON THE
21 AGENDA TO ADVANCE T-COPA. WHEN BVCLT BOUGHT OUR BUILDING, THEY
22 DIDN'T JUST PRESERVE OUR HOUSING, THEY WORKED WITH US AS WELL
23 TO BE ABLE TO KEEP UP THE MAINTENANCE. AND THEY LISTENED TO
24 OUR CONCERNS AND THEY MET WITH US TO BE ABLE TO TALK ABOUT HOW
25 WE COULD CARE FOR AND STEWARD OUR BUILDING TOGETHER. I HAD THE



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1 GOOD FORTUNE THAT WITH BVCLT AND WITH THE MONEY FROM YOU ALL,
2 I WAS ABLE TO BUY MY BUILDING. AND I KNOW FIRSTHAND HOW
3 TRANSFORMATIVE THAT EXPERIENCE CAN BE. ALL RENTERS DESERVE
4 THAT SAME OPPORTUNITY BEFORE THEIR HOUSING FALLS INTO THE
5 HANDS OF CORPORATE INTERESTS. T-COPA GIVES COMMUNITY LAND
6 TRUSTS.

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

9
10 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** GOOD DAY ESTEEMED BOARD MEMBERS. I AM MIA
11 SHAW ROBINSON RESIDENT OF SD4 AND A MEMBER OF LONG BEACH CLT.
12 THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THE TIME TO SPEAK TODAY AND SUPPORT OF
13 CLP OF COPA. FOR TOO LONG TENANTS COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN HAD
14 LITTLE SAY IN THE FUTURE OF BUILDINGS WE CALL HOME. FOR ME, I
15 WAS LIVING IN MY HOME FOR 19 YEARS WHEN MY BUILDING WAS SOLD
16 TO A NEW OWNER. IMMEDIATELY THE NEW OWNER RAISED AROUND \$300
17 IN THE AMOUNT I COULDN'T AFFORD, DISPLACING ME FROM A PLACE I
18 HAD CALLED HOME WHERE I BUILT MY COMMUNITY. A POLICY LIKE COPA
19 WOULD HAVE CREATED OPPORTUNITY FOR THE RESIDENTS TO COME
20 TOGETHER TO BUY OUR HOMES, PREVENTING OUR DISPLACEMENT. THESE
21 ARE PLACES WE'VE RAISED FAMILIES, BUILT FRIENDSHIPS, AND
22 CREATED DISABILITIES. YET, DECISIONS ABOUT AFFORDABILITY,
23 OWNERSHIP, HAVE OFTEN BEEN MADE FAR FROM US. THE MOMENT IS
24 BIGGER THAN ONE BUILDING.



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

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3 **JESSICA MELENDEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS JESSICA MELENDEZ. GOOD
4 MORNING. I'M HERE WITH TRASATALE AND THE LACLT COALITION. I
5 GREW UP IN SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2, A FOURPLEX NOT TOO FAR AWAY
6 FROM THE OFFICE I CURRENTLY WORK AT. I LIVED THERE UNTIL I WAS
7 ABOUT 18 YEARS OLD. MY DAD AND HIS FAMILY HAD SETTLED IN SOUTH
8 CENTRAL FROM MEXICO AND HAD BEEN IN THAT HOME FOR OVER 20
9 YEARS. THAT HOME HELD OVER 20 YEARS OF HISTORY AND COMMUNITY.
10 AND WHEN I WAS 15, OUR LANDLORD PASSED AWAY AND I LEARNED VERY
11 QUICKLY HOW COMPETITIVE BUYING OUR HOME WOULD BE. WE STRUGGLED
12 AND TOO MANY TIMES I HEARD MY GRANDMA SAY IT WOULD BE BETTER
13 IF I JUST LIVED UNDER THE BRIDGE, THE FREEWAY BRIDGE. IT WAS
14 STRESSFUL, WE STRUGGLED AND EVENTUALLY WE MOVED OUT IN 2010.
15 MY FAMILY AND I COULD HAVE BENEFITED DIRECTLY FROM A POLICY
16 LIKE COPA. COPA GIVES NEIGHBORS A CHANCE TO BUY INTO THEIR
17 NEIGHBORHOODS AND CREATE A PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT
18 IS RUN AND OWNED BY THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN L.A. RATHER THAN
19 SOME OUT OF STATE INVESTOR. COPA DOES NOT FORCE OWNERS TO SELL
20 OR TO SELL BELOW MARKET. IT ONLY ASKS OTHERS TO CONSIDER THEIR
21 TENANTS AS POTENTIAL BUYERS AND GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO
22 MAKE A FAIR MARKET GOOD.

23

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

25



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1 **KARELY DE LA CRUZ:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
2 KARELY DE LA CRUZ. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SD2. I'M HERE WITH
3 TRUST SOUTH L.A. AND THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
4 COALITION. THROUGH MY WORK, I HAVE MET MANY TENANTS WHO HAVE
5 BEEN DISPLACED AFTER THEIR BUILDINGS WERE SOLD TO CORPORATE
6 INVESTORS. FAMILIES LOSE NOT ONLY THEIR HOMES, BUT ALSO THEIR
7 SCHOOLS, JOBS, SUPPORT SYSTEM, AND THE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY
8 HAVE BUILT THEIR LIVES. MANY WANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO
9 PURCHASE THEIR BUILDING, BUT THEY WERE OUTBID BY CASH
10 INVESTORS AND PUSHED OUT THE RENT INCREASES AND EVICTIONS. T-
11 COPA CREATES A FAIR OPPORTUNITY FOR TENANTS TO ORGANIZE,
12 CONNECT WITH A COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, AND MAKE A FAIR MARKET
13 OFFER BEFORE THEIR HOMES ARE SOLD. IT DOES NOT TAKE AWAY
14 PROPERTY RIGHTS OR REQUIRE ANYONE TO SELL BELOW MARKET RATE.
15 IT SIMPLY GIVES TENANTS A CHANCE TO STAY IN THE COMMUNITY THEY
16 CALL HOME. AS A CONSTITUENT OF SD2, I RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU TO
17 VOTE YES ON ITEM 4 AND SUPPORT T-COP\PA. THANK YOU.

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

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21 **VANESSA GONZALEZ:** GOOD MORNING. VANESSA GONZALEZ HERE. I'M
22 WITH FIA COMUNISTA COMUNITARIA TIERRA LIBRE AND THE LOS
23 ANGELES COMMUNITY LAND TRUST COALITION. I'M HERE TO STRONGLY
24 URGE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 4, IN
25 ADVANCING THE COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY FOR PURCHASE ACT. OUR



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1 ORGANIZATION, STEWART 700 SIMMONS, A BUILDING THAT WAS
2 PURCHASED THROUGH THE COUNTY PILOT PROGRAM. AND I JUST WANTED
3 TO HIGHLIGHT ONE OF OUR TENANTS. HER NAME IS BERTA. SHE'S BEEN
4 LIVING AT OUR BUILDING FOR OVER 50 YEARS. THAT IS HER HOME.
5 AND THIS IS A REALITY THAT WE SEE WITH A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY
6 MEMBERS. SO COPA, IT IS A PROVEN POLICY TO PREVENT
7 DISPLACEMENT. AND IT ALSO LIKE PROVIDES SECURITY, STABILITY,
8 AND THIS IS WHAT OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS. SO I DO URGE FOR YOUR
9 SUPPORT.

10

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

12

13 **MICHELLE ROMO:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MICHELLE
14 ROMO. I AM A CONSTITUENT OF SD4 AND I'M HERE TODAY WITH LONG
15 BEACH CLT AND THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY LAND TRUST COALITION
16 IN SUPPORT OF TECOPPA. FOR MANY FAMILIES, HOME IS MORE THAN
17 JUST A PLACE TO LIVE, IT'S WHERE WE RAISE OUR CHILDREN, CARE
18 FOR OUR ELDERS, AND BUILD FRIENDSHIPS AND CREATE COMMUNITY.
19 YET IN LOS ANGELES, TENANTS CAN SPEND DECADES LIVING IN THEIR
20 NEIGHBORHOODS AND CAN LOSE EVERYTHING WHEN THEIR BUILDING IS
21 SOLD. MY FAMILY HAS LIVED IN THEIR BUILDING FOR OVER 25 YEARS,
22 AND SO HAVE MANY OF MY NEIGHBORS. TOGETHER WE HAVE SPENT YEARS
23 PAYING RENT, CARING FOR OUR HOMES, AND HELPING BUILD A STABLE
24 COMMUNITY. IF OUR LANDLORD EVER DECIDES TO SELL, WE DESERVE
25 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A FAIR MARKET OFFER BEFORE AN OUTSIDER



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1 INVESTORS BUY OUR BUILDING AND PUTS OUR HOME AT RISK. WE
2 CANNOT SOLVE THE HOUSING CRISIS BY BUILDING ALONE. WE MUST
3 ALSO PRESERVE THE AFFORDABLE HOMES THAT HAVE ALREADY EXISTED
4 TO PROTECT THE COMMUNITIES TO MAKE LOS ANGELES COUNTY STRONG.
5 AS A CONSTITUENT OF SD4, I RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU VOTE YES
6 ON ITEM 4.

7

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

9

10 **CHRISTINA BOYER:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
11 CHRISTINA BOYER. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND
12 HERE WITH PUBLIC COUNCIL AND THE LACLT COALITION IN SUPPORT OF
13 T-COPA. THANK YOU SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR PUTTING
14 FORWARD THIS POLICY THAT WILL PRESERVE OUR AFFORDABLE HOUSING,
15 PREVENT DISPLACEMENT AND KEEP COMMUNITIES TOGETHER. WE ARE AT
16 RISK OF LOSING HALF OF OUR UNSUBSTANTIALIZED AFFORDABLE
17 HOUSING IN THIS COUNTY, WHICH IS ALREADY IN A DIRE HOUSING
18 CRISIS, WAS BEING PROPOSED TODAY AS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO
19 COMBAT THAT CRISIS. A TARGETED APPLICATION OF T-COPA ON MOBILE
20 HOME PARKS AND BUILDINGS WITH FIVE OR MORE UNITS. THAT'S A
21 UNIVERSE OF ONLY 30 TO 130 TRANSACTIONS A YEAR THAT AFFORDABLE
22 HOUSING PRESERVATIONISTS CAN ALIGN WITH EXISTING FUNDING TO
23 MAKE T-COPA ACTIONABLE IMMEDIATELY. TOPA AND COPA ORDINANCE
24 HAVE EXISTED ACROSS THE COUNTRY FOR 50 YEARS, WITHSTANDING
25 EVERY MAJOR LEGAL CHALLENGE, SUCCEEDING IN PROTECTING



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1 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PROLIFERATING ACROSS MORE AND MORE
2 JURISDICTIONS. WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED TODAY DOESN'T FORCE
3 ANYONE TO SELL AND HAS BEEN A SUCCESSFUL MODEL ACROSS THE
4 COUNTRY TO GIVE COMMUNITY GROUPS A SEAT AT THE TABLE WHEN
5 MAKING HOUSING DECISIONS. I URGE YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

6

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

8

9 **NAZIR ABUYOUNES:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M NAZIR
10 ABUYOUNES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITH THE LONG BEACH CLT AND A
11 MEMBER OF THE L.A. CLT COALITION SUPPORTING COMMUNITY
12 OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS SD4. I'M HERE TODAY IN STRONG
13 SUPPORT OF COPA AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD.
14 I WANT TO SHARE ONE EXAMPLE OF HOW COPPA COULD TRANSFORM
15 LIVES. A GROUP OF TENANTS CAME TO US WHEN THEY LEARNED THEIR
16 SIX-UNIT BUILDING WAS BEING SOLD. WE QUICKLY IDENTIFIED A
17 DEVELOPMENT PARTNER, ASSEMBLED PRE-DEVELOPMENT FUNDS, AND
18 IDENTIFIED EXISTING LONG-TERM FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH
19 THE CASA AND OTHER PHILANTHROPIC SOURCES. WE WERE READY TO
20 MAKE A FAIR MARKET OFFER, BUT THE PROPERTY OWNER UNFORTUNATELY
21 WOULD NOT CONSIDER AN OFFER IN SUPPORT OF THE RESIDENTS. THESE
22 FAMILIES HAVE LIVED TOGETHER FOR OVER 10 YEARS. THEY'VE BUILT
23 A BEAUTIFUL COMMUNITY TOGETHER. THEY SHARE MEALS, ORGANIZE
24 EVENTS, PARTICIPATE IN THEIR COMMUNITY TOGETHER, CARE FOR ONE
25 ANOTHER'S CHILDREN, AND THEY DREAM OF COLLECTIVELY OWNING THE



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1 PLACE THEY CALL HOME, BUILDING LONG-TERM STABILITY. BUT IF
2 THIS BUILDING IS SOLD ON THE MARKET, THEY WILL VERY LIKELY BE
3 DISPLACED TO BE REPLACED WITH TENANTS PAYING HIGHER RENTS.
4 THERE ARE MANY COMMUNITIES FACING SIMILAR EXPERIENCES ACROSS
5 SD4 AND L.A. COUNTY, AND I URGE THE BOARD TODAY TO SUPPORT --

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO REMOTE
8 SPEAKERS. ELIZABETH DE CARTERET, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
9 BEGIN.

10

11 **ELIZABETH DE CARTERET:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ELIZABETH DE
12 CARTERET. I AM THE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FOR SOUTHLAND
13 REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO
14 OPPOSE THIS MOTION FOR ITEM 4, DIRECTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
15 COPA OR ANY FUTURE TOPA ORDINANCE. WHILE PRESERVING AFFORDABLE
16 HOUSING IS AN IMPORTANT GOAL THAT WE ALL SHARE, THIS PROPOSAL
17 MOVES IN THE WRONG DIRECTION BY ADDING ANOTHER LAYER OF
18 REGULATION AND TAXPAYER EXPENSE WITHOUT CREATING ANY NEW
19 HOUSING UNITS. THE REAL SOLUTION TO OUR HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
20 CHALLENGES INCREASING HOUSING SUPPLY BY REDUCING BARRIERS TO
21 DEVELOPMENT, STREAMLINING APPROVALS AND ENCOURAGING
22 INVESTMENT, NOT MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR PROPERTY OWNERS
23 TO SELL THEIR PROPERTY. THIS PROPOSAL RELIES ON
24 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE DEVELOPED USING DATA CONDUCTED
25 SEVERAL YEARS AGO. SINCE THEN, INTEREST RATES, CONSTRUCTION



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1 COSTS, FINANCING CONDITIONS, AND HOUSING MARKET CONDITIONS
2 HAVE CHANGED DRAMATICALLY. IN ADDITION, IT CREATES
3 UNCERTAINTY, DELAYS, AND UNNECESSARY DELAYS. ACCORDING TO THE
4 COUNTY'S OWN ANALYSIS, TRANSACTIONS COULD BE DELAYED FOR
5 MONTHS WHILE DESIGNATED PURCHASERS --

6
7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. OSCAR ZARATE, YOUR LINE IS
8 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

9
10 **OSCAR ZARATE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS OSCAR
11 ZARATE. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THE
12 DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AT CHIRLA, THE COALITION FOR
13 HUMANE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND
14 THE LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR BRINGING
15 FORWARD THIS TOPA-COPA ORDINANCE. CHIRLA PROUDLY SUPPORTS THIS
16 MEASURE. WE BELIEVE IT WILL RESULT IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR
17 OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I WAS RECENTLY
18 ABLE TO PURCHASE MY CHILDHOOD HOME IN UNINCORPORATED
19 WILLOWBROOK FROM THE CORPORATE OWNERS WHO ACQUIRED IT AFTER MY
20 LANDLORD PASSED AWAY. I DID SO TO ENSURE STABLE, AFFORDABLE
21 HOUSING FOR MY PARENTS. THAT OPPORTUNITY SHOULD NOT BE THE
22 EXCEPTION. IT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO EVERY FAMILY IN LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 4. THANK YOU.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. OSCAR MONGE, YOUR LINE HAS BEEN



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1 MUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **OSCAR MONKE:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

4

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

6

7 **OSCAR MONKE:** OKAY. THANK YOU. HI, EVERYONE. GOOD MORNING, L.A.
8 COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS OSCAR MONKE, EXECUTIVE
9 DIRECTOR OF TRISAT DELE AND A MEMBER OF THE L.A. COMMUNITY
10 LANDERS COALITION. I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR ITEM
11 4, ADVANCING TENANT AND COMMUNITY TRAINING TO PURCHASE. THANK
12 YOU TO ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND C02 COALITION LEADERS
13 FOR EVERYTHING FOR THIS AND MAKING IT OUT TO THE MEETING IN
14 PERSON TODAY. FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, SOUTH L.A. HAS WORKED TO
15 ACQUIRE, PRESERVE AND STORE PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN
16 SOUTH L.A. OUR EXPERTISE HAS SHOWN THAT WE CANNOT BUILD OUR
17 WAY OUT OF THE HOUSING CRISIS ALONE, AND WE MUST PRESERVE THE
18 AFFORDABLE HOMES THAT WE ALREADY HAVE. ITEM FORM DOES NOT
19 REQUIRE PROPERTY OWNERS TO SELL BELOW MARKET VALUE OR FORCE
20 OWNERS TO SELL. OWNERS CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FAIR MARKET VALUE.
21 WE'VE WORKED WITH OWNERS WHO WANTED TO SELL THEIR BUILDINGS TO
22 US FOR THEM TO REMAIN AFFORDABLE TO CONTINUE SERVING THEIR
23 COMMUNITIES. T-COPA CREATES MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE
24 PARTNERSHIPS BEFORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS ALLOWED TO TAKE A
25 DEPLETION FOR GENERATIONS. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND



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1 MITCHELL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND WE RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR
2 SUPPORT IN ITEM 4. THANK YOU.

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. LAKEISHA CAMISE, YOUR LINE IS
5 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

6
7 **LAKEISHA CAMISE:** YES. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
8 IS LAKEISHA CAMISE. I'M THE FOUNDER AND PRINCIPAL STRATEGIST
9 OF EXEMPLAR STRATEGIES GLOBAL, A PUBLIC POLICY CONSULTING FIRM
10 DEDICATED TO ADVANCING EQUITABLE EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS THAT
11 STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITIES. I AM HERE TODAY IN STRONG SUPPORT
12 OF ITEM NUMBER 4 AND TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AS WELL AS
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WHO I AM A CONSTITUENT. HOUSING STABILITY IS
14 THE FOUNDATION OF ECONOMIC MOBILITY, COMMUNITY HEALTH, AND
15 GENERATIONAL WEALTH. YET TOO MANY LONG-TIME RESIDENTS,
16 PARTICULARLY BLACK AND LATINO FAMILIES, CONTINUE TO FACE
17 DISPLACEMENT AS HOUSING COSTS OUTPACE INCOME. THIS MOTION IS
18 THOUGHTFUL, DATA-DRIVEN STEP TOWARD ADDRESSING THAT REALITY.
19 BY DIRECTING THE COUNTY TO DEVELOP THIS ORDINANCE AND IDENTIFY
20 SUSTAINABLE FUNDING STRATEGIES, YOU ARE CREATING PATHWAYS FOR
21 TENANTS AND MISSION DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS TO PRESERVE
22 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THANK YOU AGAIN SO MUCH THAT YOU ARE
23 CREATING A SMART --

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SIRIS BARRIOS, YOUR LINE IS



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1 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **SIRIS BARRIOS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SIRIS BARRIOS. I'M
4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR AT TRUST SOUTH L.A. AND A RESIDENT OF WATTS.
5 DURING THE PANDEMIC ORGANIZATION PROCESS, MORE THAN 1,000
6 CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS GIVEN US
7 FIRST-HAND INSIGHT INTO THE HOUSING CHALLENGES FACING BOTH
8 TENANTS AND LANDLORDS. IN THE FLORENCE FIRE COMMUNITY THREE
9 FAMILIES WHO HAD LIVED IN THEIR HOMES FOR 10 TO 26 YEARS WERE
10 DISPLACED AFTER THEIR LANDLORD PASSED AWAY. ONE TENANT OFFERED
11 TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY SO THEY COULD REMAIN IN THE COMMUNITY
12 THEY CALLED HOME FOR YEARS BUT THE HEIRS DECLINED THE OFFER.
13 THE PROPERTY WAS ULTIMATELY RESOLD THREE TIMES WHILE THE
14 FAMILY IS ENDURING LONG PAINFUL EVICTION PROCESS. TRUST SOUTH
15 L.A. WAS READY TO WORK WITH BOTH OF THE ERRORS AND THE TENANTS
16 TO PRESERVE THESE HOMES BUT THERE WAS NO PATH TO MAKE IT
17 HAPPEN. TCOPA PROVIDES THAT PATHWAY. IT GIVES OPPORTUNITY. IT
18 GIVES PROPERTY OWNERS ANOTHER OPTION WHEN THEY DECIDE TO SELL
19 WHILE ALLOWING QUALIFIED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PRESERVE
20 AFFORDABLE HOUSING BEFORE DISPLACEMENT. BASED ON OUR
21 EXPERIENCE, THIS IS A PRACTICAL AND PREDICTABLE SOLUTION THAT
22 BENEFITS LANDLORDS, TENANTS, AND OUR COMMUNITIES. WE
23 RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO SUPPORT ITEM 4. THANK YOU.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JERARD D. WRIGHT, YOUR LINE IS



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1 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **JERARD WRIGHT:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. JERARD WRIGHT,
4 GOVERNOR AND AFFAIRS DIRECTOR OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES
5 RAILWAYS. STRONG CONCERNS WITH THE, WITH TOPA AND COPA BECAUSE
6 THERE'S, AGAIN, WITH, THIS ADDRESSES A LOT OF THE, YOU KNOW,
7 AFFORDABLE AFFORDABILITY ISSUES, BUT THE BIGGER CONCERN IS
8 WHERE IS NHS IN THIS CONVERSATION WHERE IS THE CONVERSATION
9 AROUND HOW FOLKS CAN ACTUALLY YOU KNOW GET EDUCATED ON
10 FINANCIAL VEHICLES SO THAT THEY CAN PURCHASE. PURCHASE THEIR
11 HOMES AND PURCHASE PROPERTY. THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE
12 MISSING FROM THIS CONVERSATION, AND I FEEL IT'S JUST
13 SCRATCHING THE SURFACE. THIS IS STILL A WAY OF TAKING ONE TO
14 THE OTHER. WE'RE REPLACING ONE CORPORATION AND TURN IT INTO A
15 NONPROFIT CORPORATION IN THE PROCESS. SO THIS IS JUST A LOT OF
16 CONCERNS OUR MEMBERS ARE HAVING WITH THIS PARTICULAR MEASURE
17 AND WHAT THIS IS PROPOSING TO DO FOR AN ORDINANCE. THOSE ARE
18 OUR COMMENTS AT THIS MOMENT IN TIME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME
19 AND ATTENTION.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. TIM SHAW, YOUR LINE ISN'T MUTED.
22 PLEASE BEGIN.

23

24 **TIM SHAW:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TIM SHAW. I'M
25 THE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FOR BOTH THE TRI-COUNTIES AND



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1 PACIFIC WEST ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. WE HAVE LONGSTANDING
2 POLICY OPPOSING TOPA AND COPA. THESE ARE WELL-INTENTIONED
3 POLICIES THAT ULTIMATELY DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD AS THEY
4 DISRUPT THE FREE MARKET IN REAL ESTATE. WE PREFER TO SEE
5 WILLING SELLERS AND WILLING BUYERS ABLE TO DO THEIR
6 TRANSACTION FREE OF GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE, AND
7 UNFORTUNATELY, TOPA AND COPA PROVED TO ADD SIGNIFICANT DELAYS
8 AND GOVERNMENT DISRUPTION IN WHAT SHOULD BE THE FREE MARKET IN
9 REAL ESTATE. SO WE WOULD URGE THAT YOUR BOARD RESPECTFULLY
10 LOOK FOR OTHER WAYS TO ADDRESS THE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY
11 PROBLEM. WE AGREE THERE IS SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS WITH OUR REAL
12 ESTATE MARKET AND HOUSING. WE WOULD PREFER TO BE PARTNERS
13 RATHER THAN OPPOSING WELL-INTENTIONED BUT BAD PUBLIC POLICY.
14 THANK YOU.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
17 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YES, THANK YOU. IT IS A DAMN TIME AS THE
20 CORPORATE VULTURES HAVE BEEN CIRCLING FROM DAY ONE OF THE LOS
21 ANGELES CITY BURN DOWN FROM WHICH BASS AND COMPANY SHOULD BE
22 AN ALLIGATOR ALCATRAZ. ADDITIONALLY, THE GANG OF FOUR DEMOCRAT
23 BOARD MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE BIDEN
24 ILLEGALS, WHICH HAS EXACERBATED THIS ISSUE AND A SLAP IN THE
25 FACE TO LEGACY ILLEGALS. YOU CAN LOOK FORWARD TO MY SENATOR



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1 BOXER'S MESSAGE TO ME ON THESE ILLEGALS. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. PHILIP CASPINO, YOUR LINE ISN'T
4 MUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **FILIP CRISPINO:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS. HOUSING
7 AFFORDABILITY CHALLENGES WILL NOT BE SOLVED BY RESTRICTING
8 PROPERTY TRANSFERS OR CREATING NEW OBSTACLES TO REAL ESTATE
9 TRANSACTIONS. THE MOST EFFECTIVE LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS ARE
10 POLICIES THAT INCREASE HOUSING SUPPLY, ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT,
11 STREAMLINE DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS, AND EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR
12 HOME OWNERSHIP. NOTHING PREVENTS TENANTS, TENANT GROUPS,
13 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, OR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPERS FROM
14 PURCHASING PROPERTIES TODAY THROUGH THE OPEN MARKET, GRANTING
15 PREFERENTIAL PURCHASING RIGHTS TO SELECTED GROUPS CREATES AN
16 UNEVEN PLAYING FIELD IN ANY DISCOURAGE AND MAY DISCOURAGE
17 FUTURE INVESTMENT IN RENTAL HOUSING. FOR THESE REASONS, I
18 RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO OPPOSE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF A
19 TOPA OF A T-COPA ORDINANCE AND INSTEAD FOCUS ON POLICIES THAT
20 EXPAND HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES WHILE PRESERVING PRIVATE PROPERTY
21 RIGHTS AND MAINTAINING A FAIR, COMPETITIVE, AND TRANSPARENT
22 REAL ESTATE MARKET. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. AND MY
23 NAME IS FILIP CRISPINO, REALTOR AND BOARD MEMBER OF SOUTHLAND
24 REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MELISSA MORGAN, YOUR LINE IS
2 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

3
4 **MELISSA MORGAN:** HELLO, I'M MELISSA MORGAN WITH BLACK LIVES
5 MATTER GRASSROOTS LONG BEACH, OUR BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD TENANT
6 COUNCIL AND A MEMBER OF THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY LAND TRUST IN
7 STRONG SUPPORT OF COPA. FROM A BLACK HOUSING JUSTICE
8 PERSPECTIVE, BLACK FAMILIES KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO BE PUSHED
9 OUT, PRICED OUT, OVER POLICED AND LOCKED OUT OF OWNERSHIP AS A
10 RESULT OF GENERATIONS OF REDLINING, DISCRIMINATION, CLASSISM
11 AND NOW CORPORATE SPECULATION. IN OUR COUNTY, BLACK RENTERS
12 ARE THE MOST RENT BURDENED, ESPECIALLY US BLACK WOMEN HOLDING
13 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER. WE CARRY THE WEIGHT OF THE
14 HOUSING CRISIS EVERY DAY. SIXTY FIVE PERCENT OF BLACK RENTERS
15 ARE RENT BURDENED. WE FACE THE HIGHEST EVICTION RATES IN L.A.
16 THESE PRESSURES FUEL HOMELESSNESS. AND WE'RE ONLY 9% OF THE
17 POPULATION, BUT 31% OF HOUSELESSNESS. COPA GIVES TENANTS AND
18 CLT'S A FAIR CHANCE TO PRESERVE HOUSING BEFORE DISPLACEMENT
19 INSTEAD OF LETTING WEALTHY CORPORATIONS DECIDE WHO GETS TO
20 STAY. SO SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN, PLEASE VOTE YES. IF WE DON'T
21 ACT NOW, BLACK FAMILIES WILL BE DISPLACED, OUR COMMUNITIES
22 LOST. LET'S PRESERVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING --

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
25 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ROBERTO GARCIA,



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1 KIMBERLY SUN, IVELIA MONTANO, SURAYES HERNANDEZ, ANNA
2 HERNANDEZ, ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, MATTHEW BUCK, SANDRA MCNEILL,
3 JEFF FOWLER, VICTOR RICKS, MAGDALENA CASARES, MIGUEL MONTERO,
4 SCOTT KURZBAN, BRENDA TOFIA. WE WILL CONTINUE WITH IN-PERSON
5 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

6
7 **EVELIA MONTANO:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

8
9 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING TO YOU. MY NAME IS EVELIA MONTANO
10 AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY POWER COLLECTIVE AND FIDIO
11 COMMISO COMUNITARIO TIERRA LIBRE. AND I'M HERE AS A RENTER. AS
12 A RENTER I HAVE FACED CONSTANT THREATS AND HARASSMENT AND THE
13 THREAT OF LOSING MY HOME AND SO I ASK YOU TO APPROVE T-COPA.
14 THIS LAW WILL ALLOW US THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO BE THE
15 FIRST TO BUY THE BUILDINGS WHERE WE LIVE AND TO PARTICIPATE IN
16 MAKING DECISIONS ABOUT OUR HOUSING. WE WANT COMMUNITIES THAT
17 ARE FREE FROM HARASSMENT. AND WE ALSO WANT IT TO BE FREE FROM
18 EVICTIONS AND SPECULATION. HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT, IT'S NOT
19 A BUSINESS. EVERY FAMILY DESERVES TO LIVE WITH SECURITY AND
20 DIGNITY. SO I ASK YOU THEREFORE TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE T-COPA
21 LAW. PLEASE PUT THE COMMUNITY FIRST. THANK YOU.

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

24
25 **ROBERTO GARCIA-CEBALLOS:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS



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1 ROBERTO GARCIA-CEBALLOS. I'M HERE WITH FIDE COMISO COMUNITARIO
2 TIERRA LIBRE, THE FIRST COMMUNITY LAND TRUST IN EAST L.A. AND
3 ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS WE STARTED A COMMUNITY LAND TRUST WAS
4 BECAUSE WE UNDERSTOOD THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH NATURALLY
5 OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING WAS IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A.
6 WE KNEW A LOT OF TENANTS WERE IN NEED FOR THEIR BUILDINGS TO
7 BE REHABILITATED AND THE HEALTH CONDITIONS THAT PEOPLE WERE
8 SUFFERING BECAUSE OF MOLD, BECAUSE OF UNSEALED WINDOWS, AND
9 THE VARIETY OF THINGS THAT HOUSING NEEDS. THROUGH THE CLT
10 PILOT PROGRAM THAT WE HAD, WE WERE REALLY SUCCESSFUL AT
11 CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES. AND UNFORTUNATELY, WE STILL DOOR
12 KNOCK AT PEOPLE'S HOMES IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A, AND WE
13 FIND PEOPLE WHO NEED A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION TO COME AND
14 REHABILITATE AND WORK WITH THEM TO CREATE PERMANENT
15 AFFORDABILITY AND HEALTHY LIVING CONDITIONS. AND SO T-COPA IS
16 THE SOLUTION FOR THAT. SO THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS KIMBERLY SUN. I'M A MEMBER OF
21 TIERRA, OF COLECTIVO PODER COMUNITARIO AND TIERRA LIBRE
22 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO SUPPORT T-
23 COPA AS IT GIVES TENANTS, FAMILIES THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE
24 THEIR FIRST CHANCE TO PURCHASE THE BUILDINGS WHERE THEY LIVE
25 AND HELPS KEEP OUR COMMUNITY STABLE. FOR YEARS, MANY FAMILIES



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1 HAVE FACED HARASSMENT, EVICTIONS, AND DISPLACEMENTS BECAUSE OF
2 LARGE INVESTORS BUYING THEIR HOMES WITHOUT CARING ABOUT THE
3 PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE. WITH T-COPA, TENANTS CAN ORGANIZE
4 ALONGSIDE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO PROTECT THEIR HOMES AND
5 BUILD LONG-TERM STABILITY. THE HOUSING SHOULD NEVER BE TREATED
6 AS A COMMODITY. HOUSING IS A HUMAN RIGHT AND IT IS ESSENTIAL
7 FOR LIFE AND EVERY FAMILY DESERVES TO LIVE WITHOUT THE
8 CONSTANT FEAR OF LOSING THEIR HOME. WE URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR T-
9 COPA AND GIVE OUR COMMUNITIES THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROTECT THEIR
10 HOMES, STRENGTHENING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, AND TO PUT OUR PEOPLE
11 BEFORE PROFIT. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ROSARIO AND I'M HERE WITH MY
16 SON JOAQUIN, AND WE ARE CONSTITUENTS OF HILDA SOLIS' DISTRICT.
17 I HAVE A STORY OF ME GROWING UP AND GETTING DISPLACED IN A
18 TIME WHERE TOPA OR T-COPA WAS NOT AROUND. WE GOT DISPLACED AND
19 MOVED THREE TIMES. WE ARE NOW IN A TIME WHERE COMMUNITIES ARE
20 COMING TOGETHER, COMMUNITY-LAND TRUSTS ARE IN THE GAME THAT
21 CAN ACTUALLY HELP THIS FROM HAPPENING TO OTHER FAMILIES. WHILE
22 THERE'S A LOT OF FEARS AND HOLDBACKS FROM FOLKS, I THINK AT
23 THE END OF THE DAY WE HAVE TO REALIZE THAT OUR CHILDREN SUFFER
24 DISPLACEMENT, IT AFFECTS THEIR STUDIES, AND WE ARE SUPPOSED TO
25 BE INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE. IF WE WANT LEADERS THAT CAN TRULY



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1 STAY COMMUNITY GROUNDED BUT ALSO ADVOCATE FOR EVERYBODY, THEN
2 WE SHOULD BE PUTTING OUR MONEY TOWARDS OUR CHILDREN. AND THAT
3 MEANS MAKING SURE THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING STAYS AFFORDABLE
4 BECAUSE MY SON SHOULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO OWN A HOME.

5

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

7

8 **MEG SULLIVAN:** MY NAME IS MEG SULLIVAN. AS A MOM-AND-POP
9 HOUSING PROVIDER IN DISTRICT 2, I CAME HERE TO URGE YOU TO
10 OPPOSE THE DISASTROUS IDEA OF LENGTHY DELAYS AT SALE. TO
11 ADDRESS THE REGION'S HOUSING CRISIS, YOU NEED MORE PEOPLE LIKE
12 ME AND MY HUSBAND TO STEP UP AND INVEST IN THE HIGH RISK AND
13 LOW REWARDS BUSINESS OF PROVIDING RENTAL HOUSING. BUT NO
14 PRIVATE PARTY IN THEIR RIGHT MIND IS GOING TO INVEST IN A
15 MARKET THAT LOOKS LIKE THE EQUIVALENT OF THE HOTEL CALIFORNIA
16 SONG WHERE INVESTORS CAN CHECK IN, BUT IT'S NOT CLEAR THAT
17 THEY CAN EVER LEAVE OR ON WHAT TIMELINE. IF YOU GO FORWARD
18 WITH THIS, PRIVATE CAPITAL WILL CONTINUE TO FLOW TO LESS
19 RESTRICTIVE MARKETS. DELAYS IN TIMELINE AT SALE IS AN
20 INVESTMENT KILLER. CAPITAL CHASES LIQUIDITY.

21

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

23

24 **JOSEPH RAMOS:** JOSEPH RAMOS FOR THE DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF
25 GREATER LOS ANGELES. WE URGE YOU TO OPPOSE THIS PROPOSAL IN



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1 ITS CURRENT FORM. THE COUNTY SIMPLY CANNOT AFFORD TO CREATE
2 ANOTHER EXPENSIVE BUREAUCRACY. EVEN THE OUTDATED HR AND
3 ADVISORS REPORT ESTIMATED THIS PROGRAM WOULD COST AT LEAST
4 \$2,000,000 EVERY YEAR AND REQUIRE 15 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES. PLUS
5 ADDITIONAL OUTREACH COSTS, THOSE COSTS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BE
6 MUCH HIGHER TODAY. IF YOU WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ANY POLICY
7 LIMITED TO THE FAR LESS EXPENSIVE MOBILE HOME RESIDENT
8 OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE MODEL USED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY,
9 ALTERNATIVELY USE COLORADO'S ORDINANCE FOR THE COUNTY TO BE
10 THE SOLE PURCHASER TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN SMALL OWNERS OF
11 20 OR FEW UNITS WHO MUST SELL QUICKLY DUE TO URGENT NEEDS AND
12 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WANT TIME TO ASSEMBLE FINANCING.
13 COLORADO'S ORDINANCE ALSO EXCLUDES ALL PROPERTIES WITH FEWER
14 THAN 15 UNITS. NEITHER POLICY WAS CONSIDERED BY HRNA. PLEASE
15 REJECT THIS PROPOSAL TO MORE PRACTICAL AND AFFORDABLE
16 ALTERNATIVES ARE FULLY RESEARCHED. THE COUNTY'S COST FOR THIS
17 NEW PROGRAM WOULD BE FAR BETTER SPENT CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL
18 JAIL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

21
22 **EVA GARCIA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

23
24 **INTERPRETER:** VERY GOOD. AFTERNOON TO YOU. MY NAME IS EVA
25 GARCIA AND I AM AN ORGANIZER WITH COMMUNITY POWER COLLECTIVE.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 I'M ALSO THE CO-FOUNDER OF THE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. AS AN
2 ORGANIZER EVERY SINGLE DAY. I SEE HARASSMENT THAT IS TAKING
3 PLACE BY LANDLORDS TOWARD TENANTS. IT IS VERY SAD TO SEE
4 FAMILIES BEING EVICTED EVERY DAY. I SEE THE SEYMOUR BUILDING,
5 FOR EXAMPLE, AS THE CO-FOUNDER OF THE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, I
6 SEE PEOPLE LIVING WITH PEACE THERE. THAT'S WHY WE NEED THE T-
7 COPA LAW TO BE ACCEPTED. WE NEED MORE TENANTS TO BE LIVING AT
8 PEACE, WHERE THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO KNOW HOW TO GOVERN THEIR
9 BUILDING AND TAKE THE HOUSING OFF THE MARKET. BECAUSE HOUSING
10 IS NOT A BUSINESS. IT'S ESSENTIAL, IT'S VITAL HOUSING IS. HOW
11 CAN WE STOP THIS TAKING THE HOUSING OFF THE MARKET? SO WE HAVE
12 THIS HOPE THROUGH T-COPA BECAUSE HOUSING SHOULD BE FOR THOSE
13 WHO ARE INHABITING THE HOME AND NOT A MARKET AS IF IT WAS JUST
14 A BUSINESS. SO PLEASE, I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR T-COPA.
15 THAT'S THE COMMUNITY'S HOPE.

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

18
19 **BIANCA ESTRADA:** HI GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS MY NAME IS BIANCA
20 ESTRADA AND I'M HERE WITH MY SON OCTAVIO. HE'S FOUR YEARS OLD.
21 WE'RE HERE TO MOTION OR BE HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 4. I AM AN
22 ADVOCATE FOR ALL OF MY COMMUNITY. I'VE BEEN A BOYLE HEIGHTS
23 RESIDENT ALL MY LIFE. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT FAMILIES IN MY
24 COMMUNITY ARE, YOU KNOW, HOUSED. WE HAVE A LOT OF UNHOUSED
25 PEOPLE THAT ARE CURRENTLY DISPLACED AND THEY FEAR DISPLACEMENT



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CURRENTLY IN THEIR OWN HOMES. AND IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE HAVE
2 FAMILIES THAT ARE, YOU KNOW, ENTITLED TO THEIR LIVING
3 SITUATIONS. WE'RE ALL, YOU KNOW, WE'RE HERE TO DEFY ALL ODDS
4 WITH POVERTY, WITH ALL KINDS OF EDUCATIONAL BARRIERS. WE'RE
5 JUST TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR CHILDREN HAVE A PLACE TO
6 STAY AND THAT OUR COMMUNITY STAYS WITH THE PEOPLE THAT CARE
7 FOR IT AND THAT ARE WILLING TO DO ANYTHING FOR IT. THAT'S ALL,
8 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

9

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

11

12 **MARIA LAZABA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MARIA LAZABA AND ALL I
13 WANT TO SAY IS DO THE RIGHT THING TODAY. I KNOW YOU HAVE A LOT
14 OF DECISIONS ON YOUR PLATE EVERY DAY, YET IN THE MORAL COMPASS
15 SHAPED BY GENOCIDE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE ON THESE STOLEN LANDS
16 AND GENOCIDE OF SO MANY PEOPLE ON LANDS OVERSEAS, LEBANON,
17 SUDAN, PALESTINE, AND MORE AS WE SPEAK, YOUR DECISIONS CAN
18 EITHER CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER DISPLACEMENT, WHICH IS A KEY
19 INGREDIENT OF GENOCIDE DISGUISED BY SUCH LANGUAGE AS A FREE
20 MARKET. OR YOU CAN HELP US ALL STOP THESE 250-YEAR-OLD PLUS
21 TRENDS TO PUSH PEOPLE CONTINUOUSLY OUT OF THEIR HOMES THROUGH
22 POLICIES AND POLICE. I AM HERE WITH MY DAUGHTER AND MORE
23 FAMILIES WITH THE EL SERENO COMMUNITY LAND TRUST AND THE LACLT
24 COALITION, AND WE ARE ALL UNITED HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-COPA.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **LILLY PEDRA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LILY PIEDRA. I'M WITH LONG
4 BEACH RESIDENTS EMPOWERED HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE LACLT
5 COALITION IN SUPPORT OF T-COPA. AT LONG BEACH RESIDENTS
6 EMPOWERED, WE SEE ALL TOO OFTEN WHEN HOUSING IS SOLD, THE
7 FLOODGATES ARE OPEN TO EVERYTHING FROM TENANT HARASSMENT TO
8 THE ABUSE OF EVICTION PROTECTION LOOPHOLES. WE'VE SPOKEN TO
9 MANY GROUPS OF TENANTS ALL TOGETHER FACING THE PRESSURE TO
10 SIGN OPPRESSIVE NEW LEASE AGREEMENTS, WHO ARE REFUSED NEEDED
11 REPAIRS IN THEIR UNITS, WHO ARE ALL OF A SUDDEN TOLD THAT
12 THEIR HOMES NEED TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY REMODELED. THE GOAL OF
13 THESE NEW LANDLORDS IS TO TURN OVER THESE 10, 15, 20-YEAR
14 LEASES SO THAT RENTS CAN BE DOUBLED OR SOMETIMES EVEN TRIPLED.
15 T-COPA IS A TOOL TO PREVENT DISPLACEMENT, AND I URGE THE BOARD
16 TO VOTE IN SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE
19 SPEAKERS. ARACELI PALAFOX, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

20

21 **ARACELI PALAFOX:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
22 IS ARACELI PALAFOX, AND I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF ENTERPRISE
23 COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO OFFER OUR SUPPORT OF ITEM 4, TO ADVANCE
24 THE COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT PROGRAM FOR
25 UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY. WE KNOW FROM OUR WORK ACROSS THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 STATE AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAT OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACTS
2 ARE CRITICAL TOOLS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION AND WE
3 BELIEVE THAT A TECOPA PROGRAM WOULD BE CATALYTIC IN L.A.
4 COUNTY ALLOWING MISSION DRIVEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING
5 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE CLT'S AND NONPROFIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING
6 DEVELOPERS TO ACQUIRE AND PRESERVE PROPERTIES WHEN TENANTS ARE
7 NOT ABLE TO DO SO. WE ALSO KNOW THAT SUPPORTING MISSION-DRIVEN
8 AFFORDABLE HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS TO DO THIS IS ESPECIALLY
9 CRITICAL IN HIGH COST AREAS LIKE OUR COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL
10 TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR YOUR
11 LEADERSHIP ON THIS AND URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 4. THANK
12 YOU.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLERS STARTING WITH PHONE
15 NUMBER 818, ENDING IN 73. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE
16 YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **ALEN ZAMAN:** HI, ARE YOU SPEAKING WITH ME?

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

21
22 **ALEN ZAMAN:** YES, HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ALEN ZAMAN. I AM
23 A REALTOR AND REAL ESTATE ADVOCATE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM
24 CALLING TODAY TO VOICE MY CONCERN AND OPPOSITION WITH ITEM 4.
25 I RESPECTFULLY URGE YOU TO VOTE NO ON ITEM 4. WHILE I DO



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 SUPPORT THE GOAL OF EXPANDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND CREATING
2 STABLE COMMUNITIES, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS
3 THE RIGHT APPROACH AND REQUIRING RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO
4 DELAY SELLING THEIR PROPERTY WHILE DESIGNATED ORGANIZATIONS
5 RECEIVE THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE WOULD PLACE A
6 SIGNIFICANT BURDEN ON THESE PROPERTY OWNERS AND IT WOULD
7 INTERFERE WITH THEIR OPERATION OF THE REAL ESTATE MARKET AND
8 PROPERTY OWNERS SHOULD BE FREE TO SELL THEIR PROPERTIES IN AN
9 OPEN AND COMPETITIVE MARKETPLACE WITHOUT ANY KIND OF
10 GOVERNMENT MANDATED ROADBLOCKS WHICH WOULD DELAY THE
11 TRANSACTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLERS STARTING WITH PHONE
14 NUMBER 626, ENDING IN 69. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE
15 YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER.

16
17 **ADRIANA BAUTISTA:** HI, MY NAME IS ADRIANA BAUTISTA WITH THE
18 ALTADENA EARTHBEAD COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. I'M CALLING BECAUSE
19 OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN IMPACTED BY THE EATON FIRE, WHICH HAS
20 DECIMATED OUR COMMUNITY'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND CHANGED OUR
21 COMMUNITY FOREVER. I STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE FOLKS IN THE
22 ROOM AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE BEEN ADVANCING THE
23 IMPORTANT WORK OF COMMUNITY LIFE, WHICH CREATES PERMANENTLY
24 AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR COMMUNITIES TO DO IT FOR A GENERATION.
25 OUR COMMUNITY HAS A THRIVING, POWERFUL, BEAUTIFUL BLACK



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITY, WHICH IN THE '80S WAS ABOUT 48% OF ALTADENA'S
2 POPULATION. BEFORE THE FIRE, 18%, AND NOW IT'S PROJECTED --

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER, STARTING WITH VOTER 626,
5 ENDING IN 59. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER,
6 PLEASE BEGIN.

7
8 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

9
10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

11
12 **FLORENCE:** OH, I'M SORRY. HI, MY NAME IS FLORENCE. I'M CALLING
13 FOR ALTADENA AND I'M SO ENCOURAGED TO SEE WHAT THE SUPERVISORS
14 ARE DOING AND TOTALING SUPPORT FOR ITEM NUMBER 4. THIS IS FOR
15 ALTADENA. THE RIGHT TO RETURN FOR MANY OF THE RESIDENTS LOOKS
16 A LITTLE BLEAK RIGHT NOW. AND THIS OPPORTUNITY WOULD BE, WOULD
17 AFFORD THEM, ESPECIALLY THE RENTAL COMMUNITY, WOULD AFFORD
18 THEM THE HOPE THAT THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GET IN RESIDENTS LIKE
19 403 FIGUEROA, AND ALL OF THE REST. I REALLY DO HOPE THAT YOU,
20 IT'S MESSY, BUT IT IS A SOLUTION THAT HAS AN OUTCOME THAT
21 BRINGS FAMILIES TOGETHER AND PUTS ROOF OVER PEOPLE'S HEADS.
22 AND AS THE LADY SAID, DOES NOT LEAVE SOMEBODY THINKING THAT
23 THEY WOULD HAVE TO SLEEP UNDER A BRIDGE. SO I REALLY DO HOPE
24 ON BEHALF OF PASADENA ORGANIZING FOR PROGRESS ALTADENA RISE UP
25 --



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SADIE KAMUSHI YOUR LINE IS
3 UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN. HI, PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT
4 CALLER, ANASTASIA COMOROSK. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
5 BEGIN. ANASTASIA, PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER.
6 BYRON, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD CHAIR. BYRON WITH THE
9 TRANSLATINA COALITION. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND
10 YOUR BOARD'S LEADERSHIP FOR ADVANCING THIS MOTION. I HOPE YOU
11 CONTINUE TO LISTEN AND UPLIFT THROUGH YOUR VOTES AND THROUGH
12 YOUR POLICIES AND THROUGH YOUR PRIORITIES WHAT THE COMMUNITIES
13 ARE ASKING FOR, COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND NOT JUST
14 FAILED REALTOR LOBBYISTS THAT YOU KNOW WANT TO CONTINUE
15 TALKING ABOUT THE PRE-MARKET. AT ANY RATE WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE
16 SURE WE'RE LEVERAGING MEASURE A FUNDS AND OTHER COUNTY FUNDS
17 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE PRESERVING AND KEEPING AFFORDABLE
18 HOUSING AND OWNERSHIP FOR ALL ANGELENOS, THANK YOU.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBERS
21 STARTING IN 323, ENDING IN 05. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
22 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

23

24 **SOFIA QUINONES:** SOFIA QUINONES, EAST BOYLE HEIGHTS COALITION.
25 WE SUPPORT OWNERSHIP. HOWEVER, WE THINK THE MOTION HAS TO BE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 ENHANCED. THERE IS NO BENEFICIARY OWNER REGISTRY FOR
2 AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS IN L.A. COUNTY. DEVELOPERS HIDE UNDER
3 THE CLOAK OF NONPROFIT STATUS. NONPROFITS AND FOUNDATIONS
4 DON'T HAVE TO DISCLOSE WHO THEIR DONORS ARE. WHEN SUNSET
5 CAUSES ARE UP, AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS ARE SOLD OFF. SB1000
6 PROTECTS RED-NIGHT COMMUNITIES THAT ARE UNDERSERVED AND SUFFER
7 FROM ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE. I HAVE BEEN SPEAKING DIRECTLY WITH
8 EPA DUE TO THE LEGACY POLLUTION SITES IN EAST L.A. AND DUE TO
9 THE TWO RECENT ENVIRONMENTAL CATASTROPHES. IT IS ONE THING TO
10 TALK ABOUT EXISTING HOUSING UNITS AND THOSE YET TO BE BUILT.
11 TO CONTINUE BUILDING UNITS THAT COST \$500,000, IT'S
12 UNACCEPTABLE AND IT'S A FORM OF POVERTY PIMPING AT THE EXPENSE
13 OF THE PUBLIC PURSE AND AT THE EXPLOITATION OF RENTERS.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

16
17 **SOFIA QUINONES:** THE FAMILY'S THE MOST DIRECT.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** JAYANNE MASINGEN, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
20 PLEASE BEGIN. OKAY, NEXT CALLER, ANTHONY ARENAS. YOUR LINE IS
21 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **ANTHONY ARENAS:** HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ARENAS. I'M A LIFELONG
24 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 3 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW IN THE
25 JUSTICE L.A. COALITION AND I WANT TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 ITEM. I HEARD A SPEAKER EARLIER HAVE THE GALL TO SAY THAT WE
2 SHOULD INSTEAD OF INVESTING IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT WE
3 SHOULD INVEST IN CLOSING THAT CENTRAL JAIL. I'LL TELL YOU
4 RIGHT NOW, YOU WILL NOT CLOSE THE JAIL IF YOU DON'T HAVE
5 COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND YOU ALL HEARD FROM THE JAIL
6 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM LAST WEEK. MANY OF YOU HAVE
7 REAFFIRMED YOUR COMMITMENT TO CLOSE THE JAIL. AND IF YOU VOTE
8 NO ON THIS ITEM, I DON'T THINK YOU'RE TAKING YOUR COMMITMENT
9 TO CLOSING THE JAIL AND INVESTING IN CARE FOR A SERIOUS. YOU
10 REALLY CANNOT KEEP BREAKING YOUR PROMISES WITH THE COMMUNITY.
11 YOU HAVE ALL OF THESE FAMILIES HERE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF
12 COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING. LESS THAN 10 DEVELOPERS CAME TO
13 TELL YOU TO VOTE NO ON THIS. YOU ARE THE ONLY ONES IN THE WAY
14 OF ADVOCATING FOR COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818,
17 ENDING IN 00. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
18 BEGIN. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN. OKAY, WE'LL GET TO THE NEXT
19 CALLER. JAYANNE MASINGEL, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.
20 OKAY, NEXT CALLER, ANASTASIA KOMOROSKI. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED,
21 PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **ANN KOMAROSE:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **ANN KOMAROSE:** OH, MY NAME IS ANN KOMAROSE. I AM A NON-PARTISAN
3 CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND I DO NOT
4 SUPPORT ANY MORE MAIL-IN BALLOTS FOR ELECTIONS IN L.A. COUNTY

5

6 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** MA'AM, MA'AM, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. WE'RE
7 TAKING PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEM NUMBER 4. YOU CAN GET BACK IN
8 QUEUE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

9

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

14

15 **MATTHEW VU:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
16 MATTHEW VU. I'M THE BOARD PRESIDENT OF THE BEVERLY VERMONT
17 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST AND AN ORGANIZER WITH THE LOS ANGELES
18 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST COALITION. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS
19 MITCHELL AND SOLIS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON TENANT AND
20 COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY PURCHASE ACT. SINCE 2021 WHEN THIS WAS
21 FIRST BROUGHT UP BY THE BOARD, THE CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING
22 HAVE ONLY EXACERBATED. WE KNOW THAT CORPORATIONS ARE 60% OF
23 THE PURCHASERS IN POST-FIRE ALTADENA, AND THAT NUMBER
24 CONTINUES TO EXACERBATE. I HEAR THE REAL ESTATE LOBBY TALKING
25 ABOUT MARKET PRESSURE, THAT'S WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE. IT LOOKS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 LIKE THE DISINVESTMENT OF BLACK COMMUNITIES AND A TRANSFER OF
2 WEALTH FROM BLACK OWNERSHIP TO THEIR HANDS. AND PLEASE FORGIVE
3 ME IF I TAKE WHAT THEY SAID WITH THE GRANITE SALT. WE'RE
4 TALKING ABOUT THE CABAL THAT BROUGHT TO YOU RED LINING AND
5 RACIAL COVENANTS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT MARKET INTERVENTIONS THEY
6 ARE OPPOSED TO BUT THOSE ONES THEY'RE COOL WITH THIS 1 IS
7 ABOUT PUTTING PEOPLE AHEAD OF CORPORATIONS. PLEASE VOTE. YES.

8

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

10

11 **JAMIE PENN:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS, I'M JAMIE PENN I'M A
12 DISTRICT 5 RESIDENT AND THE TREASURER OF THE BEVERLY VERMONT
13 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM
14 NUMBER 4, T-COPA. AND I DO WANT TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS TO
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR BRINGING THIS BUSINESS. SO
16 I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND WHAT THIS MODEL BRINGS. ONE OF OUR
17 PROPERTIES, URBAN SOIL TIERRA URBANA IN KOREATOWN, KNOWN TO
18 MANY AS THE LOS ANGELES ECOVILLAGE, CAME OUT OF THE 1992
19 UPRISINGS. IT SAT NEARLY HALF VACANT FOR YEARS BEFORE WE
20 BROUGHT IT BACK. TODAY IT'S FULLY OCCUPIED AND FULL COMPLIANCE
21 WITH THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT WITH TENANT MANAGED GARDENS AND
22 NATIVE LANDSCAPING THAT HELPS COOL THE BLOCK. AND OVER A
23 DECADE LATER, WE'VE DISPLACED ALMOST NOBODY. RESIDENTS WHO
24 LIVED THERE WHEN WE ACQUIRED IT STILL LIVE THERE TODAY. THAT
25 IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPECULATIVE OWNERSHIP AND COMMUNITY



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 OWNERSHIP. T-COPA GIVES TENANTS AND LAND AND LAND TRUST THE
2 FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO BUY AND BEFORE THAT DIFFERENCE
3 DISAPPEARS. --

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

6
7 **SUAIRIS HERNANDEZ:** MY NAME IS SUAIRIS HERNANDEZ AND I JUST
8 WANTED TO CONGRATULATE THE SUPERVISORS FOR ACTUALLY COMING IN
9 AND LOOKING AT THIS QUESTION. THESE SMALL SHIFT IN INFORMATION
10 FLOWS ARE EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED. I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT THE
11 REAL ESTATE TEAMS WERE THE ONES THAT WERE AFTER RED ZONING WAS
12 DISCOURAGED AND ACTUALLY MADE ILLEGAL. THEY WERE THE BODIES
13 THAT CONTINUED REDLINING THROUGHOUT AND CONTINUE THE EFFECTS
14 OF IT TODAY. MANY PLACES ARE STILL BEING UNFAIRLY TREATED,
15 MANY FAMILIES ARE BEING DIVERTED TO NEIGHBORHOODS THROUGH THE
16 REAL ESTATE AGENCIES. THEY CONTINUE TO NEED A LOT OF EDUCATION
17 ON HOW TO ACTUALLY MARKET TO OUR PEOPLE. AND COPA AND TOPA
18 DOES THAT. THIS IS A SMALL SHIFT IN INFORMATION FLOWS. IT HAS
19 NO CONSTRUCTION COST. SOME OF THE FOLKS THAT HAVE OPPOSED HAVE
20 COME UP. THERE'S NOTHING HERE. IT'S A SMALL SHIFT IN
21 INFORMATION FLOWS THAT IS A VERY POWERFUL ONE. IT ALLOWS
22 TENANTS TO CONSIDER ACTUALLY PURCHASING. IT DOESN'T HAVE A
23 COST ON BUILDING. SO I THINK --

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



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **CLAUDIA ABUNDIS:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA.
3 THIS IS MY FIRST TIME BEING HERE AND I'M EXCITED, I'M
4 LEARNING. I'M HERE REPRESENTING MY TRANS COMMUNITY. AND FIRST
5 OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK HILDA SOLIS FOR RECOGNIZING THE RENT
6 BURDEN THAT OUR COMMUNITIES GO THROUGH. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
7 HOLLY MITCHELL FOR SUPPORTING THE TRANS COMMUNITY. AND I MEAN,
8 I REMEMBER YOU VISITING THE TRANSLATINA COALITION. SO PUTTING
9 THAT ASIDE, I JUST WANT TO MENTION, I HEARD THE LADY TALKING
10 ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO, YOU KNOW, TRYING TO MAKE LOS ANGELES, YOU
11 KNOW, PUT THE FOOT FORWARD, YOU KNOW, COMPARING TO SAN
12 FRANCISCO. SAN FRANCISCO IS ONE OF THE CITIES THAT SUPPORT THE
13 LGBT COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THE TRANS COMMUNITY. I DON'T HEAR
14 YOU, YOU KNOW, SUPPORTING THE TRANS COMMUNITY. OUR ELDERLY
15 TRANS SUFFER, YOU KNOW, A LOT, AND MOST OF US, YOU KNOW, ARE
16 HERE BY OURSELVES.

17

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

19

20 **CHICHI NAVARRO:** HELLO EVERYBODY. CHICHI NAVARRO WITH THE
21 TRANSLATINA COALITION. TGI PEOPLE AND ANGELENOS IN GENERAL
22 ACROSS THE CITY AND THE COUNTY ARE FACING A HOUSING CRISIS.
23 YOU ALL ARE AWARE OF THAT. THAT IS PUSHING TOO MANY WORKING
24 PEOPLE, SENIORS, AND VULNERABLE TENANTS OUT OF THEIR HOMES. IN
25 LOS ANGELES, FOR-PROFIT REALTORS AND DEVELOPERS KEEP ADVANCING



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 POLICIES THAT PRIORITIZE SPECULATION AND PROFIT OVER STABLE
2 HOUSING FOR REAL PEOPLE. THAT IS NOT A HOUSING SOLUTION. THAT
3 IS DISPLACEMENT DRESSED UP AS PROGRESS. COPA IS EXACTLY THE
4 KIND OF STRUCTURAL TOOL WE NEED TO KEEP MULTIFAMILY HOUSING IN
5 THE HANDS OF MISSION-DRIVEN TENANT-CENTERED OWNERS INSTEAD OF
6 GREED-DRIVEN INVESTORS. IT HELPS PROTECT COMMUNITIES BEFORE
7 DISPLACEMENT TURNS INTO HOMELESSNESS. AS THE CCBA DEVELOPS
8 THIS ORDINANCE, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE SEND A TENANT STABILITY,
9 PROTECT VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES SUCH AS TGI AND LOW-INCOME
10 COMMUNITIES, AND MAKE SURE THIS EFFORT STRENGTHENS LONG-TERM
11 HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FOR ANGELENOS WHO ARE MOST AT RISK.

12 THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **BRENDA TAFOYA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS BRENDA TAFOYA, EXECUTIVE
17 DIRECTOR OF EL SERENO COMMUNITY LAND TRUST AND PART OF THE
18 LACLT COALITION. OUR URGE IS TO SUPPORT T-COPA AS A PRACTICAL
19 SOLUTION TO OUR HOUSING CRISIS. AS PRACTITIONERS, WE WORK WITH
20 THE REAL ESTATE MARKET BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND IT, AND WE TRY TO
21 BRING THAT INFORMATION BACK TO OUR COMMUNITIES. WE FOCUS ON
22 NATURAL OCCURRING HOUSING AND SPECIALIZE IN MINIMIZING THE
23 BARRIERS OF OWNERSHIP THROUGH EDUCATION ADVOCACY, WHILE STILL
24 SERVING THE COMMUNITY AS PROFESSIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING
25 DEVELOPERS GUIDED BY COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY KNOW WHAT'S BEST



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 FOR THEM. WITH T-COPA, WE CAN PARTNER WITH WILLING SELLERS AND
2 TENANTS TO ACQUIRE PROPERTIES, ENSURING SMOOTH TRANSACTIONS
3 WHILE PRESERVING PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING, STABILIZING
4 NEIGHBORHOODS AND ENSURING THAT PUBLIC INVESTMENTS BENEFITS
5 GENERATIONS OF RESIDENTS. OUR URGE YOU TO SUPPORT T-COPA AS
6 SMART INVESTMENTS IN HOUSING STABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, AND
7 LONG-TERM COMMUNITY.

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

10
11 **JEFF FOWLER:** JEFF FOWLER, PRESIDENT OF THE APARTMENT OWNERS'
12 ASSOCIATION, THE LARGEST GROUP OF APARTMENT OWNERS IN THE
13 STATE. MANY OF OUR OWNERS, OUR MEMBERS, ACTUALLY OWN
14 CORPORATIONS. IT'S CALLED AN LLC. AND I'D ASK THAT YOU
15 DISTINGUISH THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN LLC AND A CORPORATE WALL
16 STREET TYPE OF INVESTOR, PRIVATE INVESTORS VERSUS CORPORATE.
17 PLEASE MAKE THE DISTINCTION WHEN YOU DO YOUR RESEARCH.
18 NONPROFITS ARE ALREADY PURCHASING. YOU'VE HEARD GOOD
19 TESTIMONIES ALREADY. SO I WANT DATA. HOW IS THIS NOT FAIR?
20 GIVE US REAL DATA. IF YOU WANT TO HELP RENTERS BUILD A LEGACY
21 THROUGH OWNERSHIP, CREATE A RESOURCE THAT WALKS THEM THROUGH
22 THE PROCESS OF HOW TO GET FUNDING, HOW TO EVALUATE, HOW TO
23 PURCHASE. DO THAT, HELP THEM LEAVE A LEGACY. WHAT DOES
24 BERKELEY, EAST PALO ALTO, AND REDWOOD CITY ALL HAVE IN COMMON?
25 TWO THINGS, THEY REJECTED COPA BECAUSE THEY DID THEIR



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SUPERVISORS

1 RESEARCH. THANK YOU.

2

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

4

5 **ANA HERNADEZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

6

7 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS AND EVERYONE ELSE WHO'S

8 HERE. MY NAME IS ANA HERNANDEZ. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT NUMBER 4.

9 I AM A MEMBER OF COMMUNITY POWER COLLECTIVE AND ALSO THE FREE

10 LAND COMMUNITY TRUST. AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 4. I'M

11 HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE T-COPA LAW. THOSE OF US WHO ARE RENTERS

12 IN OUR COMMUNITY DESERVE THE 1ST OPPORTUNITY TO BE BUYERS.

13 THROUGHOUT MANY YEARS AS RENTERS WE HAVE SUFFERED FROM

14 HARASSMENT AND EVICTION, MISTREATMENT FROM OWNERS THAT ARE

15 ONLY LOOKING FOR THEIR OWN INTERESTS. AND THROUGH T-COPA WE

16 ARE ABLE TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF WHERE WE LIVE. WE CAN BE ABLE TO

17 MANAGE OUR OWN DWELLING AND BE ABLE TO TAKE CHARGE OF OUR OWN

18 DECISION MAKING. THE COMMUNITY SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE CONTROL

19 OF THEIR OWN HOUSING AND LAND BECAUSE HOUSING IS A RIGHT, IT'S

20 NOT A LUXURY. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO LET THE

21 CORPORATIONS TO DECIDE OUR FAMILY'S FUTURES. PLEASE APPROVE

22 THE T-COPA. THANK YOU. HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **VICTOR RICKS:** MY NAME IS VICTOR RICKS. WE JUST CELEBRATED THE
2 4TH OF JULY WHICH WAS MONUMENTAL ON CHOICE. FIGHT FOR WHAT YOU
3 BELIEVE IN, YOU DESERVE WHAT YOU DO. IT'S YOUR FREEDOM OF
4 CHOICE. IT IS PARAMOUNT OF AN OWNER TO HAVE THAT CHOICE, TO
5 CHOOSE TO WHOM HE WANTS TO SELL THIS PROPERTY TO REGARDLESS OF
6 RACE, GENDER, RELIGION, OR MARITAL STATUS. OWNING AN APARTMENT
7 BUILDING IS A VERY TOUGH JOB. 4TH OF JULY I WAS REPLACING
8 SEWER LINES THAT BUSTED UNDERNEATH THE BUILDING. IT'S A VERY
9 DIFFICULT JOB. IT'S NOT JUST THIS GLAMOROUS THING YOU JUST OWN
10 APARTMENT BUILDING AND THE RENTS GO FROM HAND TO POCKET AND
11 NEVER GOES OUT. OWNER DOESN'T ALWAYS SELL HIS PROPERTY TO
12 SOMEONE WHO HAS THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF MONEY. HE MAY FEEL GOOD
13 ABOUT THAT YOUNG PERSON THAT TOOK CARE OF THE BUILDING AND HE
14 WANTED A CHANCE. SO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION, NOT THE STUMBLING
15 BLOCK. THANK YOU.

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

18
19 **SANDRA MCNEILL:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS. SANDRA
20 MCNEILL HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 4. I'M A 26-YEAR RESIDENT OF
21 SD2 AND A POLICY ADVISOR TO THE L.A. CLT COALITION. I APPLAUD
22 THE BOARD'S VISION FOR SENSIBLE POLICY WHICH WILL ENHANCE
23 TENANT STABILITY THROUGHOUT UNINCORPORATED NEIGHBORHOODS BY
24 STARTING WITH THE PILOT VERSION OF THE 5+ UNIT BUILDINGS,
25 WHICH WE, HRNA HAS ASSESSED WILL ONLY COVER BETWEEN 30 AND 130



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SUPERVISORS

1 TRANSACTIONS ANNUALLY. AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO TOGETHER HAVE THE
2 OPPORTUNITY TO TEST AND REFINE IMPLEMENTATION. IMPORTANTLY,
3 THIS CAN INCLUDE COORDINATION WITH ACQUISITION RESOURCES NEWLY
4 AVAILABLE THROUGH L.A. CAHSA CLT PPO AND HOME OWNERSHIP
5 PROGRAMS AS WELL AS HOPEFULLY A NEW BOND FUNDED \$500,000,000
6 STATE COMMUNITY ANTI-DISPLACEMENT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM. WE
7 REALIZE THIS POLICY IS MAKING AN ASK OF PROPERTY OWNERS TO
8 PLACE A SLIGHT PAUSE ON THEIR TRANSACTIONS, BUT WE HAVE FOUND
9 MANY LANDLORDS INTERESTED IN SELLING.

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

12
13 **MATTHEW BUCK:** HI, MATTHEW BUCK, VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC
14 AFFAIRS FOR THE CALIFORNIA APARTMENT ASSOCIATION ANYONE CAN
15 ALREADY PURCHASE PROPERTY COPA WOULD GO BEYOND THAT BY
16 CREATING A GOVERNMENT MANAGED PROCESS THAT GIVES PREFERENTIAL
17 TREATMENT TO CERTAIN ENTITIES AND COULD DELAY AND ADD DELAYS
18 TO PROPERTY SALES DELAYS WOULD CREATE UNCERTAINTY FOR OWNERS
19 BUYERS, LENDERS, AND RESIDENTS. COPA DOES NOT CREATE ANY NEW
20 HOUSING IT ONLY CHANGES TIMELINES FOR THOSE WHO MAY PURCHASE
21 EXISTING HOUSING. THE PROPOSAL WOULD REQUIRE EVEN MORE
22 BUREAUCRACY, WHICH WOULD INCREASE COSTS AND MAKE RENTAL
23 HOUSING INVESTMENT LESS PREDICTABLE. TO AVOID THESE COSTS, THE
24 COUNTY COULD SIMPLY HIRE A REALTOR TO SOURCE SALES. IF THE
25 BOARD CHOOSES TO MOVE FORWARD, PLEASE WORK TO PRESERVE OPEN



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SUPERVISORS

1 MARKET COMPETITION, MINIMIZE TRANSACTION DELAYS AND
2 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, AVOID UNNECESSARY BARRIERS TO BUYING AND
3 SELLING RENTAL HOUSING AND ENSURE STRICT CAPITAL AND
4 OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS ARE MET. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **ANTONIO HERNANDEZ:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS AND STAFF. MY NAME
9 IS ANTONIO WITH STRATEGIC ACTIONS FOR A JUST ECONOMY AND
10 CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND
11 PARTNERS HAVE ALREADY SHARED THE TOPA COPA DETAILS, AND YEAH,
12 JUST HERE TO ALSO STATE THAT WE'RE HERE TO FIND CREATIVE AND
13 STRUCTURAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR LONG-STANDING COMMUNITY RESIDENTS
14 TO STEWARD THEIR HOMES AND NEIGHBORHOODS. ALSO, I'VE HEARD
15 THAT THERE IS THIS HESITANCE OR THIS UNCLEAR ASPECT OF THE
16 PROCESS WHERE WE NEED TO FIND WAYS TO INCENTIVIZE PROPERTY
17 OWNERS AND INCLUDING SMALLER RESIDENTIAL OWNERS TO SERIOUSLY
18 CONSIDER SELLING TO TRUSTED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND
19 TENANTS INSTEAD OF BEING OUTBID BY CORPORATIONS AND HOUSING
20 SPECULATORS, ESPECIALLY IN HISTORICALLY REDLINED
21 NEIGHBORHOODS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CORPORATIONS AND HOUSING
22 SPECULATORS ARE NOT HOUSING PROVIDERS JUST TO SIMPLY PROVIDE
23 ACCESSIBLE HOUSING RIGHTS, SO THAT IS CLEAR. YEAH, LET'S JUST
24 CONTINUE TO PARTNER UP WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS FOR
25 TOPA --



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SUPERVISORS

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

3

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

5

6 **INTERPRETER:** A VERY GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MAGDALENA CÁCERES
7 AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION COLLECTIVE IN
8 EAST LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU, MS. SOLIS, FOR THIS MOTION
9 BECAUSE IN RECENT YEARS, RENTS IN THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY
10 HAVE INCREASED. THEY ARE VERY HIGH RENTS, AND SO WE ARE FACING
11 INSTABILITY IN OUR COMMUNITIES AROUND HOUSING IN THE
12 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THESE RENT
13 INCREASES MAKE US PREDISPOSED TO EVICTIONS. SO WE WOULD LIKE
14 TO ASK THAT YOU WOULD SUPPORT T-COPA. WE ARE ALSO IN SUPPORT
15 OF IT SO THAT THOSE OF US WHO ARE RENTERS WOULD HAVE THE FIRST
16 OPTION TO BE ABLE TO BUY OUR HOMES. AND OR ALSO HAVING THE
17 PRIORITY WHEN THERE IS A RENTED PROPERTY THAT IS PUT UP FOR
18 SALE. IN THIS WAY AS RENTERS WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE AN
19 AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTION AND BEING ABLE TO BUY OUR OWN
20 HOUSING. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **MIGUEL MONTERO:** HI, GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 MY NAME IS MIGUEL MONTERO. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SD2, HOLLY



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SUPERVISORS

1 MITCHELL. AND TODAY I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON TOPA COPA AND ASK FOR
2 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I'M
3 ALSO A PART OF A SAGE, STRATEGIC ACTIONS FOR A JUST ECONOMY,
4 AND OUR RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT CORPORATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE
5 LOCS, ARE AMASSING THESE LARGE PORTFOLIOS OF HOUSING, AND THIS
6 HAS LED TO A LOT OF PEOPLE BEING HARASSED IN THEIR UNITS.
7 ALSO, WE'VE NOTICED A LOT OF EVICTIONS AND EVICTION THREATS
8 COMING FROM THESE LANDLORDS AND JUST BIG REAL ESTATE PLAYERS.
9 SO WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR WITH TOPO COPA IS FOR THE PLAYING
10 FIELD TO BE LEVELED OUT AND TO GIVE TENANTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
11 GO AHEAD AND ALSO BUY UP THESE PROPERTIES FOR THEIR WELL-
12 BEING. --

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

15
16 **SCOTT KURZBAN:** HI, SCOTT KURZBAN. I AM AGAINST ITEM 4, AND
17 WE'VE HEARD A LOT OF COMMENTS HERE ABOUT HORRIBLE LANDLORDS.
18 WE ALREADY HAVE LAWS IN THE BOOKS THAT ABSOLUTELY SHOULD BE
19 UTILIZED TO COMBAT HORRIBLE LANDLORDS, BUT THE ANSWER ISN'T TO
20 LAYER ON REALLY CRAPPY POLICY. AND WE ALL WANT TO PRESERVE
21 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND REDUCE DISPLACEMENT, BUT GOOD
22 INTENTIONS DON'T ALWAYS PRODUCE GOOD POLICY. POLICIES LIKE
23 THIS MIGHT SAVE 11 UNITS, BUT THEY DISINCENTIVIZE THOUSANDS OF
24 UNITS FROM BEING BUILT. THE ONLY ANSWER TO L.A.'S HOUSING
25 CRISIS IS MORE UNITS. IT'S NOT TO STRANGLE THE OWNERS THAT ARE



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SUPERVISORS

1 PRODUCING, THAT HAVE THE UNITS, THAT ARE THE ONLY UNITS ON THE
2 MARKET. IT'S LITERALLY INSANITY. SUPERVISOR BARGER EVEN JUST
3 ADMITTED THAT YOUR OWN POLICIES HURT SMALL LANDLORDS, YET YOU
4 WANT TO DOUBLE DOWN ON BAD POLICY AND IN THE END NOT SOLVE THE
5 ACTUAL PROBLEM. SO I URGE YOU TO VOTE NO, RECONSIDER THIS,
6 STOP LAYERING ON BAD POLICY, ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONS, MORE
7 EMPLOYMENT FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, TO FORM LISTS AND SURVEIL
8 TRANSACTIONS.

9

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

11

12 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HELLO BOARD, MY NAME IS SHANNON OX. I'M A
13 PROUD OUT TRANSGENDER WOMAN. I SUPPORT VOTING YES ON THE
14 AGENDA ITEM 4 BECAUSE PROTECTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS
15 ESSENTIAL TO KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY DIVERSE, STABLE, AND
16 ACCESSIBLE FOR WORKING FAMILIES, SENIORS, VETERANS, AND YOUNG
17 PEOPLE, AND TRANS WOMEN. WHAT WE HAVE HEARD ONE AFTER ANOTHER
18 TODAY WAS ANOTHER SPOILED WHITE MAN WHO WORKS IN REAL ESTATE
19 WHO PROBABLY CHEATS ON THEIR WIVES SAYING PROTECTING THE MOST
20 VULNERABLE IS WRONG. PRESERVING AND EXPANDING AFFORDABLE
21 HOUSING HELPS ENSURE THAT RESIDENTS CAN CONTINUE TO LIVE WHERE
22 THEY WORK, RAISE THEIR FAMILIES, AND CONTRIBUTE TO OUR LOCAL
23 ECONOMY. A YES VOTE REFLECTS A COMMITMENT TO HOUSING
24 STABILITY, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, AND A STRONG FUTURE FOR LOS
25 ANGELES AND EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY. PROTECT TRANS WOMEN AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 PROTECT HOUSING.

2

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

4

5 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** GOOD MORNING, CLAUDIA HERNANDEZ, DWC DPSS. I
6 BELIEVE THAT MORE UNITS IS AN ANSWER. COPA COULD BE A REMEDY,
7 BUT REALISTICALLY, WE NEED FAIR WAGES PAID. WHAT WE MAKE, THE
8 WAGES WE MAKE, IT SHOULD BE ABLE TO EXTEND, TAKE US THERE TO
9 BE ABLE TO PAY FOR AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT IS QUALITY FOR
10 QUALITY OF LIFE. WE NEED FAIR PAY WAGES. WE NEED TO LOOK AT
11 THAT BECAUSE HERE IN L.A., WE PAY A LOT OF TAXES, WE PAY A LOT
12 OF MONEY FOR HOUSING AND EVERYTHING. SO WE HAVE TO LOOK AT HOW
13 IS IT THAT WE ARE, YOU KNOW, OUR WORK IS PAID AND HOW WE CAN
14 INCREASE THAT, DO SOMETHING WITH THAT, BECAUSE THERE'S GOING
15 TO BE UNITS, BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO AFFORD IT
16 BECAUSE WE CAN'T PAY FOR IT BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE JOBS AND
17 ALL THAT. SO IT IS CONNECTED. SO I THINK COPA IS A REMEDY AND
18 THEN --

19

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

21

22 **DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY:** GREETINGS, MY NAME IS DR. KRIDIKAL,
23 RACHEL DESIRE TRUTHBEY. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WANT TO SAY
24 EMILIO SALAS. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
25 SERVICE WITH LACTA. TRULY APPRECIATE IT. SO, UNIDOS PODEMOS.



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SUPERVISORS

1 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE THE GOAL OF PRESERVING
2 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PREVENTING DISPLACEMENT FOR EVERYDAY
3 WORKING CITIZENS, TAXPAYERS AND FAMILIES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED
4 HOMELESS FOR YEARS. AS A POLICY ANALYST, I'VE SEEN OVER AND
5 OVER AGAIN GOOD PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT LOSE PROPERTY
6 DUE TO PAY TO PLAY AND CORRUPTION. T-COPA IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
7 DEVELOP THE COUNTY AND ENSURE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
8 RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE, AND JUST EVERYDAY CITIZENS HAVE A WAY TO
9 HAVE A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE PROPERTY AND NOT TO
10 BE DISPLACED. WE ALSO RECOMMEND A FINANCIAL PROGRAM TO TEACH
11 AND GIVE LOAN GRANTS FOR THOSE FAMILIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO
12 WANT TO DO SO. SO THANK YOU, HILDA SOLIS AND MITCHELL, FOR
13 THIS INITIATIVE.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE
16 SPEAKERS. JAYAN MASANGLY, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.
17 THAT CALLER DROPPED. NATHAN NUNEZ, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
18 PLEASE BEGIN.

19
20 **NATHAN NUNEZ:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

23
24 **NATHAN NUNEZ:** HELLO, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS NATHAN FRANCISCO
25 NUNEZ, CONSTITUENT OF BOARD DISTRICT 4, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 SEMBRANO TUARESTE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, THE RISING COMMUNITY
2 LAND TRUST IN SOUTHEAST L.A. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
3 AGENDA ITEM 4. BEING A HEAVILY BURNED AREA IN SOUTHEAST L.A.
4 AND A LIFETIME RESIDENT OF SOUTHEAST L.A. CITIES LIKE CUDAHAY
5 OR A SUPER MAJORITY OF RENTERS AND APPROVING AN ITEM LIKE THIS
6 GOES TO SUPPORT THEM FINDING A LIVING SITUATION THAT IS
7 SUSTAINABLE, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT WITHIN THESE UPCOMING
8 CRISES AND THE UPCOMING TIMES, ESPECIALLY WITH THE HEAVY
9 AMOUNT OF RENT BURDEN THAT EXISTS. I MYSELF HAVE LIVED IN THE
10 SAME HOUSEHOLD FOR 27 YEARS AND MANY OF MY NEIGHBORS ARE, AND
11 WITHIN THAT TIME WE WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PURCHASE THIS
12 HOUSING WITH THE AMOUNT OF BEING ABLE TO PAY OFF A WHOLE
13 MORTGAGE. SO APPROVING AN ITEM LIKE THIS WOULD DO SO MUCH TO
14 THE RENT AND BURDENED, THE MAJORITY OF RENT-PAYING, LIVING
15 SITUATION THAT EXISTS IN SOUTHEAST L.A. AND I SUPPORT THIS
16 ITEM. THANK YOU.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JEAN MESSANGLI, YOUR LINE ISN'T
19 MUTED. PLEASE BEGIN. LOOKS LIKE THE CALLER DROPPED. MADAM
20 CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON
21 THIS ITEM.

22
23 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 4 IS BEFORE
24 YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HOLD ON. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR. I
4 JUST WANTED TO QUICKLY JUST THANK ALL OF THOSE WHO CAME TO
5 SPEAK. AND WE WERE ASKED TO DO SOME RESEARCH AND COLLECT SOME
6 DATA. SO I'M GOING TO RETURN THE FAVOR. OFTEN WHEN WE HAVE
7 THESE CONVERSATIONS AROUND HOUSING AND TENANTS' RIGHTS, WE
8 HEAR FROM KIND OF THE POLAR OPPOSITES. AND OFTENTIMES PEOPLE
9 COME, YOU OFFER YOUR TESTIMONY, THEN THEY LEAVE OR AFTER THIS
10 ITEM IS VOTED ON, THEY LEAVE. I WOULD ASK OF YOU THAT THOSE
11 WHO REPRESENT LAND TRUST ORGANIZATIONS BEFORE YOU LEAVE OUT IN
12 THE FOYER HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THE REALTOR. I WOULD ASK
13 THAT ONE OF THE TENANTS RIGHTS REPRESENTATIVES BEFORE YOU
14 LEAVE HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THAT REAL PROPERTY OWNER. I
15 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT AS YOU COME HERE AND YOU ADVOCATE
16 FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, THAT YOU ALSO SPEND SOME TIME HEARING
17 FROM THE OTHER PERSON. YOU KNOW, I WILL SAY THAT I BELIEVE
18 THAT HOUSING IS A RIGHT. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE
19 CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING, THE PROVISION OF HOUSING IS INDEED A
20 BUSINESS. AND THAT'S WHY I'M ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO HAVE THE
21 CONVERSATION. LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD ASK, I WASN'T HERE
22 IN 2020, I WASN'T SERVING ON THE BOARD YET, WHEN THE BOARD
23 VOTED TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. AND I WAS SURPRISED BY THE
24 COMMENT. AND SO IF ANY OF YOU CAN REMEMBER IF AGLA TOOK A
25 POSITION ON THE CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, BECAUSE IT



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1 SOUNDS AS IF BASED ON TESTIMONY TODAY, THEY ARE IN SUPPORT OF
2 IT. BUT I JUST WONDERED IF THEY TOOK A POSITION ON THE CLOSURE
3 WHEN THE MOTION CAME FORWARD. WE DON'T SEEM TO REMEMBER. THANK
4 YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE GO ON TO THE
7 VOTE, I DO WANT TO THANK THE FOLKS THAT CAME IN TODAY. I KNOW
8 THIS IS ROUGH WEATHER OUT THERE FOR A LOT OF REASONS, BUT I
9 WANT TO THANK YOU. [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]. THANK YOU. LET'S GO.
10 E.O.

11

12 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 4 IS BEFORE
13 YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WILL MOVE THE ITEM SECONDED
16 BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
17 CALL THE ROLL.

18

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

20

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

22

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

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

4 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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

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

9 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

12

13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.

14 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

17

18 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
19 CARRIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 7, RESTORING THE WILL OF
20 LOS ANGELES VOTERS

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

23

24 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** AT THE BALLOT BOX, WHICH WAS
25 HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING



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SUPERVISORS

1 US REMOTELY, TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE
2 HAND FEATURE IF YOU'RE ONLINE OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON A
3 TELEPHONE.

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

6

7 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I
8 HELD THIS ITEM TODAY BECAUSE OF THE DEPTH OF PUBLIC CONCERN
9 REGARDING THE FATE OF MEASURE J FOLLOWING THE PASSAGE OF
10 MEASURE G, AND BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO FOUGHT FOR MEASURE J
11 REALLY DESERVE TO HEAR DIRECTLY, I BELIEVE, FROM THIS BOARD
12 REGARDING OUR INTENTIONS. I REALLY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MANY OF
13 THE ADVOCATES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS, SOME OF WHOM WERE HERE
14 TODAY, ABOUT 100 OR SO WHO SHOWED UP AT CLUSTER, MANY OF WHOM
15 SPENT YEARS ORGANIZING TO MAKE MEASURE J A REALITY. AND IN
16 2020, IN THE MIDDLE OF A PANDEMIC AND A NATIONAL RECKONING ON
17 RACIAL JUSTICE, 57% OF L.A. COUNTY VOTERS MADE A HISTORIC
18 COMMITMENT TO INVEST DIRECTLY IN OUR COMMUNITIES IN "CARE
19 FIRST" AND JAILS LAST. AND NOW WE FACE THE POTENTIAL
20 UNDERMINING OF THAT HISTORIC COMMITMENT, NOT BECAUSE OF A
21 POLICY CHOICE BY THIS BOARD OR THE VOTERS, BUT FRANKLY,
22 BECAUSE OF A CLERICAL AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE FAILURE. DO THE
23 IDEA THAT THIS COMMITMENT COULD BE UNDONE EVEN POTENTIALLY
24 WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY IS
25 UNACCEPTABLE TO ME AND I HAVE HEARD AND SHARE YOUR



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SUPERVISORS

1 FRUSTRATION. A RUSHED DRAFTING ERROR CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO WIPE
2 OUT YEARS OF WORK ON JUSTICE REINVESTMENT. AND WHILE I WASN'T
3 RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT ERROR THAT LED TO THE REPEAL OF MEASURE
4 J, I AM CLEAR THAT I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO DO EVERYTHING
5 WITHIN MY POWER TO CORRECT IT AND ENSURE THAT THE WILL OF THE
6 VOTERS IS UPHELD. SO I AM REALLY RELIEVED AND GLAD THAT WE
7 HAVE A PATH FORWARD TO CLARIFY THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF
8 MEASURE J WITHIN OUR NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE FOLLOWING THE
9 ADOPTION OF MEASURE G. HOWEVER, THIS SITUATION IS A WAKE-UP
10 CALL. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO FIX THIS AFTER THE FACT. CHARTER
11 UPDATES MUST BE GOVERNED BY CLEAR TIMELINES, QUALITY CONTROLS,
12 AND ACCOUNTABILITY SO THAT NOTHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS AGAIN.
13 JUST AS IMPORTANTLY WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS WHAT
14 HAPPENS WHEN WE RUSH BIG THINGS. I'VE CONSISTENTLY RAISED
15 CONCERNS ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE SPEED AND UNPRECEDENTED
16 SCALE OF THE GOVERNANCE CHANGES THAT MEASURE G WOULD ADVANCE
17 AND THE DRAFTING OVERSIGHT THAT UNDERMINED MEASURE J THAT
18 WE'RE TRYING TO FIX TODAY AS A PAINFUL EXAMPLE OF JUST THAT
19 THE ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE REPRESENTS A FUNDAMENTAL AND
20 MASSIVE RESTRUCTURING OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT. WE ARE ONLY
21 BEGINNING TO DIGEST AND UNCOVER THE PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS OF
22 THIS CHANGE FOR HOW THE COUNTY OPERATES. THEREFORE, I BELIEVE
23 WE HAVE GOT TO BE CAREFUL TO ENSURE THAT ALL OF THE COUNTY'S
24 OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING MEASURE J, ARE UPHELD IN THIS NEW
25 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE. WE ALREADY HAVE A PROPOSED CHARTER



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1 AMENDMENT UNDERWAY TO ENSURE THAT THE NEW ETHICS COMMISSION
2 AND ETHICS COMPLIANCE OFFICE HAVE THE INDEPENDENCE VOTERS WERE
3 PROMISED UNDER MEASURE G. THIS UPCOMING CHARTER AMENDMENT IS
4 ALSO THE APPROPRIATE VEHICLE TO FIX THE ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR
5 THAT OCCURRED WHEN MEASURE G WAS ADOPTED. THIS MOTION IS
6 STRAIGHTFORWARD. IT DIRECTS COUNTY COUNSEL TO FOLD TWO
7 PROTECTIONS INTO THE CHARTER AMENDMENT ALREADY UNDERWAY ON THE
8 ETHICS COMMISSION. FIRST, IT MOVES MEASURE J TO A NEW SECTION
9 OF THE CHARTER SO THAT IT'S NO LONGER SUBJECT TO POTENTIAL
10 REPEAL IN 2028 UNDER MEASURE G. SECOND, IT MAKES EXPLICIT THAT
11 THE ELECTED COUNTY EXECUTIVE MUST FOLLOW MEASURE J, INCLUDING
12 NOT BEING ABLE TO VETO THE MEASURE J SET ASIDE THROUGH THE
13 BUDGET PROCESS. THE STATUS OF MEASURE J SHOULD NOT BE UP FOR
14 DEBATE. AGAIN, THE VOTERS SPOKE IN 2020. SO TODAY, THIS BOARD
15 HAS AN OBLIGATION TO UPHOLD THE WILL OF THE VOTERS, AND I'D
16 LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR HER DESIRE TO CO-AUTHOR
17 THIS IMPORTANT MOTION, AND I ASK OUR COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR
18 SUPPORT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK
23 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR THIS MOTION, FOR YOUR CONSISTENT
24 ADVOCACY AND COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE REFORM, AND FOR WELCOMING
25 ME AS A CO-AUTHOR ON THE MOTION. IN 2020, LOS ANGELES COUNTY



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1 VOTERS MADE THEIR VALUES UNMISTAKABLY CLEAR BY PASSING MEASURE
2 J. THEY RECOGNIZE WHAT WE KNOW TO BE TRUE. INVESTING IN
3 PREVENTION, CARE, AND OPPORTUNITY MAKES OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER,
4 STRONGER, AND MORE RESILIENT. SINCE THAT TIME, THE COUNTY'S
5 EFFORTS TO BUILD OUT ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND A
6 SYSTEM OF PREVENTION AND CARE HAVE SAVED COUNTLESS DOLLARS AND
7 LIVES. IT WAS THE RIGHT DECISION THEN AND IT IS STILL THE
8 RIGHT DECISION TODAY. THEN NEARLY TWO YEARS AGO, VOTERS SPOKE
9 AGAIN BY PASSING MEASURE G, CALLING FOR A COUNTY GOVERNMENT
10 THAT IS MORE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND RESPONSIVE TO THE
11 PEOPLE WE SERVE. WE ABSOLUTELY HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO HONOR
12 BOTH OF THOSE MANDATES, AND I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE,
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. WITH TODAY'S MOTION, WE ARE FULFILLING
14 THAT COMMITMENT AND MAKING SURE THE WILL OF THE VOTERS IS
15 TRULY REFLECTED IN OUR COUNTY CHARTER. I'M GRATEFUL TO THE
16 FRIENDS, ADVOCATES, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS AND VOTERS WHO HAVE
17 CONTINUED TO SHOW UP AND ORGANIZE, REMINDING US ALL WHAT IS AT
18 STAKE. OUR RESIDENTS DESERVE CARE, DIGNITY, AND A JUSTICE
19 SYSTEM THAT DELIVERS FOR THEM IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND I LOOK
20 FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO BUILD OUT THAT SYSTEM OF CARE WHILE
21 ALSO CREATING A COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT IS RESPONSIVE TO OUR
22 RESIDENTS WHO NEED IT MOST. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU'RE
25 RECOGNIZED.



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1
2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND THERE'S NO QUESTION IN
4 MY MIND THAT HAD THE VOTERS KNOWN THAT MEASURE J HAD BEEN
5 TAKEN OUT OF THE BALLOT MEASURE BEFORE THE VOTERS, IT WOULD
6 HAVE CHANGED A LOT AS IT RELATES TO THAT ELECTION, BUT THAT
7 WAS NOT KNOWN. BECAUSE I THINK THE COMMENT WAS MADE WHEN IT
8 WAS BROUGHT UP, THE CONCERNS THAT WE COULD FIX IT AND THIS IS
9 HOW WE'RE GOING TO FIX IT, IS BRINGING IT BACK TO THE VOTERS.
10 AND I DO APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE OVERSIGHT
11 CREATED BY THE APPROVAL OF MEASURE G. I OPPOSED MEASURE G, AS
12 YOU KNOW, WHEN IT CAME BEFORE THE BOARD BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT
13 LACKED SUFFICIENT STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT, TRUE TRANSPARENCY,
14 AND AMPLE REVIEW AND INPUT. IT IS IRONIC THAT IN QUICKLY
15 MOVING FORWARD WITH MEASURE G AND THE GOVERNANCE REFORM, THE
16 COUNTY OVERRODE A PREVIOUSLY VOTER APPROVED INITIATIVE AND IT
17 IS INCREDIBLY DISCONCERTING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CAN
18 PUT ANYTHING BEFORE THE VOTERS THAT REPEALS THEIR PREVIOUS
19 WISHES WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING THAT THEY ARE DOING SO AND I THINK
20 THAT IS WHAT I'M HEARING FROM A LOT OF OPPONENTS OF MEASURE J
21 WHO FOUGHT HARD TO GET IT ACROSS THE FINISH LINE ORIGINALLY.
22 TODAY'S MOTION WHILE CODIFYING THE WILL OF THE VOTERS FROM
23 NOVEMBER 2020 CAN ALSO BE CONSTRUED AS VAGUE WITHOUT FULL
24 DISCLOSURE OF THE AIR THE COUNTY CREATED BY MEASURE G AND THE
25 RECTIFICATION OF MEASURE J WHILE I SUPPORT THE ETHICS



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1 COMMISSION AND AGAIN, I BELIEVE THAT WE COULD DO THIS WITHOUT
2 A VOTER INITIATIVE, BUT TO MAKE IT TRULY INDEPENDENT. I THINK
3 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO BRING IT TO THE VOTERS. BUT I AM
4 CONCERNED ABOUT ADDING THIS LANGUAGE TO THE ETHICS COMMISSION
5 BALLOT MEASURE WITHOUT FULL DISCLOSURE TO THE VOTERS ABOUT THE
6 ERROR. THIS IS SETTING A CONCERNING PRESIDENT TO TRY TO FIX A
7 MISTAKE WITHOUT BEING FULLY TRANSPARENT TO THE VOTERS. I DON'T
8 KNOW IF IT WOULD CHANGE THE OUTCOME, BUT AGAIN, THE FACT THAT
9 WE HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE VOTERS TO REINSTATE SOMETHING THAT
10 I'M SURE THEY SPENT MILLIONS TO BRING ACROSS A FINISH LINE
11 SHOULD BE CONCERNING TO ALL VOTERS AS IT RELATES TO THINGS PUT
12 BEFORE THEM. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO READ THE
13 PROPOSITIONS BEFORE THEY VOTE ON THEM. ALTHOUGH I DON'T THINK
14 THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN CAUGHT BECAUSE IT WAS COMPLETELY DELETED
15 FROM THE BALLOT MEASURE AS IT RELATES TO MEASURE G. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND AS WE'RE
20 ALL TALKING ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT WE SUPPORTED MEASURE G OR
21 NOT, I WAS A BIG SUPPORTER OF MEASURE G AND WAS HAPPY TO CO-
22 AUTHOR THE BALLOT MEASURE WITH SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND THE
23 VOTERS, YOU KNOW, CLEARLY SUPPORTED IT. IT WAS OVERWHELMING
24 THAT THE VOTERS FELT LIKE IT WAS TIME TO REFORM COUNTY
25 GOVERNMENT IN SOME VERY LARGE WAYS. AND WHILE, YEAH, CERTAINLY



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1 WE TALKED A LOT ABOUT TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY AND
2 EFFICIENCY. THIS REALLY WASN'T, IT WAS A TERRIBLE UNINTENDED
3 CONSEQUENCE. NO ONE SAW THAT WAS HAPPENING. WASN'T IT YOUR
4 COMMISSIONER, JOHN FASANO, THAT FOUND IT? WHICH WE'RE GRATEFUL
5 FOR THAT. NO ONE THOUGHT THAT MEASURE G WOULD IN ANY WAY HAVE
6 THE ABILITY TO REPEAL MEASURE J. BECAUSE THE VOTERS WERE
7 PRETTY CLEAR ALSO IN 2020 WITH MEASURE J THAT THEY WANTED TO
8 SEE MORE COUNTY DOLLARS GOING TOWARDS COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS TO
9 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE MORE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND
10 IF WE'RE EVER GOING TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, WHICH I THINK
11 WE ARE ALL COMMITTED TO DOING, WE HAVE TO HAVE MORE
12 INVESTMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY TO AVOID MORE INCARCERATION. SO
13 EVEN AFTER THE JUDGE DECLARED MEASURE J UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THIS
14 BOARD AGAIN, REALLY DOUBLED DOWN AND LISTENED TO THE WILL OF
15 THE VOTERS AND FULLY SUPPORTED MEASURE J IMPLEMENTATION BY
16 CODIFYING IT INTO THE COUNTY'S "CARE FIRST" COMMUNITY
17 INVESTMENT POLICY. SO MEASURE J IS NOW THE LAW OF THE LAND AND
18 IT MUST CONTINUE TO BE SO. EVEN WHEN MEASURE G GOES INTO
19 EFFECT IN 2028. WE CANNOT LET THIS TECHNICAL ERROR INVALIDATE
20 THE WILL OF THE VOTERS. SO, APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND
21 HORVATH BRINGING THIS FORWARD TO PRESERVE MEASURE J BY ASKING
22 OUR VOTERS TO SUPPORT THE CHARTER AMENDMENT THAT WILL BE ON
23 THIS NOVEMBER BALLOT AND ENSURE THAT MEASURE J IS NOT REPEALED
24 ONCE MEASURE G GOES INTO EFFECT IN 2028. THE CHARTER AMENDMENT
25 WILL ALSO MAKE SURE THAT BOTH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE



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1 COUNTY EXECUTIVE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE "CARE FIRST"
2 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT IMPLEMENTATION. I ALSO APPRECIATE THAT,
3 BECAUSE AT ONE POINT IT WAS GOING TO GIVE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
4 THE ABILITY TO VETO THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THAT. SO
5 THIS WILL MAKE SURE THAT THAT STILL FALLS WITHIN THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE. SO I THINK THAT'S
7 ALSO A REALLY IMPORTANT PIECE OF THIS BALLOT MEASURE. SO I'M
8 COMMITTED TO UPHOLDING MEASURE J, SO I WILL DEFINITELY BE
9 SUPPORTING THIS MOTION, AND I'M PRETTY SURE OUR VOTERS ARE
10 SOPHISTICATED ENOUGH AND EDUCATED ENOUGH TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT
11 IS THEY'RE VOTING ON THIS NOVEMBER. SO THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS
14 TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND HORVATH FOR BRINGING THE MOTION
15 FORWARD. THE MOTION MAKES THE NECESSARY CORRECTION TO THE
16 ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT THAT PUT MEASURE J AT RISK. AND I
17 WANT TO SAY THAT I'M PROUD THAT I WAS A CO-AUTHOR OF THE
18 INITIAL MOTION TO PLACE MEASURE J ON THE 2020 BALLOT AND ALSO
19 VERY SUPPORTIVE OF, OBVIOUSLY, THE MEASURE G TO HELP REFORM
20 OUR GOVERNMENT. I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE A
21 CONTINUANCE OF OUR EFFORT TO CONTINUE TO LOOK AT OURSELVES AND
22 HOW WE PROVIDE "CARE FIRST" AND JAILS LAST. AND AS WE MOVE TO
23 REAFFIRM THAT COMMITMENT, THAT'S WHAT OUR VOTE WILL BE TODAY,
24 WHATEVER REFLECTIVE THAT MIGHT BE. BUT I CONTINUE TO SEE THAT
25 THERE'S SO MUCH IMPORTANT WORK AHEAD OF US, ESPECIALLY TO



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1 ADVANCE THE ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT REFORMS THAT VOTERS APPROVED
2 WITH MEASURE G. WITH THAT, I WILL ASK OUR EO TO GO TO PUBLIC
3 COMMENT.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
6 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. KAYLANI BROWN, JOI
7 RICHARDSON, ALONZO HILL, ADRIANA URJANO, FELICIA CARBAJAL,
8 CLAUDIA BONDIS, AQUILLINA SORIANO VERSOZA, PAMELA MOLLADA,
9 CHELSEA VELEZ, JARED JAMES, ALEX BASS, JOSE CATALAN, SABRA
10 WILLIAMS, DEANNA PITTMAN, ANGELA ARROYO, MAJOR BUNTON, CHICHI
11 NAVARRO, MEGAN CASTILLO, TRASKO, PALOMA BUSTOS. AS A FINAL
12 REMINDER TO REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING
13 QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 7. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE
14 THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE OR PRESS STAR 3 ON YOUR
15 TELEPHONE NOW. WE WILL BEGIN WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **KAYLANI BROWN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS KAYLANI BROWN, AND I'M
19 HERE TODAY BECAUSE I BELIEVE MEASURE J REPRESENTS SOMETHING
20 BIGGER THAN A BUDGET LINE. GROWING UP, MY FATHER WAS AND STILL
21 IS INCARCERATED. THESE EXPERIENCES SHAPE HOW I MOVE THROUGH
22 THIS WORK TODAY. I WORK BEHIND THE SCENES HELPING COMMUNITY
23 ORGANIZATIONS KEEP THESE PROGRAMS RUNNING. I CAN TELL YOU
24 THESE AREN'T ABSTRACT DOLLARS. THEY BECOME CASE MANAGEMENT,
25 LEGAL SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, REENTRY SERVICES, AND



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1 OPPORTUNITIES THAT PEOPLE DEPEND ON. STABLE FUNDING ALLOWS
2 ORGANIZATIONS TO FOCUS ON SERVING PEOPLE INSTEAD OF WORRYING
3 WHETHER THEY'LL EXIST NEXT YEAR. WHEN FUNDING BECOMES
4 UNSTABLE, OF COURSE ORGANIZATIONS SUFFER, BUT IT'S THE PEOPLE
5 AND FAMILIES WHO LOSE ACCESS TO THE SUPPORT THEY'VE COME TO
6 RELY ON THAT ARE MOST IMPACTED. PUBLIC SAFETY ISN'T ONLY ABOUT
7 RESPONDING AFTER HARM HAS HAPPENED, IT'S ABOUT CREATING THE
8 CONDITIONS WHERE PEOPLE HAVE HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT,
9 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AND SOMEWHERE TO TURN BEFORE A
10 CRISIS BECOMES IRREVERSIBLE. MEASURE J WAS APPROVED BECAUSE
11 VOTERS BELIEVED IN INVESTING IN PEOPLE. I ASK YOU TO HONOR
12 THAT DECISION AND PROTECT BOTH --

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

15
16 **JOI RICHARDSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOI RICHARDSON AND I'M HERE TODAY ON
18 BEHALF OF ST. JOSEPH CENTER. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO
19 SUPPORT ITEM 7 AND RESTORE THE WILL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 VOTERS BY ENSURING THAT THE COMMITMENTS ESTABLISHED THROUGH
21 MEASURE J REMAIN PERMANENTLY REFLECTED IN THE COUNTY CHARTER.
22 EVERY DAY, ST. JOSEPH CENTER STANDS ALONGSIDE INDIVIDUALS AND
23 FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
24 CHALLENGES, AND ECONOMIC HARDSHIP. WE KNOW FROM THE WORK IN
25 OUR COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT IN



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1 INVESTMENTS IN HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, WORKFORCE
2 DEVELOPMENT, AND SUPPORTIVE PROGRAMS ARE NOT ONLY
3 COMPASSIONATE, THEY ARE ESSENTIAL STRATEGIES THAT CREATE
4 PATHWAYS TO STABILITY AND STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY. THE "CARE
5 FIRST" APPROACH RECOGNIZES THE TRUE PUBLIC SAFETY IN PUBLIC
6 WHEN INDIVIDUALS HAVE ACCESS TO RESOURCES THAT ARE NECESSARY
7 TO THRIVE. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

9

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

11

12 **MEGAN CASTILLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MEGAN
13 CASTILLO. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 2 AND I'M WITH LA DEFENSA
14 AND THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
15 HOLLY MITCHELL AND LINDSEY HORVATH FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
16 FORWARD TO PROTECT COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND HONOR THE WILL OF
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS. MEASURE J FUNDS LIFE-SAVING
18 SERVICES THAT ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES OF INSTABILITY. THESE
19 INVESTMENTS SUPPORT HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, YOUTH
20 PROGRAMS, VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAMS, AND FOR MANY FAMILIES
21 THESE SERVICES ARE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STABILITY AND
22 FALLING INTO CRISIS. AND SO SUPPORTING THIS MOTION WILL HELP
23 TO ENSURE THAT THIS COUNTY PROVIDES THE STABILITY THAT CBOS
24 NEED, SOME OF WHOM ARE PRESENT TODAY. AND WITHOUT THAT
25 CERTAINTY, ORGANIZATIONS FACE LAYOFFS, SERVICE REDUCTIONS, OR



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1 EVEN CLOSE THEIR DOORS. AND ADMINISTRATIVE ERRORS SHOULD NEVER
2 OVERRIDE THE CLEAR INTENT OF THE VOTERS. WE NEED ALL OF YOUR
3 HELP TO PROTECT THESE CRITICAL INVESTMENTS, PRESERVE MEASURE
4 J, AND VOTE YES ON THIS MOTION. AND WHILE I'M HERE, CLOSE
5 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, FREE THE 50 GIRLS, BLACK LIVES MATTERS,
6 AND REMEMBER, DREAMS DO NOT HAVE BORDERS. THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **ALONZO HILL:** HI, MY NAME IS ALONZO HILL, REPRESENTING DOWNTOWN
11 WOMEN'S CENTER. FOR NEARLY 50 YEARS, DWC HAS LED WOMEN AND
12 SURVIVORS-CENTERED HOUSING SOLUTIONS IN LOS ANGELES, AND WE
13 ARE PROUD TO RECEIVE CFCI FUNDING THROUGH MEASURE J. THESE
14 FUNDS SUPPORT BENEFITS, EMPLOYMENT, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
15 FOR 600 PEOPLE ANNUALLY, BUILDING INDEPENDENCE AND PROVIDING
16 ALTERNATIVES TO OUR INCARCERATION. MEASURE J FUNDING ALSO
17 SUPPORTS OUR MOBILE EMPLOYMENT, SPECIALIST MENTAL HEALTH
18 CLINICIANS, COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS, AND PEER SUPPORT
19 SPECIALISTS. THESE STAFF MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ESSENTIAL IN
20 REACHING MORE JUST AND INVOLVED PEOPLE THAN EVER BEFORE.
21 MEASURE J ENDS HUNDREDS OF WOMEN AND SURVIVORS WHO RECEIVE
22 SERVICES FROM DWC ALONE COULD LOSE ACCESS TO RESOURCES THAT
23 PREVENT CRIMINALIZATION AND RECIDIVISM. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE
24 THE BOARD SUPERVISORS TO VOTE YES ON SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND
25 SOLIS' MOTION TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT MEASURE J FUNDING. THANK



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1 YOU.

2

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

4

5 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** [INAUDIBLE] IMPACT CENTER, A RESIDENT OF
6 DISTRICT 3, AND A PROUD MEMBER OF REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION.
7 MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS, GOOD AFTERNOON. I RISE TODAY IN
8 SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
9 AND HORVATH. I CAN TELL YOU LADIES EXACTLY WHAT "CARE FIRST"
10 INVESTMENTS HAVE MADE POSSIBLE. THROUGH CFCI FUNDING, WE BUILT
11 AN EXPUNGEMENT PROGRAM ROOTED IN A SIMPLE BELIEF. OUR
12 COMMUNITIES ARE NOT THE PROBLEM, THEY ARE THE SOLUTION. WE
13 LEVERAGE THAT INVESTMENT TO SECURE ADDITIONAL FUNDING, EXPAND
14 OUR SERVICES AND CREATE OPPORTUNITIES LED BY PEOPLE WITH LIVED
15 EXPERIENCE. ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE IS CHANTEL, A FORMERLY
16 INCARCERATED BLACK QUEER SINGLE MOTHER OF TWO. SHE CAME TO US
17 FOR AN EXPUNGEMENT TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT. AFTER
18 RECEIVING THAT SECOND CHANCE, SHE CAME BACK, NOT FOR MORE
19 SERVICES, BUT TO SERVE. SHE PARTICIPATED IN OUR LEADERSHIP AND
20 WELLNESS FELLOWSHIPS AND TODAY SHE'S EMPLOYED SERVING OUR
21 UNHOUSED POPULATION AND VOLUNTEERING WITH US. THAT'S WHAT CFCI
22 DOES.

23

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

25



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1 **JOSE CATALAN:** MY NAME IS JOSE CATALAN. I'M A COMMUNITY
2 ORGANIZER WITH A NEW WAY OF LIFE. FIRST, I WANT TO THANK
3 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR TAKING THE LEADERSHIP ON THIS. SO WE
4 STRONGLY URGE THE COUNTY TO RESTORE MEASURE J AND TO FULLY
5 FUND "CARE FIRST" COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY
6 VOTERS MADE THEIR VOICES CLEAR WHEN THEY CHOSE TO INVEST
7 HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, REENTRY SERVICES, YOUTH
8 DEVELOPMENT, AND OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS
9 THE ROOT CAUSES OF HARM IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THESE INVESTMENTS
10 CREATE SAFER, HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES BY EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY
11 AND REDUCING RECIDIVISM AND DECREASING RELIANCE ON
12 INCARCERATION. WE ASK THE COUNTY TO HONOR THE WILL OF THE
13 VOTERS BY PROTECTING MEASURE J, ENSURING THE CRITICAL
14 INVESTMENTS REMAIN TOP PRIORITY. THANKS TO COMMUNITY-BASED
15 PROGRAMS, I MYSELF, I'M NO LONGER IN A PRISON, BUT I'M HERE
16 BEFORE YOU AS A TAXPAYER AND SUPPORTING MY COMMUNITY. AND FOR
17 THAT, I URGE YOUR A VOTE ON AGENDA, ITEM 7. THANK YOU.

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

20
21 **JARED JAMES:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY
22 NAME IS JARED JAMES, A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH NEW WAY OF
23 LIFE, AND WE URGE THE COUNTY TO PROTECT MEASURE J FROM REPEAL
24 AND FULLY FUND "CARE FIRST" COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS. VOTERS GAVE
25 A CLEAR MANDATE, INVEST IN HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH, YOUTH



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1 DEVELOPMENT, AND REENTRY SERVICES. TRUE PUBLIC SAFETY MEANS
2 INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND EXPANDING ALTERNATIVES TO
3 INCARCERATION, NOT TURNING BACK THE CLOCK. HONOR THE VOTERS
4 AND FULLY FUND OUR FUTURE. THANK YOU.

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

7
8 **PAMELA MOLLERA:** GOOD MORNING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
9 NAME IS PAMELA MOLLERA. I ADVOCATE FOR TGI HOUSING. HOUSING IS
10 NECESSARY TO ALL ANGELENOS BECAUSE OF TEAM RESOURCE SUCH AS
11 MENTAL HEALTH CARE, FOOD AND HOUSING IS BECOMING MORE
12 DIFFICULT EVERY DAY. IN THE PAST, DUE TO HEALTH PROBLEMS, I
13 ALMOST LOST MY APARTMENT, BUT LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER HELPS
14 ME, SO I DIDN'T LOSE MY APARTMENT. THE TGI COMMUNITY OFTEN
15 FACE VIOLENCE, EXCLUSION FROM EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION. NOW
16 I'M WORRIED BECAUSE I WILL HAVE SURGERIES IN THE END OF THE
17 MONTH. IN THINKING ABOUT MY HEALTH PROBLEMS, I HAVE BEEN IN
18 RISK TO LOSE MY APARTMENT AGAIN. AND I DON'T WANT TO BE
19 HOMELESS. SUPERVISORS, PLEASE CONSIDER MY TGI COMMUNITY TO
20 GIVE US SAFE PLACE --

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

23
24 **CLAUDIA ABUNDIS:** IT'S ME AGAIN, CLAUDIA ABUNDIS. BUON
25 APPETITE, BUEN PROVECHO. SO BACK IN 1999, 2000, I WAS



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1 INCARCERATED. WHEN I CAME OUT, I LOST MY APARTMENT. I HAD TO
2 START FROM ZERO. SO I'M HERE FOR YOU TO SUPPORT MEASURE J,
3 "CARE FIRST", JAIL LAST. AS YOU KNOW, THE TRANS COMMUNITY IS A
4 SMALL PERCENTAGE OF, YOU KNOW, THE COMMUNITY. BUT WE'LL BE AN
5 ATTACK, EVEN BY PRESIDENT TRUMP. WHY? I DON'T UNDERSTAND.
6 WE'RE A SMALL COMMUNITY. SO, I URGE YOU TO KEEP US IN MIND,
7 SUPPORT TRANS COMMUNITY AND MEASURE 4. PLEASE KEEP US IN MIND.
8 AND I ALSO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE TGI, THE TRANSLATINA
9 COALITION HAS A HOUSING INITIATIVE. IT'S A \$20,000,000 TWO-
10 YEAR TRANS RIGHTS PROTECTIONS.

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

13
14 **CHELSEA VELEZ:** HI, I'M CHELSEA VELEZ. I'M HERE AS THE POLICY
15 COORDINATOR WITH TRANSLATINA COALITION, AND I'M ALSO A PROUD
16 COALITION MEMBER OF REIMAGINE L.A. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF
17 DISTRICT 1. SO I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 1. L.A.
18 VOTERS HAVE OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED MEASURE J AND ESTABLISHED
19 A PERMANENT COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ALTERNATIVES TO
20 INCARCERATION AND TO THE COUNTY'S "CARE FIRST" VISION. AS
21 YOU'VE HEARD, THE TRANSGENDER GENDER NONCONFORMING AND
22 INTERSEX COMMUNITY IS TWICE AS LIKELY TO BE INCARCERATED
23 COMPARED TO THE GENERAL POPULATION. OUR COMMUNITY IS FOUR
24 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY. WE
25 ARE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY POLICING, VIOLENCE, AND THE DECISIONS



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1 YOU ALL MAKE HERE. WE HAVE DEMANDED REFORM AND TRANSPARENCY.
2 WE HAVE DEMANDED RESOURCES, FUNDING, AND INVESTMENT IN OUR
3 COMMUNITIES. WE PROVIDED YOU WITH CREATIVE SOLUTIONS THAT ARE
4 COMMUNITY LED, SOLUTIONS LIKE TRANSLATINAS' COALITION'S TGI
5 HOUSING INITIATIVE, YOUTH PROGRAMMING, REENTRY SERVICES,
6 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND MANY OTHER WAYS FOR Y'ALL TO IMPLEMENT
7 "CARE FIRST" PRIORITIES.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO REMOTE
10 SPEAKERS. SIERRA J. CYFC, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

11

12 **SIERRA JASWICK** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON
13 MEASURE J. I'M SIERRA JASWICK, COLLEGE AND DATA MANAGER WITH
14 CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY COLLABORATIVE. I AM REPRESENTING
15 LYDIA SINCLAIR TEMPLETON, ESQUIRE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
16 CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY COLLABORATIVE, AN AGENCY AND PROJECT
17 OF HOLMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. WE ARE IN FAVOR OF MEASURE
18 J. AS NOT ONLY AN EMPLOYEE OF A YOUTH PROGRAM THAT SERVES ALL
19 YOUTH WITH A FOCUS ON FOSTER AND AT-RISK YOUTH. I'M ALSO A
20 TESTAMENT TO THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING THESE PROGRAMS IN PLACE,
21 ESPECIALLY TO ADDRESS SYSTEMIC RACISM, HISTORICAL INEQUITIES
22 AND TO REALLOCATE FUNDS DIRECTLY TO MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES.
23 AS A FORMER FOSTER YOUTH MYSELF, IF IT WASN'T FOR THESE
24 PROGRAMS IN PLACE, I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I AM TODAY, HOLDING A
25 BACHELOR'S IN HUMAN SERVICES AND AN MBA DEGREE, AS WELL AS



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1 LEAVING INTO A DOCTOR PROGRAM IN EDUCATION, A BUSINESS OWNER,
2 COMMUNITY ADVOCATE FOR FOSTER YOUTH AND PARENTS. MEASURE J
3 WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE IMPORTANT COMMUNITY YOUTH
4 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS LIKE OURS, THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO
5 MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT AND GRANT YOUTH THE CHANCE TO PLUG
6 YOURSELVES INTO SOMETHING POSITIVE.

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. BROOKLYN CARTER, YOUR LINE IS
9 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

10
11 **BROOKLYN CARTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS BROOKLYN CARTER
12 AND I'M A RESIDENT OF ESCE2 AND AN INTERN WITH THE REIMAGINE
13 L.A. COALITION. I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 7 AND
14 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR PUTTING THIS
15 MOTION FORWARD. AS A YOUNG BLACK WOMAN LIVING IN AN
16 UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES WHERE THE CITY OF COMPTON IS
17 LITERALLY MY BACKYARD I'M NO STRANGER TO THE INEQUITIES
18 AFFECTING MY BLACK AND BROWN LOW-INCOME COMMUNITY MEMBERS. I'M
19 FROM A HOME WHERE MY MOTHER AND FATHER WORK EXTREMELY HARD TO
20 PROVIDE FOR MY FAMILY DESPITE THE SYSTEMATIC PUSHBACK THEY
21 RECEIVE AS BLACK CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY. MEASURE J ALLOWS NOT
22 ONLY MY FAMILY BUT MY COMMUNITY TO HAVE A LIFELINE TO FALL
23 BACK ON IN TIMES OF NEED AND SUFFERING. WITHOUT IT OUR
24 COMMUNITY WILL SUFFER. OUR PEOPLE WILL BE LAID OFF, TURNED
25 AWAY FROM JOBS, AND ULTIMATELY BE PUSHED IN THE DIRECTION OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 FAILURE AS IT GOES UNCAREFUL AND UNSUPPORTED. SUPERVISOR
2 BARGER, HAHN, AND SOLIS, SUPPORTING MY COMMUNITY IS UP TO YOU.
3 CHOOSE TO PROTECT MEASURE J. THANK YOU.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CAITLIN PLAYER, YOUR LINE IS
6 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

7
8 **CAITLIN PLAYER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CAITLIN PLAYER. I'M AN
9 INTERN FOR LA DEFENSA AND I'M SPEAKING TODAY IN STRONG SUPPORT
10 FOR ITEM 7, RESTORING THE WILL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS
11 AND THE BALLOT BOX TO PROTECT MEASURE J. MEASURE J WAS PASSED
12 BY MORE THAN 2,000,000 VOTERS WHO DEMANDED A PERMANENT
13 STRUCTURAL COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SAFETY THROUGH PREVENTION,
14 CARE, AND OPPORTUNITY, NOT INCARCERATION. AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR
15 TECHNICAL AREA SHOULD NEVER OVERRIDE THE DEMOCRATIC WILL OF
16 THE PEOPLE. MEASURE J FUNDS CRUCIAL EVERYDAY INFRASTRUCTURE,
17 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS SUPPORT, YOUTH
18 DEVELOPMENT, AND COMMUNITY-BASED DIVERSION. THESE PROGRAMS
19 TACKLE THE ROOT CAUSES OF INSTABILITY BEFORE PEOPLE END UP IN
20 JAILS, HOSPITALS, OR EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. TRUE SAFETY
21 MEANS INVESTING IN "CARE FIRST". PROTECTING MEASURE J IS THE
22 FIRST STEP. THE COUNTY MUST FULLY RESTORE ITS ORIGINAL
23 LANGUAGE, ENSURE FUNDS ARE FULLY FUNDED YEARLY AND KEEP THIS
24 PROCESS COMPLETELY TRANSPARENT AND ACCESSIBLE TO COMMUNITY
25 PROVIDERS. I URGE THE BOARD TO PROTECT MEASURE J AND UPHOLD



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE PROMISE MADE TO L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBERS
4 STARTING IN 7602, ENDING IN 88. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
5 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

6

7 **JOSH BERNANKE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS, FOR BEING WITH THE AGENDA ITEM TODAY, AND THANK
9 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR YOUR SUPPORT. MY NAME IS JOSH
10 BERNANKE. I'M A HOUSING COORDINATOR WITH BERLIN CORNERS. I'M A
11 MEMBER OF GROUND GAME L.A. TO ADDRESS LONG-STANDING RACIAL AND
12 ECONOMIC INEQUITIES AFFECTING BLACK, BROWN, LOW-INCOME,
13 DISABLED, AND SYSTEM-IMPACTED COMMUNITIES. MEASURE J FUNDS
14 LIFESAVING SERVICES THAT COMMUNITIES DEPEND ON, INCLUDING
15 PROGRAMS, INVESTMENTS, INCLUDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND
16 HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAMS, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND
17 CRISIS SUPPORT PROGRAMS, VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND HUMAN
18 PROGRAMS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. PROGRAMS LIKE THESE
19 PREVENT THE LIKELIHOOD OF PEOPLE REENTERING JAIL AND BEING
20 INCARCERATED AND HELP PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR
21 YOUR SUPPORT IN SUPPORTING MEASURE J.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. FREDDIE PUSA, YOUR LINE IS
24 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **FREDDY PUZA:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS FREDDY PUZA. I'M THE
2 MAYOR OF CULVER CITY, BUT I'M REPRESENTING MYSELF TODAY. I'M
3 SPEAKING IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO PERMANENTLY
4 PRESERVE MEASURE J AND L.A. COUNTY'S CHARTER AS WE TRANSITION
5 TO THE NEW GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR
7 CO-AUTHORING IT. THE VOTERS OVERWHELMINGLY APPROVED MEASURE J
8 BECAUSE THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT INVESTING IN PEOPLE IS
9 FUNDAMENTAL TO BUILDING SAFER, STRONGER, HEALTHIER
10 COMMUNITIES. IN CULVER CITY, WE'VE SEEN THE VALUE OF A "CARE
11 FIRST" APPROACH. INVESTMENTS IN MENTAL HEALTH RESPONSE,
12 HOMELESSNESS SERVICES, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, YOUTH PROGRAMS,
13 AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS HELP PEOPLE BEFORE THEY
14 REACH A POINT OF CRISIS. THESE INVESTMENTS DON'T JUST CHANGE
15 INDIVIDUAL LIVES THEY MAKE OUR ENTIRE REGION STRONGER AND
16 REDUCE LONG-TERM COSTS FOR TAXPAYERS PLEASE ENSURE MEASURE DAY
17 REMAINS A PERMANENT COMMITMENT BY PROTECTING IT WITHIN THE
18 CHARTER. THANK YOU.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JANET ASANTE, YOUR LINE IS
21 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **JANET ASANTE:** HI, MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE, RESIDENT OF
24 DISTRICT 2 AND CAMPAIGNS FOR POWER NOW AND THE JUSTICE L.A.
25 COALITION. THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY INCREDIBLE VOICES HERE



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1 ADVOCATING FOR MEASURE J TO BE PROTECTED AND RIGHTFULLY SO
2 IT'S A DISGRACE THAT MEASURE J WAS EVEN NECESSARY GIVEN THAT
3 THESE INVESTMENTS ARE COMMON SENSE AND EVIDENCE-BASED. SO MANY
4 PEOPLE HAVE FOUGHT AND DIED FOR MEASURE J TO EXIST AND WE'RE
5 STILL FIGHTING FOR THE COMMUNITY CARE HEALTH AND SAFETY AND
6 THE ATI DOLLARS THAT ARE COMMUNITY LED. AS WE KNOW WE HAVE A
7 PLAN WITH BUDGETARY RECOMMENDATIONS TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL
8 JAIL. AND NOW THAT WE ARE PROTECTING MEASURE J, THAT'S EXACTLY
9 WHERE A LOT OF THESE DOLLARS SHOULD BE GOING TO MAKE ALL OF US
10 SAFER AND BETTER TAKEN CARE OF AND TO END THIS HARMFUL MASS
11 INCARCERATION SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU TO
12 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION.
13 AND I STRONGLY URGE THE REST OF THE BOARD TO VOTE IN FAVOR.
14 THANK YOU.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. BYRON, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
17 PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. BYRON WITH THE TRANSLATINA
20 COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND
21 ALL YOUR DEPUTIES AND TEAM FOR ENGAGING THEIR STAKEHOLDERS AND
22 AS PART OF THE PROCESS BUT ALSO THROUGHOUT CLUSTER. A LOT MORE
23 VOTERS VOTED FOR MEASURE J THAN MEASURE G, AND THE COURT OF
24 APPEALS ACTUALLY UPHELD THAT MEASURE J IS CONSTITUTIONAL. SO
25 LET'S MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT MISREPRESENTING THE FACTS TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE PUBLIC. AND SPEAKING OF INFORMING THE VOTERS AND THE
2 PUBLIC, LET'S REALLY TALK ABOUT WHO WAS AT FAULT HERE. WHO
3 CREATED THE ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR INSTEAD OF TALKING ABOUT, AND
4 LET'S ALSO TALK ABOUT HOW MUCH MONEY THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND
5 THE CEO SPEND WITH A LABS AND PROBATION OFFICERS TO OPPOSE
6 MEASURE J AND APPEAL IT IN THE COURT. WE ARE COMMITTING TO
7 "CARE FIRST", CARE LAST, AND WE MOVE FORWARD TO UPHOLDING THE
8 WILL OF THE VOTERS. LET'S MAKE SURE WE CLOSE THE CENTRAL JAIL
9 TODAY.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JESSICA FARRIS, YOUR LINE IS
12 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **JESS FARRIS:** HI, I'M JESS FARRIS. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 4
15 AND A SENIOR POLICY COUNCIL WITH THE ACLU OF SOUTHERN
16 CALIFORNIA, AS WELL AS A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A.
17 COALITION. WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH
18 FOR THIS MOTION. WE FULLY SUPPORT IT AND IT SOUNDS FROM ALL
19 YOUR DISCUSSION LIKE ALL OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORT IT SO THANK
20 YOU TO ALL OF YOU. GIVEN THAT SUPPORT TO PROTECT MEASURE J WE
21 URGE YOU ALSO TO HONOR IT MORE FULLY BY GIVING MORE DOLLARS TO
22 "CARE FIRST" INVESTMENTS TO STOP FUNDING THE FAILED POLICIES
23 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, TO CLOSE MCJ. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT WHEN
24 YOU PROTECT AND HONOR MEASURE J, YOU PROTECT AND HONOR
25 ANGELENO'S. THANK YOU.



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SUPERVISORS

1
2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANTHONY ARENAS, YOUR LINE IS
3 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

4
5 **ANTHONY ARENAS:** ANTHONY ARENAS, BLACK LAW RESIDENT OF DISTRICT
6 3, SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF ITEM 7 AND FULLY FUNDING MEASURE J
7 WHICH YOUR CONSTITUENTS OVERWHELMINGLY SUPPORTED IN 2020 MORE
8 SO THAN MEASURE G. THANK YOU SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH
9 FOR YOUR EFFORTS. IF ANY OF THE SUPERVISORS TODAY CONTINUE TO
10 DELAY FUNDING, YOU'RE COMPLICIT IN DENYING THE WILL OF THE
11 PEOPLE. AS SOMEONE WHO KNOCKED DOOR TO DOOR IN 2019 AND SPOKE
12 TO VOTERS ABOUT MEASURE J, THE PEOPLE NEED CARE NOT CAGES.
13 JUST LAST WEEK YOU ALL HEARD FROM THE JAIL CLOSURE
14 IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, AND IF YOU'RE SERIOUS ABOUT "CARE FIRST",
15 IF YOU'RE SERIOUS ABOUT PROMISES MADE, PROMISES KEPT, YOU WILL
16 VOTE YES TO FULLY FUND MEASURE J. YOU'RE THE ONLY ONES IN THE
17 WAY OF THIS. WHERE IS THE OPPOSITION TODAY FIGHTING TO DENY
18 FUNDING TO ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION? WHERE ARE THEY? IT'S
19 THE PEOPLE WHO COME OUT AND ASK AND DEMAND THAT YOU KEEP YOUR
20 PROMISES MADE. YOU'RE THE ONLY ONES IN THE WAY.

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

23
24 **ANTHONY ARENAS:** NO MORE DELAY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IBA ALLAY, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS IBA ALLAY. I'M WITH
5 WHOLE SYSTEMS LEARNING AND WE RECEIVED FUNDING FROM CFCI. THIS
6 FUNDING HASN'T JUST AFFECTED THE PEOPLE THAT PARTICIPATED, IT
7 HAS AFFECTED THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND OTHER
8 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. WHAT SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID REALLY SPOKE
9 EVERYTHING THAT I COULD EVER SPEAK. BUT I WILL SAY THAT THIS
10 IS ALSO IN MY 30 YEARS OF WORKING IN L.A. COUNTY, THAT THERE
11 HAS EVER BEEN A PROGRAM THAT HAS PROVIDED THE KIND OF
12 APPROPRIATE SERVICES THAT ACTUALLY HELP THE PEOPLE THAT NEED
13 HELP. THANK YOU.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
16 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. BEBE ALVAREZ,
17 RENEE OCAMPO, JOSHUA BRINEKE, LUPITA C., SHANNON AX, KASSIDI
18 MALDONADO, EVELYN ESPINAL, AERO DYKES, VIV MELENDREZ, AND
19 SYNTHIA MEZA. WE WILL NOW CONTINUE WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
20 PLEASE BEGIN.

21

22 **ADRIANA ARJONA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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24 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ADRIANA
25 ARJONA. I AM A SURVIVOR OF HAVING LIVED ON THE STREET AND I



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE NOT HAD A WAY TO GET AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THESE 20 YEARS
2 THAT I WENT THROUGH, I WAS RAPED, I WAS BEAT UP, I WAS
3 DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. IT IS NECESSARY FOR US TO BE TAKEN INTO
4 ACCOUNT. TRANS WOMEN MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. BECAUSE WE
5 ARE NOT INCLUDED. WE FACE A LOT OF RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION.
6 I DON'T WANT TO GO THROUGH THE SAME THING THAT I WENT THROUGH
7 20 YEARS AGO BECAUSE I LIVED ON THE STREET FOR 20 YEARS. AND
8 IT IS PAINFUL BECAUSE THERE'S NOT ANYBODY TO HELP US OR DIRECT
9 US. I JUST MAKE ENDS MEET BY SELLING ROSARIES AND SCAPULA AND
10 DIFFERENT PARTS OR ACCESSORIES FOR CARS. THAT'S THE ONLY WAY.
11 I HAVE A DISABILITY AND THAT DOESN'T ALLOW ME TO WORK.

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

14
15 **CHICHI NAVARRO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CHICHI NAVARRO WITH THE
16 TRANSLATINA COALITION, PART OF REIMAGINE LOS ANGELES. FIRST
17 AND FOREMOST, SHOUT OUT TO SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL AND
18 LINDSEY HORVATH, Y'ALL, FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN. I HOPE THAT
19 YOU WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER THOUGH AND TO
20 ENSURE THAT AN ERROR LIKE THIS DOES NOT CONTINUE TO HAPPEN
21 BECAUSE THIS WAS MASSIVE, AS YOU'VE SEEN. I WANT TO ALSO
22 UPLIFT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SAFEGUARDS INTRODUCED IN THIS
23 MOTION TO ENSURE THAT OUR FUTURE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS WELL
24 AS THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADHERE TO MEASURE J AND THE WILL OF
25 THE PEOPLE. AS OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO HEIGHTEN



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1 ITS ATTACKS ON TGI, IMMIGRANTS, LOW-INCOME WORKERS, THE
2 DISABLED, AND ALL PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT WEALTHY WHITE CIS MEN.
3 AND AS OUR ECONOMY CONTINUES TO BE PULVERIZED BY A MADMAN WHO
4 EMBODIES THE WORST OF WHITE SUPREMACY, RESTORING MEASURE J IS
5 NOT JUST A NECESSARY TOOL TO COUNTERACT THESE CONTINUOUS
6 ATTACKS, BUT REAFFIRMS THE BEST IN HUMANITY THAT ALL PEOPLE
7 CAN DO GOOD WHEN PROVIDED WITH THE PROPER PATHWAYS. SO THANK
8 YOU FOR REAFFIRMING YOUR BELIEF IN "CARE FIRST", BUT MOST
9 IMPORTANTLY, YOUR --

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

12
13 **AQUILINA SORIANO VERSOZA:** HI, I'M AQUILINA SORIANO VERSOZA
14 WITH THE PILIPINO WORKERS CENTER. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS
15 MOTION. AND YOU MAY HAVE SAW WE HAD MORE MEMBERS HERE TO
16 SPEAK, BUT UNFORTUNATELY THEY COULDN'T WAIT BECAUSE THEY HAD
17 TO GET BACK TO WORK AS CAREGIVERS. BUT WE WERE ALL SPEAKING IN
18 FAVOR OF THIS ITEM 7 AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR OUR WHOLE
19 COUNTY THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PRESERVE MEASURE J, CARE NOT
20 INCARCERATION AND TO UPHOLD THIS SENTIMENT THAT REALLY CAME
21 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A WHOLE. OF COURSE, WE NEED TO
22 INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES TO THRIVE AND NOT INVEST IN
23 INCARCERATION. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND PLEASE VOTE YES ON
24 ITEM 7.



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **ALEX BASS:** GOOD MORNING REPRESENTATIVES. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON
4 ITEM 7. MY NAME IS ALEX BASS. I'M A PROUD TRANS RESIDENT OF
5 DISTRICT 3 AND THE POLICY ASSOCIATE FOR TRANSLATINA COALITION.
6 I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE J. THIS MEASURE COULD CORRECT
7 THE RACIAL INJUSTICES SEEN IN THE TRADITIONAL CARCERAL SYSTEM
8 BY SHIFTING FINANCIAL RESOURCES AWAY FROM THESE SYSTEMS AND
9 INTO COMMUNITY CARE, FOR EXAMPLE, TOWARDS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.
10 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES LIKE THE TRANSGENDER, GENDER EXPANSIVE,
11 THE INTERSEX COMMUNITY, THE DISABLED, THE ELDERLY, THE SYSTEM
12 IMPACTED, AND THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE HOMELESSNESS,
13 VIOLENCE, AND A LACK OF ACCESS TO CENTRAL SERVICES AT A HIGHER
14 RATE THAN ANY OTHER COMMUNITY. THE TGI HOUSING INITIATIVE
15 WOULD PRIORITIZE HOUSING STABILITY. WE ARE ASKING THE COUNTY
16 TO INVEST IN A TWO-YEAR PROGRAM, \$20,000,000 HOMELESSNESS
17 PREVENTION PROGRAM, WHICH WOULD FUND AND PROVIDE RENTAL
18 ASSISTANCE, FLEXIBLE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, HOUSING NAVIGATION,
19 AND TENANT RIGHTS EDUCATION. INVESTING IN TGI HIGHS ARE A
20 CRUCIAL STEP FOR THE COUNTY IN CONTINUING TO ADVANCE EQUITY.

21

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

23

24 **SABRA WILLIAMS:** HI, I'M SABRA WILLIAMS FROM CREATIVE ACTS,
25 TEACHING ARTIST. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND HORVATH.



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SUPERVISORS

1 I WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY. I THINK WE NEED
2 TO START TO REALLY THINK ABOUT WHO IS THE PUBLIC AND WHAT IS
3 THE SAFETY. I'VE BEEN WORKING INSIDE PRISONS FOR MORE THAN 20
4 YEARS NOW, SO I'VE EXPERIENCED WHAT IT WAS LIKE WHEN WE ONLY
5 HAD THREE PROGRAMS ACROSS THE STATE. PRISONS WERE THREE TIMES
6 OVERCROWDED, AND VIOLENCE AND RECIDIVISM WERE OFF THE CHARTS.
7 TODAY, CALIFORNIA HAS HISTORICALLY LOW CRIME RATES AND YOUTH
8 ARREST RATES. DATA ON WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE FUND IN-PRISON
9 PROGRAMS IS CLEAR. TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH IN PARTICULAR SHOW
10 ENHANCED MENTAL HEALTH OUTCOMES, LOWERING OF VIOLENCE, LESS
11 LIKELIHOOD OF GANG ACTIVITY, AND RETURN HOME PREPARED AND
12 RESOURCE TO TRANSFORM THEIR LIVES. I MISSED A WORLD CUP MATCH
13 HERE TO COME AND SPEAK HERE TODAY. THAT'S IMPORTANT IT IS TO
14 ME. I HOPE IT'S MORE IMPORTANT TO YOU. THANK YOU.

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

17
18 **MAJOR BUNTON:** HI. MY NAME IS MAJOR BUNTON. I AM THE DIRECTOR
19 OF PROGRAMMING FOR CREATIVE ACTS. WE ARE READY TO RISE IN CFCI
20 GRANTEES. THANK YOU, HOLLY MITCHELL, FOR THIS MOMENT. THERE'S
21 CURRENTLY A PUSH TO TAKE FUNDING AWAY FROM PRISON YOUTH
22 PROGRAMS. AT THE SAME MOMENT AS OUR YOUTH ARE IN THE SHARP AND
23 A PROBATION CRISIS, PROGRAMS FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE, YOUTH AND
24 PROVEN CRITICAL FOR LOANING VIOLENCE AND GANG INVOLVEMENT,
25 SUPPORTING AND IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND KEEPING



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1 THEM IN SCHOOL AND EMPLOYED. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO REMOVE
2 THIS FUNDING, BUT TO EXPAND IT. THAT IS A REAL PUBLIC SAFETY.
3 THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **DEANNA PITTMAN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DEANNA PITTMAN AND I'M A
8 RESIDENT OF SD2, AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S
9 FREEDOM CENTER. WE'RE ALSO A CFCI GRANTEE. MEASURE J IS THE
10 WILL OF L.A. COUNTY VOTERS, AND THEY'RE VOTERS WHO KNEW THAT
11 IT WAS TIME TO ADDRESS THE HISTORICAL INJUSTICES AND MOVE AWAY
12 FROM CONTINUING TO FUND CARCERAL SOLUTIONS. AT THE YOUNG
13 WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER WE WORK TOWARDS BUILDING UP THE
14 LEADERSHIP OF FORMERLY INCARCERATED GIRLS, GENDER EXPANSIVE
15 YOUTH, AND TRANS YOUTH. THE "CARE FIRST" COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS
16 TRULY MAKE THIS WORK POSSIBLE AND IT SCARES ME TO THINK OF A
17 FUTURE OF WHAT OUR WORK WOULD LOOK LIKE WITHOUT IT. THIS
18 FUNDING HAS ALLOWED US TO HOST WEEKLY YOUTH CIRCLES, A YOUNG
19 MOM SUPPORT GROUP, AN ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM, AND WEEKLY
20 ONE-ON-ONE MENTORSHIP WITH YOUTH. LET'S NOT JEOPARDIZE THIS
21 OVER AN ERROR. PROTECT MEASURE J AND MAKE IT PERMANENT.

22

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

24

25 **PALOMA BUSTOS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS PALOMA BUSTOS WITH THE SUNITA



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1 JAIN THE TRAFFICKING INITIATIVE AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL AND THE
2 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. THANK YOU SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND
3 HORVATH FOR BRINGING THE MOTION TO PROTECT MEASURE J. THE
4 COUNTY HAS REPEATEDLY SAID THAT IT IS COMMITTED TO A PUBLIC
5 HEALTH APPROACH WHEN TALKING ABOUT ISSUES RELATED TO
6 HOMELESSNESS, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, HUMAN
7 TRAFFICKING, MENTAL HEALTH, AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION.
8 BUT A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH HAS TO BE BACKED BY REAL
9 INVESTMENTS. THAT MEANS INVESTING IN PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY-
10 BASED CARE, INCLUDING HOUSING AND SUPPORT SERVICES, AND NOT
11 RELYING ON PUNISHMENT AS A MAIN RESPONSE TO COMPLEX SOCIAL
12 ISSUES. THIS MATTERS BECAUSE WHEN PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE THE
13 SUPPORT, THEY BECOME MORE VULNERABLE TO HARM. AT SJI, WE SEE
14 THIS OFTEN IN HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND EXPLOITATION CASES.
15 PROTECTING MEASURE J IS HOW THE COUNTY FOLLOWS THROUGH ON ITS
16 WORK TO TAKE A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES.
17 SO I URGE YOU TO PASS THIS MOTION, THANK YOU.

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

20
21 **ANGELA ARROYO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ANGELA ARROYO. I AM
22 A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 2 AND A MEMBER OF THE YOUNG WOMEN'S
23 FREEDOM CENTER. I AM HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 7. AS
24 A FORMERLY INCARCERATED YOUTH MYSELF, ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS FOR
25 YOUTH INCARCERATION LIKE THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER AND



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1 BELOVED HELPED ME ACHIEVE MY GOALS, LIKE GETTING MY HIGH
2 SCHOOL DIPLOMA, EMPLOYMENT AND NEW WAYS OF HEALING. AND THAT'S
3 NOT SPEAKING ON ALL THE YOUTH THEY HELP OUT INDIVIDUALLY AND
4 WORK WITH TO PREVENT US FROM REOFFENDING. NEVER IN THE FIVE
5 YEARS I WAS IN AND OUT OF JUVENILE HALL THAT I RECEIVED THESE
6 OPPORTUNITIES. INSTEAD, I FELT HELPLESS, OPPRESSED BY THE
7 PEOPLE WHO SHOULD HAVE HELPED ME INSTEAD OF PUNISHING AND
8 RELEASING ME TO THE SAME ENVIRONMENT WITH NO GUIDANCE PROGRAMS
9 LIKE THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER AND BELOVED SHOULD
10 CONTINUE TO BE FUNDED THROUGH THE CFCI SO YOU'D LIKE MYSELF
11 CAN STRIVE AND BE GUIDED TOWARDS SUCCESS AND NOT OPPRESSION
12 OPPORTUNITY AND SECOND CHANCES PROTECT MEASURE. J. THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **ZINNIA MORENO:** MY NAME IS ZINNIA MORENO AND I AM A RESIDENT OF
17 SD3 AND UCLA GRADUATE STUDENT HERE TODAY WITH LA DEFENSA. I AM
18 ALSO ONE OF THE 2,100,000 VOTERS THAT VOTED FOR MEASURE J
19 BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THAT NOBODY CAN GET WELL IN A CELL, AND
20 OUR CYCLES OF CRIMINALIZATION PERPETUATE HARM RATHER THAN
21 HEALING. I HAVE ALSO WORKED INSIDE, OH, I'M SORRY, LIKE
22 PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER, WHERE I
23 USED TO WORK. I HAVE ALSO WORKED INSIDE THE RIGHTFULLY CLOSED
24 DOWN CAMP JOSEPH SCOTT AND CHALLENGER MEMORIAL YOUTH CENTER AS
25 WELL AS THE ILLEGALLY OPERATING LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL,



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SUPERVISORS

1 ALL CESSPOOLS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST MINORS THAT FUNNELS THEM
2 STRAIGHT INTO THE ADULT PRISON SYSTEM. I OPPOSE THE CONTINUOUS
3 SHUFFLING OF PEOPLE AND DOLLARS FROM ONE FACILITY TO ANOTHER
4 WHEN THERE ARE TRANSFORMATIVE PROGRAMS WE COULD FUND INSTEAD I
5 ASK THAT YOU NOT JUST RESTORE MY WILL AS A VOTER BUT
6 PRIORITIZE THE WELL-BEING OF ALL THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND TODAY
7 BECAUSE INSTEAD OF RECEIVING SERVICES, THEY ARE LOCKED IN
8 CAGES. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE
11 SPEAKERS. VERONICA LEWIS, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **VERONICA LEWIS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS VERONICA LEWIS. I'M
14 THE CURRENT AND INAUGURAL CHAIR OF MEASURE J AND CFCI ADVISORY
15 COMMITTEE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR
16 CORBATH FOR CO-AUTHORING. AS A PERSON WHO'S BEEN HERE
17 LITERALLY FROM THE BEGINNING OF MEASURE J, I'M EXTREMELY PROUD
18 OF THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES THAT HAVE BEEN SAVED AND
19 CHANGED BECAUSE OF IT. THE 150+ GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION, MANY
20 OF WHICH WERE FOUNDED BY PEOPLE WHO WERE SYSTEM IMPACTED, THAT
21 HAVE FUNDING FOR THE FIRST TIME TO REALLY BE BEACONS OF LIGHT
22 IN THEIR COMMUNITY. AND THEN MEASURE J'S CSCI PUSHED THE
23 COUNTY TO CREATE A UNIQUE WAY TO INCORPORATE MEANINGFUL
24 COMMUNITY LED AND DRIVEN BUDGETING AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION.
25 AND WITH THAT SAID, WHILE WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S



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1 WILLINGNESS TO CREATE THE CFCI BUDGET POLICY IN 2021, AS EACH
2 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE SAID, THE WILL OF THE VOTERS
3 TO CODIFY A DEEP AND SUSTAINED INVESTMENT INTO ALTERNATIVES TO
4 INCARCERATION AND DIRECT COMMUNITY INVESTMENT IN THE COUNTY
5 CHARTER IS FULLY NECESSARY. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
6 AND AFFIRMATIVE VOTE TODAY TO REINSTATE MEASURE J.

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MYA HENDRIX, YOUR LINE IS
9 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

10
11 **MYA HENDRIX:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MY NAME IS
12 MYA HENDRIX. I'M A RESIDENT OF SD3 AND A MEMBER OF THE
13 REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA
14 ITEM 7. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH FOR
15 ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE. MEASURE J WAS ONE OF THE CLEAREST
16 EXPRESSIONS OF PUBLIC DEMAND FOR BUDGET TRANSFORMATION IN LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY HISTORY. MORE THAN 2,100,000 VOTERS VOTED IN
18 FAVOR BECAUSE THEY UNDERSTAND THAT PUBLIC SAFETY CANNOT BE
19 ACHIEVED THROUGH INCARCERATION. FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, A BIG
20 PART OF MY JOB HAS BEEN ADVOCATING FOR THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION
21 OF MEASURE J. THROUGH THAT EXPERIENCE, I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND
22 HOW BENEFICIAL MEASURE J HAS BEEN FOR OUR COMMUNITIES.
23 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EXPAND THEIR
24 PROGRAMS, PAY THEIR STAFF, AND PROVIDE VITAL FRONTLINE
25 SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, HAHN, AND



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1 BARGER, IT'S UP TO YOU TO VOTE YES ON THIS MOTION AND TAKE THE
2 NEXT STEP TO RESTORE THE COUNTY'S MISTAKE, PRESERVE TRUST, AND
3 SAVE LIVES. THANK YOU.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANTHONY ROBLES, YOUR LINE IS
6 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN. ANTHONY, PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE
7 NEXT CALLER. JAMES TAKAMATSU, YOUR LINE'S UNMUTED. PLEASE
8 BEGIN.

9
10 **JAMES TAKAMATSU:** HI, MY NAME'S JAMES TAKAMATSU WITH DIGNITY
11 AND POWER NOW AND THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION, CALLING IN
12 SUPPORT OF ITEM 7. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND
13 HORVATH FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD, CORRECTING AN EXTREME
14 OVERSIGHT BY THE COUNTY. IN 2020, L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS
15 OVERWHELMINGLY VOTED TO SURPASS MEASURE J TO CREATE A FUND TO
16 TRANSFORM L.A. COUNTY INTO THE "CARE FIRST" VISION OUR
17 COMMUNITIES DESPERATELY WANT TO SEE MEASURE J IS VITAL TO THE
18 COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO CLOSE MEN CENTRAL JAIL WITHOUT A
19 REPLACEMENT AND BUILDING OUT A CONTINUUM OF CARE AND SERVICES
20 OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS NEED MANY PROGRAMS IN THE JAIL CLOSER
21 IMPLEMENTATION TEAMS PLAN TO CLOSE MCJ RELY ON FUNDING FROM
22 MEASURE J AND CFCI. LOSING THIS FUNDING WOULD BE A DEVASTATING
23 BLOW TO OUR COMMUNITIES. DISPOSING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE
24 BECAUSE OF AN OVERSIGHT BY THOSE IN POWER WOULD BE AN
25 INJUSTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. MAKE THIS RIGHT,



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1 PROTECT MEASURE J NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER
4 STARTING IN 8183, ENDING IN 00, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
5 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN.

6

7 **JOHN:** HELLO, HELLO. YES, YES. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

8

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

10

11 **JOHN:** THANK YOU! THANK YOU, JOHN. YES, THANK YOU. THANK YOU,
12 MR. SIR, IN ALCADENA, DISTRICT 5. THANK YOU, ALL THE FAMILIES
13 THERE AND EVERYONE CALLING ON THE LINE. YOU KNOW MISTAKES
14 HAPPEN AND OPPOSITION IS REAL. BUT TO GOD BE THE GLORY. RIGHT?
15 IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YEAH THIS I KNOW YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO
16 AFFIRM THIS. I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO PASS THIS. BUT NOT ONLY
17 MEASURE J BUT THE EXPANSION TO MEASURE G. REMEMBER WE SHARED
18 THE SONG. JUSTICE SHALL RETURN TO RIGHT AND THE UPRIGHT WILL
19 FOLLOW IT. THIS IS THE UPRIGHT FOLLOWING THE RIGHT WILL OF THE
20 PEOPLE WAS CALLED FOR, REGARDLESS OF THE LAWSUITS, REGARDLESS
21 OF THE SHIM SHAM. YES, YES. AND LET IT EXPAND. THAT'S WHAT I
22 HEARD. TO THE NEW DISTRICT. AND EVERYONE HAS TO HONOR "CARE
23 FIRST", COMMUNITY INITIATIVE. WE KEEP US SAFE. YES. JOSH
24 SPACE. YEAH, JOSH FACE. MICHAEL, 4 AND 4.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER
2 STARTING IN 7142 ENDING IN 96. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
3 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. HI, CALLER, PLEASE BE IN.

4

5 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HELLO. HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

6

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

8

9 **TRAZ CO:** MY NAME IS TRAZ CO. I URGE YOU TO LISTEN TO THE
10 PEOPLE THAT HAVE SPOKE HERE TODAY AND VOTERS THAT HAVE ALREADY
11 VOTED ON THIS. THE FUNDING IS FOR THE PEOPLE. I ALSO WORK FOR
12 THE SOCIAL IMPACT CENTER AND OUR EXPANSION OF SERVICES ARE
13 ESSENTIAL FOR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR WHO WOULD DESCRIBE,
14 FORTUNATELY, FACING INCARCERATION, VIOLENCE IN THE JUSTICE
15 SYSTEM. IT IS THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY AND DUTY TO UPHOLD
16 AND PRESERVE MEASURE J THE WAY THAT THE PEOPLE INTENDED THEIR
17 VOTES TO DO. IT IS A LIFE AND DEATH SITUATION FOR SOME OF US
18 AS WE KNOW THAT THE PRISONS ONLY DO HARM AND DELIVER MORE PAIN
19 TO OUR BLACK AND BROWN BROTHERS AND SISTERS. TO OUR QUEER AND
20 TRANS, ANGELENOS KNOWS THAT YOU SERVE ON THIS BOARD. "CARE
21 FIRST", JAILS LAST IS NOT ONLY AN INITIATIVE THAT WORKS, BUT
22 IT SHOULD BE AN ETHOS FOR ALL OF US HERE. COMPASSION GOES A
23 LONG WAY IN YOUR VOTE HERE IS YOUR COMPASSION AND ACTION.
24 9,000 COPS IN LOS ANGELES AND THEY GET 24% OF THE GENERAL --

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. LAWRENCE CARDINALAKOFF, YOUR
2 LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

3

4 **LAWRENCE CARDINALAKOFF:** HELLO ALL. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS
5 MOTION. SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH. ALL THESE FOLKS HAVE
6 ALREADY SAID SO MUCH MORE THAN I COULD REALLY SAY. I'M A
7 RESIDENT OF SD3, BY THE WAY. I JUST THINK THIS IS JUST SUCH A
8 RIDICULOUS MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE AND I THINK CALLING IT AN
9 ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR, WELL, SURE, IT MIGHT BE AN ERROR. IT'S
10 EITHER, YOU KNOW, GROSSLY NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL. I STRONGLY
11 URGE THE BOARD TO PURSUE OTHER MEASURES TO INVESTIGATE WHAT
12 HAPPENED, HOW THIS HAPPENED, AND WHY WE NOW NEED TO, YOU KNOW,
13 PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION, WE NEED TO GO AND VOTE AGAIN
14 TO PROTECT THIS MEASURE. THAT SHOULDN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN IN THE
15 FIRST PLACE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. DESIRE HOLLIDAY, YOUR LINE IS
18 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN. AGAIN.

19

20 **DESIRE HOLIDAY:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

21

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

23

24 **DESIRE HOLIDAY:** MY NAME IS DESIRE HOLIDAY WITH THE YOUTH
25 JUSTICE COALITION. I'M IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE J BECAUSE I WAS A



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1 YOUTH WHO NEEDED SUPPORT. I'VE ALWAYS HAD SOME FORMS OF
2 SUPPORT LIKE ACCESS TO A JOB. I WORK FOR WOCAC. WORK SOURCE
3 CENTER, WHICH GAVE ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE FOR MYSELF TO
4 FILL A COMP AND FEEL ACCOMPLISHED. AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS
5 SOMETHING THAT I'VE ALSO STRUGGLED WITH SOMETHING THAT THE
6 WHOLE CALIFORNIA NEEDS. EVEN THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN HOUSES
7 CAN'T AFFORD RENT AND THE COST OF LIVING BECAUSE RENT IS SKY
8 HIGH. AND SOME PEOPLE ARE PAYCHECK AWAY AND A JOB LOST AWAY
9 FROM BEING HOMELESS. I'M IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE J BECAUSE IT
10 REPRESENTS A PROMISE THAT COUNTY BUDGETING WILL BEGIN TO
11 ADDRESS LONG STANDING RACIAL AND ECONOMIC INEQUITIES AFFECTING
12 BLACK, BROWN, AND LOW-INCOME DISABLED AND SYSTEM-IMPACTED
13 COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NICOLE YEGHIAZARIAN, YOUR LINE
16 IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **NICOLE YEGHIAZARIAN:** HI, I'M NICOLE YEGHIAZARIAN. I WORK FOR
19 BRILLIANT CORNERS AND I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF BC UNITED, THE
20 UNION THERE. I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE J. WE HAVE
21 INVESTED TOO LONG IN PRISON AS A SOLUTION AND WE SHOULD BE
22 INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITIES INSTEAD. WE HAVE A PROGRAM CALLED
23 BREAKING BARRIERS WHERE WE SUPPORT JUSTICE-IMPACTED FOLKS. AND
24 WE HAVE SEEN THAT THAT INVESTMENT IN THEIR HEALTH AND IN THEIR
25 HOMES AND IN THEIR PURSUIT OF CAREERS PROVIDES DIVIDENDS TO



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1 THE COMMUNITY AND ALLOWS THEM TO BE A CORNERSTONE FOR OTHER
2 PEOPLE IN THEIR COMMUNITY TO RELY ON AS WELL AS GIVING THEM
3 SAFETY TO PURSUE THEIR OWN LIVES TO THE BEST OF THEIR OWN
4 DESIRES AND RESPECTING AND HONORING THEIR HUMANITY. WE WOULD
5 REALLY LOVE TO SEE THIS TYPE OF OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO
6 EXIST IN LOS ANGELES AS THAT IS THE WORLD OF PEOPLE. WE KNOW
7 THAT PEOPLE DESERVE THEIR RIGHT TO PURSUE THE BEST THAT THEY
8 CAN.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALL WITH PHONE NUMBERS STARTING
11 IN 7189 ENDING IN 42 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED PLEASE STATE YOUR
12 NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **IVETTE ALE-FERLITO:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISOR. IVETTE ALE-
15 FERLITO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LA DEFENSA AND REIMAGINE L.A.
16 COALITION. AND RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. I WANT TO THANK
17 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR YOUR ONGOING LEADERSHIP, AND
18 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR BEING IN SOLIDARITY WITH COMMUNITY
19 MEMBERS THAT ARE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE J. I WAS PART OF THE
20 INITIAL ORGANIZING TEAM THAT CAME UP WITH THE IDEA FOR MEASURE
21 J CAME TO YOU TO THIS BOARD TO PUT MEASURE J ON THE BALLOT AND
22 THANKS TO THE SOLIDARITY BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND THIS BOARD
23 WE GOT MEASURE J ON THE BALLOT AND WE GOT IT PACKED WITH OVER
24 2,000,000 VOTES. THIS IS A WIN FOR THE COMMUNITY, BUT IT WAS
25 ALSO A WIN FOR THIS BOARD AND IT'S FASCINATING TO ME HOW OVER



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1 THE YEARS THE BOARD HASN'T TREATED MEASURE J LIKE THE WIN THAT
2 IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN TREATED AND CONTINUES TO BE IN THE
3 COMMUNITY. WE HAVE HEARD FROM SO MANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS TODAY
4 WHO HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY SUPPORTED BY MEASURE DAY FUNDING. IT IS
5 SAVING LIVES. AND IT IS ALSO SUPPORTING THE COUNCIL --

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, YASMIN SHOUKI. YOUR LINE IS
8 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **YASMIN SHOUKA:** HI, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
11 YASMIN SHOUKA, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINED L.A.
12 COALITION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND POLICY INTERN WITH LAW
13 DEFENSE I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL'S
14 MOTION TO PROTECT MEASURE J. MORE THAN 2,100,000 LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY VOTERS APPROVE MEASURE J BECAUSE THEY WANTED OUR COUNTY
16 TO INVEST IN PEOPLE NOT JUST PUNISHMENT. MEASURE J REPRESENTS
17 A COMMITMENT TO "CARE FIRST" INVESTMENTS THAT HELP PREVENT
18 INCARCERATION BY FUNDING HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES,
19 YOUTH PROGRAMS, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED
20 RESOURCES. THESE INVESTMENTS MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER BY
21 ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OF HARM. WEAKENING OR REPEALING
22 MEASURE J WOULD IGNORE THE WILL OF THE VOTERS AND PUT THESE
23 CRITICAL INVESTMENTS AT RISK. I URGE YOU TO HONOR THE PUBLIC'S
24 VOTE, PROTECT MEASURE J, AND ENSURE "CARE FIRST" FUNDING
25 REMAINS A PRIORITY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
3 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. ELIZABETH
4 SANCHEZ, COCO KORNSPAN, VANESSA MALDRES, DR. KRIDIKAL
5 TRUTHBEY, ELEONORA ROLDAN, CAROLYN OROPES, LOLITA DE LA CRUZ,
6 FAYE OMENDUCK, AURA ROSENTO, JOSEPHINE DUPRE, JOSEPHINE
7 BICHLAR, KARINA RAYO, CLAUDIA JEREZ, AMY STUBBEFIELD, JUANA
8 LAMBERT, ISAAC GONZALEZ, AND SEAN HUFF. WE WILL CONTINUE WITH
9 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

10

11 **SEAN HUFF:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SEAN HUFF WITH
12 CALIFORNIANS FOR SAFETY AND JUSTICE. I WANT TO START BY
13 THANKING SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORATH FOR AUTHORIZING
14 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION. CSJ JUST RELEASED A REPORT BASED ON
15 STATISTICS RELEASED BY DOJ WHICH SHARES THAT CALIFORNIA
16 EXPERIENCED A 13% DROP IN CRIME RATES IN 2025, BRINGING CRIME
17 TO ITS LOWEST NUMBERS IN RECORDED HISTORY. THIS IS THE TYPE OF
18 INCREASE IN COMMUNITY SAFETY WHICH IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE
19 TYPE OF COMMUNITY SAFETY INVESTMENTS THE MORE THAN 2,000,000
20 VOTERS INTENDED WHEN WE ORIGINALLY VOTED TO PASS MEASURE J.
21 THEREFORE, I ASK ALL SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM 7 TO
22 PROTECT MEASURE J AS VOTED ON BY THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES.
23 THANK YOU.

24

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



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2 **BEBE OLIVARES:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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4 **INTEPRETER:** YES, HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BEBE OLIVARES
5 AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT MY TGI
6 COMMUNITY AND TO SUPPORT THE TRANSLATINA COALITION. AND I AM
7 CALLING TO WHOMEVER, TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, TO SUPPORT US
8 WITH COMMUNITY FUNDS. TO BE ABLE TO COVER THE NEED FOR
9 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND ALSO FOR MENTAL HEALTH. WHICH IS
10 INDISPENSABLE. BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT OUR COMMUNITY HAS
11 SUFFERED VIOLENCE AND DISCRIMINATION WHEN WE ASK FOR THESE
12 SERVICES. AND THROUGH THE ORGANIZATION TRANSLATINA COALITION.
13 THEY HELP FACILITATE THIS PROCESS. THANK YOU.

14

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

16

17 **AERO DYKES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS AERO DYKES. I'M HERE
18 REPRESENTING ANGELS OF CHANGE AND THE TRANS LATINA COALITION
19 SPEAKING ON ITEM 7. THE PEOPLE HAVE VOTED AND PROTECTING THE
20 VOICE OF THE COMMUNITY SHOULD BE THE TOP PRIORITY. WHERE WAS
21 THE TRANSPARENCY AND HOW ARE YOU GOING TO MAKE THAT RIGHT
22 CONCERNING MEASURE 7? THE COST MENTAL HEALTH AND LONG-TERM
23 RESULT OF CRISIS PREVENTION MODELS SPEAK VOLUMES IN COMPARISON
24 TO THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF THE INCARCERATION MODEL. HOW DO WE
25 LESSEN THE TRAUMATIC IMPACT OF INCARCERATION ON TGI CITIZENS?



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1 MANY TIMES, OUR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARE IN NEED OF
2 STABLE HOUSING AND PATHS TO SELF-EMPOWERMENT. SERVICES THAT
3 ALIGN WITH MEASURE J, LIKE EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND HOUSING
4 NAVIGATION, HELP ME PERSONALLY WITH KEEPING AN ESSENTIAL
5 POSITIVE MINDSET. WE NEED SO MUCH MORE OF THIS. THE REPEAL OF
6 MEASURE J THREATENS THE TRUST OF THE PEOPLE.

7

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

9

10 **RENE OCAMPO:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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12 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS RENE OCAMPO. AND I
13 RESIDE IN DISTRICT 10 OF THE CITY. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY
14 CONCERN FOR THE GROWING HOUSING CRISIS, AND THAT AFFECTS MANY
15 WORKING FAMILIES. SO THIS SITUATION AFFECTS THE ECONOMIC
16 STABILITY OF FAMILIES. AND IT LIMITS OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE
17 WHO SEEKING AN OPPORTUNE HOUSING SITUATION. I ASK YOU TO
18 IMPROVE THE HOUSING AND LIVING SITUATION FOR ALL MARGINALIZED
19 COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

20

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

22

23 **LUPITA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
24 LUPITA AND I AM HERE WITH THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER,
25 URGING YOU TO PROTECT MEASURE J FUNDING. MEASURE J IS AN



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1 INVESTMENT IN PEOPLE, NOT PUNISHMENT. IT FUNDS COMMUNITY-BASED
2 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSE OF HARM BY PROVIDING
3 HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, REENTRY
4 SERVICES, AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. AT THE YOUNG
5 WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER, THESE INVESTMENTS ALLOW US TO DO MORE
6 THAN PROVIDE SERVICES. WE HELP YOUNG WOMEN AND GENDER-
7 EXPANSIVE YOUTH RECLAIM THEIR POWER, BUILD SELF-DETERMINATION,
8 AND CREATE FUTURES ON THEIR OWN TERMS. WE WALK ALONGSIDE YOUNG
9 PEOPLE AS THEY HEAL FROM TRAUMA, ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES,
10 STRENGTHEN THEIR LEADERSHIP, AND BREAK CYCLES OF INCARCERATION
11 AND POVERTY. THE BOARD HAS COMMITTED TO DIVESTING FROM
12 INCARCERATION AND INVESTING IN COMMUNITY. PROTECT MEASURE J
13 MEANS KEEPING THE PROMISE. WHEN YOU INVEST IN ORGANIZATIONS
14 LIKE OURS, YOU INVEST IN HEALING, LEADERSHIP, AND SAFER
15 COMMUNITIES FOR ALL. I URGE YOU TO PROTECT MEASURE J FUNDING,
16 THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **SYNTHIA MEZA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SYNTHIA MEZA. I AM A CREDIBLE
21 MESSENGER WITH YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. I AM HERE TO
22 SPEAK ON ITEM 7. LET'S PROTECT MEASURE J. L.A. COUNTY
23 PROBATION HAS HAD OVER 123 YEARS OF CAUSING HARM TO THE CITY
24 OF LOS ANGELES. MEASURE J NEEDS MORE THAN JUST SIX YEARS IF WE
25 EVEN WANT TO BEGIN TO TRY TO TOUCH ALL THE HARM THAT'S BEEN



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1 CAUSED. BY YOU GUYS PROTECTING MEASURE J, YOU GUYS WILL BE
2 ENSURING THAT WE COULD KEEP ON DOING THE WORK TO GIVE THE
3 COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES TO HEALING FROM ALL THAT HARM AND FROM
4 THE COUNTY FROM ALL THE HARM THAT'S BEEN CAUSED BY L.A. COUNTY
5 PROBATION AND THE JAIL INSTITUTIONS THAT WE HAVE AND JUST ALSO
6 FREE TO 50 GIRLS AND GENDER EXPANSIVE YOUTH. THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **KASSIDI MALDONADO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KASSIDI
11 MALDONADO. I'M PART OF DISTRICT 1. ALSO, I AM AN INTERN AT
12 YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. I'VE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE SYSTEM
13 SINCE I WAS 15 YEARS OLD AND I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO
14 PLEASE FIX THE MISTAKE. IT'S TAKEN CONSIDERATION THAT THE
15 LITTLE HELP THAT WE GOT FROM YOU GUYS IS TO HELP OUR KIDS GROW
16 AND HEAL. LIKE FREEDOM CIRCLE, HELP ME AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE TO
17 SOCIALIZE AND LEAVE THE HATE BEHIND. YOUNG MOTHERS UNITED,
18 HELP ME AND THE YOUNG MOMS TO KNOW THAT WE ARE NOT ALONE AND
19 WE HAVE THE VILLAGE. PLEASE PROTECT MEASURE J AND FREE THE 50
20 GIRLS. THANK YOU.

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

23
24 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS EVELYN AND I AM
25 A FELLOW AT THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. I'M HERE TODAY



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1 TO SPEAK ON ITEM 7. WITHOUT FUNDING, OUR PROGRAMS MAY BE
2 REDUCED OR ELIMINATED, LEAVING FEWER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG
3 GIRLS AND GENDER EXPANSIVE YOUTH TO STAY ENGAGED, RECEIVE
4 MENTORSHIP, AND PREPARE FOR FUTURE SUCCESS IN SCHOOLS AND
5 THEIR COMMUNITIES. OUR YOUTH PROGRAMS PROVIDE SAFE SPACES TO
6 LEARN NEW SKILLS, BUILD SELF-CONFIDENCE, DEVELOP HEALTHY
7 RELATIONSHIPS, PARTICIPATE IN POSITIVE ACTIVITIES, AND HEAL. I
8 CURRENTLY FACILITATE A YOUNG MOTHERS PROGRAM AND IT'S AMAZING
9 FEELING TO SEE OUR YOUNG MOMS ENJOY AND GIVE THEIR FULL
10 ATTENTION TO EVERY SESSION. LET'S CONTINUE THIS GOOD WORK BY
11 PROTECTING MEASURE J. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

14
15 **ISAAC GONZALES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME'S ISAAC GONZALES AND
16 I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CREATIVE ACTS. I AM HERE URGING
17 YOU TO SUPPORT THE MOTION TO ENSHRINE MEASURE J AND THE NEW
18 COUNTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE AND THE DIFFERENCE THESE
19 INVESTMENTS MAKE ON THE GROUND. CREATIVE ACTS IS A READY TO
20 RISE AND CFCI GRANTEE AND HAS BEEN ABLE TO SIGNIFICANTLY
21 EXPAND OUR WORK INSIDE JUVENILE HALLS AND CAMPS. OUR ART
22 ATTACKS PROGRAM IS A CIVIC ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM USING THE ARTS
23 TO HELP TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH TO UNDERSTAND THEIR OWN POWER
24 AND THE TOOL OF VOTING TO TRANSFORM THEIR COMMUNITIES. WHEN WE
25 STARTED IN 2018, THE VOTING RATE WAS 35%. AFTER OUR PROGRAM,



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1 IT WAS 100%. NOT MAGIC, BUT PROOF THAT THE ARTS ARE THE MOST
2 EFFECTIVE VEHICLE FOR PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE AND RETAIN
3 INFORMATION AND INSPIRE THEM TO ACT ON IT. I SHOULD KNOW I WAS
4 ONCE IN THOSE VERY PRISONS. THANK YOU.

5

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

7

8 **VANESSA MELENDREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD. MY NAME IS VANESSA
9 MELENDREZ AND I AM WITH THE FILIPINO WORKER CENTER. AND WE
10 ALSO ARE IN SD1 AND I LIVE IN SD3. I ASK YOU TO VOTE TO
11 APPROVE ITEM 7. L.A. COUNTY IS ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE
12 COUNTIES IN AMERICA. THAT IS WHY VOTERS VOTED TO APPROVE
13 MEASURE J, A MEASURE THAT INVESTS IN RESTORATIVE JUSTICE
14 INSTEAD OF PUNITIVE JUSTICE. AS WE KNOW, THE PUNITIVE JUSTICE
15 SYSTEM DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTS BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES.
16 THAT IS WHY IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE VOTE WITH OUR VALUES AS
17 L.A. COUNTY AND VOTE YES ON ITEM 7 TO PRESERVE MEASURE J.
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE
21 SPEAKERS. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2138, ENDING IN 50, YOUR
22 LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER,
23 PLEASE BEGIN. WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER. ANTHONY ROBLES.
24 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

25



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1 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ROBLES. I'M A
2 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1 REPRESENTING DIGNITY EMPOWERED NOW AND
3 THE JUSTICE L.A. AND CARE 1ST CALIFORNIA COALITIONS. IN 2020,
4 L.A. COUNTY VOTERS PASSED MEASURE J WITH 57% OF THE VOTE, A
5 CLEAR DEMOCRATIC MANDATE FOR COMMUNITY INVESTMENT OVER
6 INCARCERATION. AND NOW BECAUSE OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR, THE
7 PUBLIC IS BEING FORCED TO FIGHT FOR IT AGAIN. AND THAT IS NOT
8 HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS. VOTERS SHOULD NOT HAVE TO RE-WIN A
9 MANDATE THEY ALREADY EARNED. SO WE NEED TO ASK, HOW DID THIS
10 HAPPEN? WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING A VOTER APPROVED
11 CHARTER PROVISIONS CARRIED FORWARD INTO THE NEW GOVERNANCE
12 STRUCTURE? WHO FAILED TO CATCH THIS? AND WHEN DID THE BOARD
13 FIND OUT ARE THERE BACK DOOR DEALINGS HAPPENING TO CREATE
14 SITUATIONS LIKE THIS A 2ND BATTLE FOR MEASURE J EXPOSE THE
15 SETTLED QUESTION TO NEW POLITICAL CONDITIONS THAT DID NOT
16 EXIST IN 2020. THE ERROR WAS THE COUNTIES IN THE COST NOT FALL
17 BACK ON THE COMMUNITY. I AGREE WITH THE PREVIOUS COMMENT THAT
18 THIS IS GROSSLY NEGLIGENT OR CRIMINALLY INTENTIONAL BOTH WHICH
19 REQUIRE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY SO THE BOARD
20 MUST ANSWER WHAT SYSTEMIC SAFEGUARDS WE PUT IN PLACE TO ENSURE
21 NO VOTER-APPROVED CHARTER PROVISION IS EVER LOST AGAIN IN A
22 STRUCTURAL TRANSITION? AND WHAT DOES ACCOUNTABILITY LOOK LIKE
23 FOR THE PARTIES?

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS



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1 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

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3 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** JAILS LAST IS A GOOD IDEA, BUT JAILS ARE
4 ESSENTIAL. AND IN ALL CASES DONE RIGHT, AS SHERIFF LEROY BACA
5 AND TANAKA CAN TELL YOU, YES, IF YOU DO THE CRIME AS DECIDED
6 BY A JURY OF YOUR PEERS YOU GET TO DO THE TIME. THE HISTORICAL
7 FAILURE TO FUND THE SYSTEM COMMENSURATE WITH THE MISSION AND
8 SEPARATE THE JAILS FROM THE SHERIFF IS A SELF-FULFILLING
9 PROPHECY AS KENNY HAHN WOULD TELL YOU. THANK YOU.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. EMILY ZAMORA, YOUR LINE IS
12 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **EMILY ZAMORA:** HI, MY NAME IS EMILY ZAMORA, RESIDENT OF
15 DISTRICT 2. I'M THE POLICY AND CAMPAIGNS COORDINATOR WITH
16 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, AND I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF HOLLY
17 J. MITCHELL'S MOTION TO PROTECT MEASURE J AS ONE OF THE
18 STRONGEST PUBLIC DEMANDS WITH OVER 2,100,000 L.A. COUNTY
19 VOTERS THAT VOTED IN SUPPORT, WHICH MADE A CLEAR MOVE TOWARDS
20 CARE AND NOT COPS. MEASURE J IS A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF OUR
21 FIGHT TOWARDS SUPPORTING OUR BELOVED COMMUNITY GETTING
22 ESSENTIAL RESOURCES INCLUDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MENTAL
23 HEALTH RESOURCES, REENTRY SUPPORT FOR THOSE COMING BACK HOME,
24 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND JOB PATHWAYS FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE
25 COMMUNITIES. ALL OF THESE SUPPORTS INVEST IN SAFER HEALTHIER



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1 LIFE OUTCOMES FOR OUR COMMUNITY THAT IS STILL RECOVERING FROM
2 A PANDEMIC, GROWING INFLATION PRICES, INCREASED POLICING OF
3 OUR BLACK AND BROWN YOUTH, EXTREME LEVELS OF HOUSING CRISIS
4 AND RAMPANT I.C.E. ATTACKS THROUGHOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

5 MEASURE J ACTS AS AN ACCOUNTABILITY MARKER, UPHOLDING A SHIFT
6 IN COUNTY BUDGETING TO DISMANTLE HISTORICAL, RACIAL, AND
7 ECONOMIC DISPARITIES AFFECTING LOW INCOME, BLACK AND BROWN
8 COMMUNITIES, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND OUR SYSTEMS
9 MOST IMPACTED.

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11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. TAHITA SHAKUR, YOUR LINE IS
12 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN. TAHITA, PLEASE BEGIN.

13
14 **TAHITA SHAKUR:** HI, CAN Y'ALL HEAR ME?

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN.

17
18 **TAHITA SHAKUR:** HOLD ON, OKAY. GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS TAHITA
19 SHAKUR WITH YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF
20 MEASURE J. THE 4TH OF THE JULY JUST PASSED AND WHILE MANY
21 PEOPLE CELEBRATE IT, I BELIEVE OUR VALUES ARE MEASURED BY HOW
22 WE INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES, NOT BY FIREWORKS. AS FANNIE LOU
23 HAMER SAID, NOBODY'S FREE UNTIL EVERYBODY'S FREE. MEASURE J
24 INVEST IN THE THINGS THAT ACTUALLY KEEP PEOPLE SAFE AND
25 HEALTHY. AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, VIOLENCE



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1 PREVENTION AND HEALING, AND YOUTH JUSTICE, REENTRY SUPPORT,
2 AND COMMUNITY-BASED DIVERSION PROGRAMS. THESE ARE LIFE-SAVING
3 INVESTMENTS THAT ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES OF INSTABILITY, HARM,
4 AND CRIMINALIZATION. THEY HELP KEEP FAMILIES HOUSED, SUPPORT
5 YOUNG PEOPLE, AND GIVE PEOPLE THE RESOURCES THEY NEED BEFORE
6 THEY END UP IN JAIL OR THE HOSPITAL OR EXPERIENCE
7 HOMELESSNESS. FOR MANY FAMILIES, THESE SERVICES ARE THE
8 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STABILITY AND CRISIS MEASURE J ALLOWS US TO
9 RESPOND TO PEOPLE WITH CARE INSTEAD OF PUNISHMENT AND THAT'S
10 WHAT I URGE YOU TO KEEP TO YOU SUPPORTING. THANK YOU.

11
12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. DEREK STEELE, YOUR LINE IS
13 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

14
15 **DEREK STEELE:** GOOD MORNING, ACTUALLY GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS
16 DEREK STEELE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING
17 INSTITUTE AND ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 GOVERNORS REFORM TASK FORCE. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY STRONG
19 SUPPORT FOR ITEM 7 AND THANK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL FOR HER
20 LEADERSHIP AND SUPERVISOR LINDSAY HORVATH FOR HER SUPPORT
21 BRINGING THIS FORWARD. NEARLY SIX YEARS, MEASURE J HAS
22 REPRESENTED THE WILL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WAS APPROVED BY
23 THE PEOPLE OF HILL BY THE COURTS AND THROUGH THE "CARE FIRST"
24 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK HAS ALREADY DIRECTED HUNDREDS
25 OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO HOUSING, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, MENTAL



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1 HEALTH, REENTRY, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, AND COMMUNITY-BASED
2 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE POSSIBLY IMPACTED HUNDREDS OF
3 THOUSANDS OF LATINOS. TODAY, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
4 FINALLY COMPLETE THAT WORK BY ENSHRINING MEASURE J AND
5 PERMANENTLY MAKING SURE THAT IT IS A PART OF THE CHARTER AT A
6 TIME WHEN FEDERAL FUNDING CUTS AND GROWING ECONOMIC
7 UNCERTAINTY IS HAPPENING THESE COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS ARE MORE
8 IMPORTANT THAN EVER AND BY TAKING THIS ACTION TODAY YOU ARE
9 PROTECTING VOTER INTENT, STRENGTHENING PUBLIC TRUST, AND
10 ENSURING THAT THIS COMMITMENT IN THE COMMUNITIES CONTINUES FOR
11 GENERATIONS TO COME.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 6264,
14 ENDING IN 93, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
15 BEGIN. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT CALLER.
16 CALLER STARTING WITH 3236, ENDING IN 99. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
17 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

18
19 **GABRIELA VASQUEZ:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **GABRIELA VASQUEZ:** CAN YOU HEAR ME? GREAT. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY
24 NAME IS GABRIELA VASQUEZ. I'M THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AT LA
25 DEFENSA AND A LIFELONG REPRESENTATIVE OF SUPERVISORIAL



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1 DISTRICT 1. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL FOR, AND
2 YOU KNOW, NOT ONLY JUST HAVING THE BRAVERY, BUT LOOKING AT
3 WHAT OUR GOVERNMENT ACTUALLY NEEDS TO CREATE FOR OUR
4 COMMUNITIES AND RECTIFYING THIS WRONG. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR
5 HORVATH FOR JOINING IN ON THIS MOTION. MY MESSAGE TODAY IS
6 THAT I WOULD LIKE UNANIMOUS SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. ANGELENOS
7 ARE TIRED OF HAVING TO BE PART OF THIS EXTRACTION ECONOMY OF
8 THIS LACK OF ABUNDANCE MENTALITY. WE WANT PEOPLE TO ACTUALLY
9 THRIVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND THIS TYPE OF MEASURE, THIS BOLD
10 TYPE OF MEASURE THAT INVESTS DOLLARS DIRECTLY INTO OUR
11 COMMUNITIES IS ESSENTIAL. WE NEED TO GO BEYOND MEASURE J IN
12 THE FUTURE. AND I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THIS BOARD CONTINUE TO
13 FIND SOLUTIONS THAT CREATE MORE POOLS OF DOLLARS FOR OUR
14 COMMUNITIES AND LESS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, LESS FOR THE WAYS IN
15 WHICH WE HARM OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES.

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 2138,
18 ENDING IN 50. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
19 BEGIN.

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21 **ALEXANDRA MORALES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALEXANDRA
22 MORALES AND I'M A RESIDENT OF C-1. ON BEHALF OF THE IMMIGRANT
23 DEFENDERS LAW CENTER, WE URGE THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE ADVANCING
24 THE PROCESS TO RESTORE MEASURE J. THE COUNTY MUST CONTINUE TO
25 HONOR THE COMMITMENT MADE THROUGH MEASURE J THAT'S FIRST



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1 ADOPTED BY THOUSANDS OF VOTERS. "CARE FIRST" INVESTMENTS
2 FUNDED BY MEASURE J REMAIN CRITICAL TO SUPPORTING VULNERABLE
3 POPULATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY, DIVESTING FROM INCARCERATION
4 AND DETENTION AND INVESTING IN THE WELL-BEING AND STABILITY OF
5 OUR COMMUNITIES. IT HAS ALSO BECOME CRITICAL IN RESPONDING TO
6 THE EVOLVING NEEDS OF HISTORICALLY MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES.
7 AS THE COUNTY LOOKS FORWARD TO RESTORING MEASURE J, WE WANT TO
8 UNDERSCORE THAT THESE COMMITMENTS WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE THE
9 FLOOR AND NOT THE FIELDING IN "CARE FIRST" INVESTMENTS. WE AND
10 THE COUNTY MUST CONTINUE TO BUILD A BUDGET EVERY YEAR THAT
11 PRIORITIZES "CARE FIRST" OVER INCARCERATION AND REFLECTS THE
12 NEEDS AND SOLUTIONS IDENTIFIED AND INFORMED BY IMPACTED
13 COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS. THANK YOU AND PLEASE
14 VOTE ON THE MOTION.

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANASTASIA KOMOROSKI, YOUR LINE
17 IS UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **ANN KOMOROWSKI:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **ANN KOMOROWSKI:** OH, SO MY NAME IS ANN KOMOROWSKI,
24 NONPARTISAN PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES 2026. OH, 2028. HOW
25 YOU DOING?



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE CONTINUE. SO I AM NONPARTISAN
3 PRESIDENT CANDIDATE FOR 2028. SO PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS ISSUED NO
4 MORE MAIL-IN BALLOTS IN L.A. COUNTY AND I SUPPORT HIS --

5

6 **DAWYN R. HARRISON:** MA'AM, THIS IS AGENDA ITEM 7. YOU CAN GET
7 BACK IN QUEUE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. NEXT CALLER STARTING WITH PHONE
10 NUMBER 626, ENDING IN 93. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE
11 YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

12

13 **VICTORIA GOMEZ:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

16

17 **VICTORIA GOMEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTORIA GOMEZ. I USE SHE, THEY
18 PRONOUNS AND I AM A LIFELONG ANGELENO AND RESIDENT OF JANICE
19 HAHN'S DISTRICT. I URGE YOU ALL TO SUPPORT ITEM 7 AND RESTORE
20 MEASURE J. I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND HOW MEASURE J HAS SUPPORTED
21 AND CHANGED THE LIVES OF YOUTH, ESPECIALLY GIRLS AND TRANS
22 YOUTH IN L.A. COUNTY. IN ADDITION, IT'S BEEN A LIFELINE FOR
23 LOCAL NONPROFITS AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE DOING THE
24 HARD WORK EVERY DAY. I KNOW YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO DO THE RIGHT
25 THING IN PASSING THIS, SO I URGE YOU AFTER THAT TO FULLY



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1 IMPLEMENT MEASURE J AND MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF THE MONEY IS
2 ACTUALLY USED AND GOING TO WHERE IT'S NEEDED, MAKING SURE THAT
3 ALL MEASURE J FUNDS ARE ACCESSIBLE TO COMMUNITY PROVIDERS,
4 TRANSPARENT TO THE PUBLIC, PROTECTED FROM BUREAUCRATIC DELAYS
5 AND FULLY FUNDED EVERY YEAR BECAUSE AS WE KNOW EVERY YEAR,
6 MEASURE J, THERE'S BEEN MILLIONS OF UNSPENT DOLLARS. SO I URGE
7 YOU TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND AFTER THE FACT, MAKE SURE
8 THERE'S FULL IMPLEMENTATION. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. GEORGE GARCIA, YOUR LINE IS
11 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **GEORGE GARCIA:** CAN YOU GUYS HEAR ME?

14

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

16

17 **GEORGE GARCIA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS GEORGE GARCIA AND I'M HERE
18 WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND I'M HERE FOR PUBLIC
19 COMMENT AND I'M ALSO HERE TO SUPPORT MEASURE J BEING RESTORED
20 WHY BECAUSE MEASURE J HELPS A LOT OF PEOPLE IN SOUTH CENTRAL
21 TO CONTINUE TO EXIST AND SURVIVE WITH THE HELP THAT THEY OFFER
22 THEY OFFER MANY RESOURCES ESPECIALLY FOR OUR YOUTH WHETHER
23 IT'S JOBS MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS HEALTH OR ANY OTHER RESOURCES
24 LIKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WE NEED TO RESTORE IT SO THAT PEOPLE
25 WON'T BE DISPLACED BECAUSE I AM EVEN AFFECTED. SO PLEASE KEEP



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1 FUNDING MEASURE J BECAUSE WITHOUT IT, I WOULD HAVE BEEN
2 JOBLESS. BECAUSE OF MEASURE J, I WAS ABLE TO GET A JOB IN HIGH
3 SCHOOL AT CHUPO'S JUSTICE CENTER AND IT GAVE ME STABILITY AND
4 HELPED A LOT. I WAS ABLE TO PAY MY RENT AND I WAS ABLE TO PAY
5 MY BILLS. THEY GAVE ME A LOT OF STABILITY AND HELP PLEASE
6 SUPPORT MEASURE J. THANK YOU.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBERS
9 STARTING IN 9514 ENDING IN 64. YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
10 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

11

12 **ISAAC BRYAN:** THANK YOU. CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLYMEMBER ISAAC BRYAN.
13 I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH FOR ITEM 7.
14 ENSHRINING MEASURE J IN THE STATE OR IN THE COUNTY CHARTER IS
15 SOMETHING THAT THE VOTERS DID BACK IN 2020 WITH OVER 2,000,000
16 VOTERS. AT A MOMENT WHEN WE HAD THE LARGEST CIVIL UNREST IN
17 THIS COUNTRY'S HISTORY, L.A. COUNTY IS THE ONLY JURISDICTION
18 IN THE COUNTRY TO ANSWER THAT CALL BY INVESTING IN
19 COMMUNITIES. THE FACT THAT THAT WORK COULD BE WIPED OUT BY A
20 CLERICAL MISTAKE IS SHAMEFUL, AND WE'VE GOT TO RECTIFY THAT,
21 AND WE'VE GOT TO RECTIFY IT FAST. THOSE INVESTMENTS IN
22 COMMUNITY HAVE CHANGED REAL LIVES, PROVIDED THE LOWEST CRIME
23 RATES WE'VE SEEN IN FIVE DECADES. WE HAVE TO PROTECT MEASURE
24 J, WE HAVE TO ENSHRINE MEASURE J, FULLY IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 7.
25 THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. KIMBERLY RENEE, YOUR LINE IS
3 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

4

5 **KIMBERLY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KIMBERLY AND I'M A MEMBER
6 OF THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND IN SUPPORT OF THE REIMAGINE
7 L.A. COALITION. I'M HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 7.
8 IN 2020 WE OVERWHELMINGLY VOTED MEASURE J IN BECAUSE WE WANTED
9 LASTING INVESTMENT IN OUR COMMUNITIES, ALTERNATIVES TO
10 INCARCERATION, AND A CARE-FIRST APPROACH. AS THE COUNTY
11 CONTINUES IMPLEMENTING MEASURE G, IT'S CRITICAL THAT THIS
12 COMMITMENT IS PROTECTED, NOT WEAKENED OR LOST BECAUSE IT
13 CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT. VOTERS HAVE ALREADY MADE THEIR CHOICE
14 AND THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY IS TO HONOR THE VOTER'S CHOICE.
15 PROTECTING MEASURE J MEANS PROJECTING THE COMMUNITIES THAT
16 RELY ON CONNECTIONS TO JOB THERAPY, DIVERSION PROGRAMS AND
17 OTHER RESOURCES AND ENSURING FUTURE COUNTY LEADERS REMAIN
18 ACCOUNTABLE. I OWED YOU TO VOTE YES ON THIS MOTION AND UPHOLD
19 THE WILL OF THE VOTERS. THANK YOU.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER
22 STARTING IN 3107, ENDING IN 68, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE
23 STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

24

25 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HELLO? IS THIS 9268? THE LINE IS OPEN?



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

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4 **LISA GORDON-KANE:** OKAY. MY NAME IS LISA GORDON-KANE, AND I
5 WORK WITH WHY I AM A WOMAN. AND I'M CALLING IN BECAUSE I FIND
6 IT ALMOST INCREDULOUS THAT WE ARE EVEN BEING POSED WITH THIS
7 QUESTION BECAUSE OF AN ERROR THAT THE PEOPLE DID NOT MAKE. IN
8 ADDITION TO THAT I'M GOING TO SAY THAT THIS IS WHY WE NEED
9 PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE TO PARTICIPATE AND BE ON THESE
10 BOARDS BECAUSE I'M SURE THEY WOULD BE MUCH MORE ARDUOUS AND
11 PURPOSEFUL IN MAKING SURE THESE KINDS OF MISTAKES DO NOT
12 OCCUR. WITH 2,100,000 PEOPLE VOTING FOR THIS, THE FACT THAT
13 PEOPLE ARE EVEN BEING ASKED TO DO THIS AGAIN, ESPECIALLY IN
14 THIS CLIMATE, I THINK YOU ALL MUST BE AWARE. THANK YOU FOR
15 YOUR TIME. AND THANK YOU, HOLLY.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER
18 STARTING IN 3233, ENDING IN 105. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
19 BEGIN. CALLER PLEASE BEGIN. OKAY, THE CALLER HAS DROPPED.
20 MADAM CHAIR THERE ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE
21 BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM 7 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE
22 WILL GO BACK TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

23

24 **KARINA ARAYO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KARINA
25 ARAYO, AN LGBTQ+ RESIDENT OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES DISTRICT 2 AND



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1 STUDENT AT EL CAMINO COLLEGE. I AM SPEAKING TODAY IN STRONG
2 AND UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF FULLY RESTORING AND IMPLEMENTING
3 MEASURE J. WHEN L.A. COUNTY VOTERS PASSED THIS MEASURE, WE
4 MADE A CLEAR MANDATE TO REINVEST AT LEAST 10% OF OUR LOCALLY
5 GENERATED UNRESTRICTED FUNDS INTO COMMUNITY CARE, YOUTH
6 DEVELOPMENT, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.
7 WE VOTED TO MOVE AWAY FROM PUNITIVE AND CONSIDERATE SYSTEMS
8 AND TOWARD HEALING AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR MOST
9 IMPACTED NEIGHBORS. THE RECENT ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT THAT
10 PUT MEASURE J IN JEOPARDY CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO DERAIL THIS
11 CRITICAL PROMISE. I URGE THIS BOARD TO USE EVERY
12 ADMINISTRATIVE TOOL, LEGISLATIVE AND LEGAL AT YOUR DISPOSAL TO
13 PERMANENTLY ENSURE AND ENFORCE THESE PROTECTIONS. PLEASE
14 CORRECT THE CHARTER, SECURE THIS FUNDING AND HONOR THE WILL OF
15 THE VOTERS. OUR COMMUNITIES CANNOT WAIT ANY LONGER FOR THESE
16 VITAL INVESTMENTS. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **ELIZABETH SANCHEZ SHEHER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS ELIZABETH
21 SANCHEZ SHEHER, A RESIDENT OF SD2 AND THE PROGRAM MANAGER AT
22 THE YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER. I'M HERE TO PROTECT MEASURE
23 J. FOR MANY, MEASURE J FUNDS ARE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
24 STABILITY AND CRISIS. AT YWFC, WE SEE THIS IN OUR HEALING
25 CIRCLES, OUR SUPPORT GROUPS, AFFIRMING CARE FOR GENDER



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1 EXPANSIVE AND TRANS YOUTH, AND THE STAFFING OF OUR INCREDIBLE
2 SELF-DETERMINED COORDINATORS AND CREDIBLE MESSENGERS WHO MAKE
3 DAILY VISITS INSIDE JUVENILE HALLS TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH OUR
4 YOUTH INSIDE CAMP KILPATRICK, AS WELL AS OUTSIDE IN OUR
5 REENTRY PROGRAMS. FROM STAFFING, CREATING CURRICULUM, AND
6 RUNNING PROGRAMS, TO BUILDING TRUST WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY,
7 MEASURE J IS IMPERATIVE TO THE PREVENTATIVE MEASURES AND
8 REDUCING RECRIMINALIZATION TO THE YOUNG WOMEN AND THE GENDER
9 EXPANSIVE YOUTH WE SERVE. PLEASE RESTORE MEASURE J. THANK YOU.

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

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13 **COCO KORNSPAN:** HI, MY NAME IS COCO KORNSPAN. I AM THE SOUTHERN
14 CALIFORNIA REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR YOUNG WOMEN'S FREEDOM CENTER
15 AND BELOVED VILLAGE. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF MEASURE J.
16 THE CFCI FUNDING THAT MEASURE J PROVIDES TO YOUNG WOMEN'S
17 FREEDOM CENTER AND BELOVED VILLAGE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO OUR
18 MISSION OF SUPPORTING GIRLS AND GENDER EXPANSIVE YOUTH IN
19 THEIR REENTRY FROM INCARCERATION AND BACK INTO THEIR
20 COMMUNITY. IT HAS ALLOWED US TO SUPPORT YOUTH AND FAMILIES
21 WITH VARIOUS SERVICES SUCH AS SAFE HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH
22 SERVICES, AND STIPENDS FOR DAILY LIVING ESSENTIALS. WITHOUT
23 THIS FUNDING AND THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS IT PROVIDES, THERE IS
24 A HIGHER RISK OF RECIDIVISM FOR THE YOUNG WOMEN AND GENDER
25 EXPANSIVE YOUTH IN OUR PROGRAMS. I URGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO



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1 SUPPORT MEASURE J TO KEEP THIS FUNDING SECURE. THANK YOU.

2

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

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5 **AIMEE STUBBLEFIELD:** HELLO, MY NAME IS AIMEE STUBBLEFIELD AND I
6 LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA AND I WORK IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO.
7 I VOTED FOR MEASURE J AND I WAS SO PROUD OF MY FELLOW
8 ANGELENOS WHEN IT OVERWHELMINGLY PASSED. I WAS AT THE SAME
9 TIME HIGHLY SKEPTICAL OF THE PERMANENT NATURE OF THE FUNDING
10 BASED ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH GOVERNMENT FUNDING. THEN
11 MEASURE G PASSED AND HERE WE ARE EXACTLY WHERE I PREDICTED WE
12 WOULD BE EVENTUALLY. AFTER HEARING THE SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS
13 AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DISCUSSION OF THIS AGENDA ITEM AND
14 YOUR POSITIVE COMMENTS ABOUT MEASURE J, I REALIZED HAPPILY
15 THAT MOST OF US DIDN'T LIKELY NEED TO BE HERE TO TALK AND
16 SUPPORT. HOWEVER, SINCE I DROVE ALL THE WAY AND PAID \$24 FOR
17 PARKING, I DECIDED TO STAY. I REPRESENT A SMALL NONPROFIT
18 ORGANIZATION THAT HAS RECEIVED CFCI FUNDING FOR THE PAST 10
19 YEARS. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO
20 HELP PEOPLE LIVE VIOLENCE FREE. PLEASE VOTE TO KEEP THIS
21 FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND FOR THE NONPROFIT --

22

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

24

25 **CARLYN OROPEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CARLYN OROPEZ. I'M A RESIDENT



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1 OF KATHRYN BARGER'S DISTRICT, ALTADENA, AND I'M WEARING MY
2 ALTADENA HAT TODAY. I'M SPEAKING THOUGH ON BEHALF OF THE LOS
3 ANGELES BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB LOCATED IN HILDA SOLIS' DISTRICT.
4 WE URGE YOU TO PROTECT MEASURE J. MEASURE J FUNDING HAS
5 TRANSFORMED WHAT'S POSSIBLE FOR US TO DO TO SUPPORT TEENS OF
6 NORTHEAST LOS ANGELES THROUGH OUR BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB. WE'VE
7 BEEN ABLE TO HELP OVER 300 TEENS EXPLORE AND DEVELOP THEIR
8 PASSIONS AND TURN THOSE PASSIONS INTO JOBS, SMALL AND MICRO
9 BUSINESSES, AND HELP KEEP THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE OUT OF THE
10 JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE ASK YOU TO PROTECT MEASURE J AND KEEP
11 SUPPORT FOR OUR ORGANIZATION AND MANY, MANY OTHER IMPORTANT
12 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH MEASURE J.
13 PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM NUMBER 7. AND WE INVITE YOU TO COME
14 VISIT US AND THE MANY ORGANIZATIONS OUT THERE DOING THE WORK.
15 COME BY ANY TIME. THANK YOU.

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

18
19 **JUANA LAMBERT:** YES, MY NAME IS JUANA LAMBERT. I AM ALSO FROM
20 THE LOS ANGELES BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
21 DIRECTOR. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 5 AND I AM REPRESENTING HERE OUR
22 CLUB WHICH IS JUST BELOW DODGER STADIUM IN DISTRICT 1 WITH
23 HILDA SOLIS. SO I'M SPEAKING TO YOU TODAY BECAUSE THIS MEASURE
24 REALLY WORKS. IT IS CRITICAL TO OUR COMMUNITIES WHERE KIDS ARE
25 IN JEOPARDY OF BECOMING GANG MEMBERS EVERY DAY FROM THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 INFLUENCE OF MULTI-GENERATIONAL FAMILIES AND THE COMMUNITY
2 THAT STILL HAS A PROBLEM AND LURES KIDS TO THE GANG AND CRIME
3 SIDE OF LIFE. BUT OUR CLUB HAS A BEAUTIFUL SPACE THAT WE'VE
4 DRAWN THROUGH THIS GRANT THAT OFFERS A MAKER SPACE AND A
5 RECORDING STUDIO AND IT IS FILLED WITH TEENS RIGHT NOW AS WE
6 SPEAK. AND THAT'S WHAT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE. --

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

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10 **DR. KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY:** YES, I SUPPORT, I MEAN, WE ALL SUPPORT
11 THIS MOTION PARTICULARLY. FOR MEASURE J, I WANT YOU TO FOCUS
12 ON THE OVERSIGHT FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION
13 DEPARTMENT. AS MEASURE J HAS BEEN A VERY IMPORTANT MEASURE,
14 THERE ARE STILL ABUSES, ESPECIALLY WITH THE LONG-TERM MENTAL
15 EFFECT, CAUSING FROM PROBATION OFFICERS. SO YOU HAVE STILL
16 SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, YOU STILL HAVE THOSE WHO ARE BEING TALKED
17 DOWN TO, ABUSED, SOME OF THESE PROBATION OFFICERS' ASSES NEED
18 TO BE WHIPPED ON A SEVERE MEASURE. BUT SINCE WE DON'T PROMOTE
19 VIOLENCE CHILDREN THAT WE DEFINITELY NEED TO HAVE SOME
20 OVERSIGHT ON TREE TRAINING PROBATION OFFICERS. SO AS YOU
21 PRESERVE MEASURE J TO CONTINUE TO PUT IN ALTERNATIVES FOR THE
22 YOUTH, IT GOES A LONG WAY. SO WHEN THEY COME OUT, THEY DON'T
23 COME OUT WORSE OFF THAN WHEN THEY WENT IN. SO LET'S NOT BE
24 HYPOCRITICAL AND CONTINUE TO BE ON THIS MOTION. SO THANK YOU
25 FOR SUPPORTING MEASURE J.



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

3

4 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, CPSS, DWC. I HAVE TO SAY,
5 OVERSIGHT IS GOOD, BUT I WANT TO SAY THIS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO
6 KNOW THAT ONCE MEASURE J GETS IN PLACE, THAT YOU MAKE AN
7 ASSESSMENT OF, IN FACT, OF THE MEASUREMENTS OF THE ITEMS THAT
8 ARE DELINEATED ON MEASURE J THAT ARE SET FOR THE RECOVERY,
9 LIKE JOB TRAINING, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, SMALL BUSINESS
10 DEVELOPMENT, ALL THOSE THINGS. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU AS A
11 BOARD MAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF IF DOES IT ACTUALLY REALLY WORK
12 AND GET THE DATA BECAUSE I KNOW THE OVERSIGHT IS GOOD BECAUSE
13 OF THE ABUSES AND EVERYTHING, BUT I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
14 THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS TO ALSO HAVE A
15 RESPONSIBILITY TO PUT FORTH A COMMITMENT TO THESE PROGRAMS FOR
16 THEM TO WORK.

17

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

20

21 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 7 IS
22 BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM.



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SUPERVISORS

1 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.

2

3 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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7 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
8 AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

9

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

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12 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
13 AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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

16

17 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE.
18 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ABSTAIN.

21

22 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER,
23 ABSTENTION. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

24

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



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2 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE.

3 THAT MEASURE PASSES WITH 4 VOTES YES, 1 VOTE WITH AN

4 EXTENSION. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 9 IMPLEMENTATION OF

5 MEASURE ARE THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES RESTORATION ACT FOR LOS

6 ANGELES COUNTY. GENERAL READ. MY APOLOGIES. WE WILL NOW MOVE

7 ON TO ITEM A1, PROCLAIM LOCAL EMERGENCY BOYLE HEIGHTS

8 COMMERCIAL BUILDING FIRE, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

9 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON

10 THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE. IF YOU ARE

11 ONLINE OR PRESS START 3 UPON A TELEPHONE. ANTHONY MARRONE,

12 FIRE CHIEF. JOHN O'BRIEN, CHIEF DEPUTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.

13 MARIO TRESIERRAS IS CHIEF HEALTH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FIRE

14 DEPARTMENT, DR. BARBARA,

15

16 **NICHOLE LEE, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC

17 HEALTH. DR. MUNTU DAVIS, MEDICAL DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF

18 PUBLIC HEALTH. MARK PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. KEVIN

19 MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND

20 SCOTT KUHN, ASSISTANT COUNTY COUNSELOR. AVAILABLE FOR

21 QUESTIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS. PLEASE STATE YOUR

22 NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY THANK YOU. COLLEAGUES I'M

25 HOLDING THIS ITEM AGAIN A ONE FOR AN UPDATE ON THE BOYLE



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1 HEIGHTS EAST L.A. FIRE EMERGENCY AND I WANT TO THANK ALL OF
2 YOU HERE FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, ESPECIALLY OUR COUNTY
3 REPRESENTATIVES IN YOUR DEPARTMENTS AND AQMD AND OTHERS THAT
4 HAVE BEEN ON TOP OF AS MUCH AS WE CAN IN THE PAST ALMOST THREE
5 WEEKS. I ESPECIALLY WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE RESIDENTS OF THE
6 UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES AREA THAT I REPRESENT IN THE
7 1ST DISTRICT. THE COMMUNITY IN THE COVERAGE AREA WAS THE
8 LARGEST IMPACTED POPULATION. WHILE WE HEAR THAT IT'S THE BOYLE
9 HEIGHTS, YES, THE FACILITY IS LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LOS
10 ANGELES, BUT THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE, RESIDENTS WHO LIVE
11 ALONGSIDE THAT FACILITY REPRESENT ABOUT 118,000 FOLKS. AND WE
12 KNOW THAT THE IMPACT WENT EVEN FAR BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIES. WE
13 HAD CALLS FROM MONTEREY PARK, FROM COMMERCE, MONTEBELLO, AND
14 OTHER NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES. ALTHOUGH THE BULK OF THE MAIN
15 FIRE HAS BEEN PUT OUT, THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, AND I HOPE
16 SOMEONE WILL VERIFY THAT. THE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES CONTINUE TO
17 DEAL WITH THE FALLOUT FROM THE INCIDENT. AND SIGNIFICANT
18 AMOUNTS OF DEBRIS, AS WE KNOW, REMAIN IN THE FACILITY THAT
19 NEEDS TO BE REMOVED, CLEARED, INCLUDING THE ROTTING MEAT AND
20 OTHER FOOD BYPRODUCTS. AND THIS PRESENTS BOTH A NUISANCE AND A
21 POTENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH RISK TO SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, AND
22 MUST BE DISPOSED OF QUICKLY, BUT SAFELY AND APPROPRIATELY.
23 HOWEVER, AS YOU ALL MAY HAVE SEEN IN THE MEDIA REPORTS OVER
24 THE WEEKEND, THERE HAS BEEN A TROUBLING RISE IN FINGER
25 POINTING AMONG INVOLVED PARTIES, INCLUDING LINEAGE AND THEIR



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1 VARIOUS CONTRACTORS. THIS HAS SLOWED DOWN THE CLEANUP, BUT I
2 UNDERSTAND JUST NOW THAT THEY HAVE RESUMED CLEANUP, AND MAYBE
3 SOMEONE CAN CLARIFY THAT FOR US AS WELL. AND THE RECOVERY
4 PROCESS AND COMMUNITIES, HOWEVER, I BELIEVE, ARE STILL
5 SUFFERING. IN FACT, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY LEADERS AND
6 BUSINESSES, ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM ACROSS BOYLE HEIGHTS, EAST
7 L.A., SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND THE SOUTHEAST AREA SENT A
8 COMMUNITY PROTECTION CHECKLIST TO ALL OF US, AS WELL AS THE
9 CITY AND THE STATE ON ACTIONS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE
10 TAKEN TO SAFEGUARD COMMUNITY HEALTH. AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE
11 SHARED, OUR CEO OR OEM HAS SHARED THAT WITH ALL OF OUR
12 DEPARTMENTS. WE AS A COUNTY, IN MY BELIEF, SHOULD CONTINUE TO
13 STAND WITH AND SUPPORT THE IMPACTED RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY
14 THOSE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES THAT ARE LOOKING
15 DIRECTLY TO US FOR ASSISTANCE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU, THE
16 PANEL, AND THE DEPARTMENTS FOR JOINING US AGAIN. BEING HERE
17 TODAY IS VERY IMPORTANT, AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK A FEW
18 QUESTIONS FOR A STATUS UPDATE AND TO UPLIFT THOSE COMMUNITY
19 CONCERNS. SO I WANT TO BEGIN BY ASKING KEVIN MCGOWAN, OUR
20 DIRECTOR FOR OEM, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, IF HE CAN
21 PROVIDE US WITH THE LATEST STATUS UPDATE FOR THE RESPONSE,
22 INCLUDING THE CLEANUP AND DEBRIS REMOVAL.

23
24 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR. FOR THE RECORD,
25 KEVIN MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.



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1 A QUICK UPDATE, AND THEN MY PARTNERS AND COLLEAGUES UP HERE
2 FROM THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS CAN PROVIDE SOME SPECIFICS. THE
3 UPDATE WE WERE PROVIDED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AND INTO THE
4 EVENING FROM L.A. CITY WAS THAT THE TRANSITION OF THE FACILITY
5 HAS BEEN FULLY MOVED TO LINEAGE SO UP UNTIL LAST NIGHT L.A.
6 CITY FIRE AND THE BROADER CITY WERE STILL HEAVILY ENGAGED AND
7 IN A PARTNERSHIP WITH CONTROLLING THE FACILITY BECAUSE OF THE
8 FIRE AND THE ONGOING SMOLDERING, AND THEN THAT HAS NOW
9 COMPLETELY TRANSITIONED OVER TO THE FACILITY. IN ADDITION TO
10 THAT, LINEAGE'S SUBCONTRACTOR THAT IS FOCUSED ON REMEDIATION
11 AND DEBRIS REMOVAL AND STABILIZING THE FACILITY HAS BROUGHT IN
12 AN INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM TO GO THROUGH A STRUCTURED
13 RESPONSE AND RECOVERY EFFORT IN RELATIONSHIP TO THE DEBRIS
14 REMOVAL OPERATIONS AND HOST DAILY WORKSHOPS WITH ALL OF THE
15 DIFFERENT GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES THAT HAVE EITHER A REGULATORY
16 OR AN OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY TO SUPPORT THAT EFFORT, AND
17 THAT'S ONGOING WORK. IT WAS REPORTED THAT THERE WAS A PERIOD
18 OF A PAUSE, BUT THE LATEST UPDATE WE GOT THIS MORNING WAS THAT
19 THERE WERE OPERATIONS RELATED TO DEBRIS REMOVAL THAT WERE
20 STARTING TO GO BACK INTO OPERATIONS, WHICH WAS WELCOMING NEWS.
21 AND THAT THERE'S A BALANCE WITH THE INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM
22 AND THEN THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO MAKE SURE, AS YOU SAID
23 IT, SUPERVISOR, THAT IT'S DONE EXPEDITIOUSLY, BUT IN A SAFE
24 AND RESPONSIBLE MANNER, CONSISTENT WITH THE REGULATIONS AND
25 THE PLANS THAT THEY'RE MAKING ARE PRE-APPROVED BY THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 DIFFERENT REGULATORY GROUPS.

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3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WHO ARE SOME OF THOSE REGULATORY
4 GROUPS, JUST SO THE PUBLIC IS AWARE?

5

6 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, OUR DEPARTMENT
7 OF PUBLIC HEALTH, PLAY CRITICAL ROLES IN REVIEWING THEIR
8 PLANS. OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT IS ALSO ENGAGED AS THE PRIMARY
9 GROUP, AND THEY CAN EXPRESS THEIR SPECIFICS AND WHAT ROLES
10 THEY'RE PLAYING.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WANTED TO NOTE FOR THE PUBLIC
13 THAT WE HAVE STOOD UP WITH YOUR HELP, OEM, AND WITH THE
14 ASSISTANCE OF MANY VOLUNTEERS AND DISASTER WORKERS, THE
15 DISTRIBUTION SINCE IT STARTED APPROXIMATELY OVER 9,000
16 PURIFIERS, INCLUDING BOXES OF FOOD, CASES OF WATER, AND 96
17 MASKS, AND ALSO HAVING FEDERALLY QUALIFIED CLINICS, INCLUDING
18 OUR OWN DHS MOBILE UNIT, HEALTH MOBILE UNIT SITUATED AT THE
19 CIVIC CENTER. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE COME
20 THROUGH, BUT I KNOW THAT MANY WERE VISITED BY OUR NURSES AND
21 OUR PHYSICIANS AND FOLKS THAT WERE THERE. NOW KEEP IN MIND,
22 MOST OF THOSE CLINICS ARE NOT RECEIVING ANY COMPENSATION, AND
23 MANY HAVE PUT IN LONG HOURS, AND THE LIST KIND OF GOES ON. BUT
24 I ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT TO THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS TO OUR
25 DEPARTMENTS. AND I WANT TO PARTICULARLY THANK THE ASSISTANCE



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1 OF THE DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS BECAUSE THEY ALSO HELPED US
2 DISTRIBUTE THINGS, BUT THEY WERE MORE IMPORTANTLY ALSO
3 REPRESENTING DEPARTMENTS INSIDE THE LARGEST RECOVERY CENTER
4 WHICH IS AT EAST L.A. LIBRARY AND JOINING US ALSO IN RECENT
5 DAYS HAS BEEN AQMD WHICH I AM VERY HAPPY TO SEE SINCE WE LAST
6 SAW DIRECTOR WAYNE NOSTRI HERE AT OUR LAST MEETING. BUT THE
7 DISASTER WORKERS, WE HAD ABOUT 74 OF THEM THAT WERE DEPLOYED
8 AND ASSISTED IN HELPING OUR COMMUNITY RECOVER, AND I HOPE THAT
9 THEY CONTINUE TO BE ACCESSIBLE, BECAUSE MY UNDERSTANDING IS
10 THAT WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE COMING TO AN END BY WEDNESDAY, AND
11 THAT TO ME IS KIND OF AN ARTIFICIAL DATE. MAYBE YOU COULD TALK
12 A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT, KEVIN.

13
14 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** YES, THANKS, SUPERVISOR. 1, JUST A BIG SHOUT
15 OUT TO YOUR TEAM HAS BEEN REALLY AT THE FOREFRONT AT THE SITE
16 AND DOING A GREAT JOB AT SUPPORTING AND LEADING THE EFFORTS
17 THERE ALONG WITH THE DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS WHO GET, THIS IS
18 SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY HAS REALLY MATURED SINCE THE COVID
19 PERIOD OF TIME WHERE WE'VE UTILIZED DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS
20 FROM A VARIETY OF DEPARTMENTS TO GO OUT AND SUPPORT OUR
21 COMMUNITIES. AND OUR CONTINUED WORK WITH YOUR STAFF IS TO
22 DETERMINE WHAT WILL BE LIKE THE DURATION OF THAT TIME. SO I
23 KNOW INITIALLY WEDNESDAY, I THINK WE'RE GOING FURTHER THAN
24 WEDNESDAY AND WE'RE JUST WORKING OUT THE DETAILS OF WHAT THAT
25 EXACT TIMELINE IS GOING TO BE.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD. I'M NOT CLEAR, BUT I HOPE TO
3 GET THAT INFORMATION BECAUSE WE OBVIOUSLY..

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5 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** WE'LL REPORT BACK TO YOU WITH A SPECIFIC DATE.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PARDON ME? YOU SAID --

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9 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** WE'LL BE ABLE TO FIND A SPECIFIC DATE WITH YOUR
10 TEAM.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, GOOD. AND I DO WANT TO THANK MY
13 TEAM BECAUSE THEY'VE JUST BEEN INVOLVED AROUND THE CLOCK 24
14 HOURS WEEKENDS AND WHAT HAVE YOU AND HAVE REALLY WORKED ALSO
15 WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE DOING THE VOLUNTEER
16 WORK WHETHER IT WAS EVEN YOUTH AT WORK PARK STUDENTS I WANT TO
17 GIVE THEM A SHOUT OUT, WHO WERE AT THE BELVEDERE SIDE AND
18 OTHER SIDES HELPING US WITH DISTRIBUTION AND HELPING TO SET UP
19 AND TALKING TO PEOPLE AS THEY WERE COMING IN AND DIRECTING
20 THEM. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE VARIOUS CBOS AND ALSO THE
21 CHURCH, LA VICTORIA, THAT OPENED UP THEIR CHURCH RIGHT, WHICH
22 IS ADJACENT, VERY CLOSE TO THIS FACILITY. AND MOST OF THE
23 IMPACTED FAMILIES THAT WE SAW THERE, AND YOU WERE THERE THAT
24 DAY AS WELL AS OUR CEO, COULD SEE THE TYPE OF FOLKS THAT WERE
25 IMPACTED THAT WERE COMING IN AND EXPRESSING THEIR CONCERNS



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1 ABOUT EXPOSURE TO SMOKE AND ISSUES WITH RESPIRATORY AILMENTS
2 THAT THEY WERE HAVING OR EXPERIENCING. AND I THINK THAT'S WHEN
3 WE KNEW FURTHER THAT WE HAD TO DO MORE ON A LARGER SCALE. AND
4 WE OPENED UP THEN, WE ENDED UP HAVING ABOUT THREE DIFFERENT
5 SITES, BUT THE LARGEST ONE AT THE EAST L.A. CIVIC CENTER AND
6 IT STILL REMAINS.

7
8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO I WANT TO CONTINUE THAT. AND I
9 WANT ASSURANCES TOO FROM AQMD BECAUSE I REALLY APPRECIATE WHEN
10 WAYNE NASTERY WAS HERE THAT HE TALKED ABOUT NOT JUST EXAMINING
11 THE LEVELS OF SMOKE AND PARTICULATE MATTER BUT OTHER THINGS
12 THAT CAN ALSO BE FOUND IN OUR ATMOSPHERE THAT MIGHT OR IN
13 HOUSEHOLDS OR BUSINESSES AND HOW TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO
14 FAMILIES AND OWNERS THAT MAYBE HAVE HAD THEIR HOMES OR THEIR
15 BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY SMOKE AND IT'S STILL THERE. SO COULD
16 YOU BRIEFLY GO OVER THAT? AND I DO WANT TO SAY THIS PUBLICLY.
17 AQMD AND ALSO ONE OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS THAT SITS ON AQMD WERE
18 AT A MEETING LAST WEEK, I THINK IT WAS HELD LAST FRIDAY, AND
19 THERE WAS A COMMITTEE MEETING AND A VOTE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE
20 TO IMPACTED RESIDENTS FOR THIS PARTICULAR PURPOSE. AND I
21 BELIEVE THERE WAS AN ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000 IS WHAT I WAS
22 TOLD. AND WE DID SEND A LETTER TO AFFIRM THAT AND TO URGE
23 MEMBERS OF THAT AQMD BOARD TO VOTE FOR THAT. AND AS A RESULT,
24 WE'RE NOW GOING TO BE RECEIVING ABOUT ANYWHERE FROM 4,000 TO
25 5,000 PURIFIERS. AND THEY CAME. THEY CAME IMMEDIATELY. AND YOU



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1 ALSO HAD STAFF THERE. I VISITED, I SAW THEM YESTERDAY, AND
2 THEY WERE THERE DOING INTAKE, AND MORE THAN JUST INTAKE. THEY
3 WERE ACTUALLY TALKING TO PEOPLE, AND I WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH
4 HOW ORGANIZED THEY WERE, BUT ALSO WANTING TO KNOW HOW LONG WE
5 COULD COUNT ON THEM AND THAT SUPPORT. SO CAN YOU PLEASE GO
6 OVER SOME OF THE THINGS THAT YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

7

8 **DR. JASON LOW:** ABSOLUTELY. SO FOR THE RECORD, JASON LOW,
9 DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE MONITORING ANALYSIS DIVISION
10 AT SOUTH COAST AQMD. FIRST, I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS
11 LEASE AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR SUPPORTING THE AIR
12 FILTRATION INITIATIVE. AS YOU MENTIONED YESTERDAY, THE
13 INITIATIVE BEGAN TO DISTRIBUTE OUT THE AIR FILTERS OUT TO THE
14 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. WE WERE ABLE TO DISTRIBUTE OVER 240 AIR
15 FILTERS TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND REPORTS AT TODAY'S
16 DISTRIBUTION AT THE EAST LOS ANGELES LIBRARY IS INDICATING
17 THAT THE DEMAND IS STILL VERY HIGH. RIGHT NOW WE HAVE A PLAN
18 TO DISTRIBUTE THROUGH TOMORROW AT THAT LOCATION AND WE'LL
19 CONTINUE TO DO OUTREACH IN TERMS OF HOW TO DISTRIBUTE THE
20 OTHER AIR FILTRATION DEVICES BUT WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL
21 THAT SUPPORT TO HELP THE INDOOR SIDE. BUT AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE
22 MORE SPECIALTY, AT LEAST ON THE MONITORING ANALYSIS SIDE OF
23 THINGS, FOR OUTDOOR AIR. SO I THINK ONE OF THE INDICATORS THAT
24 WE LOOK AT IS THAT'S WITHIN OUR PURVIEW IS THE NUMBER OF
25 COMPLAINTS. SO WE HAVE OUR INSPECTORS RESPONDING TO EACH OF



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1 THE DIFFERENT COMPLAINTS TO OUR 1-800-CUT-SMOG NUMBER, AND
2 THEY DO REPLY BACK TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY CONTACT EACH
3 INDIVIDUAL WHO CALLS THAT LINE. ON THE SCIENCE FRONT FOR AIR
4 MONITORING, WE ARE TAKING A PRIMARY ROLE FOR OVERSIGHT OVER
5 THE CONTRACTOR DATA THAT HAS BEEN HIRED BY LINEAGE. SO THEY
6 ARE PRODUCING DATA ON A DAILY BASIS. WE'VE WORKED WITH THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND IN COLLABORATION TO HAVE MORE
8 EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION OF THAT DATA. ONE OF THE BARRIERS TO
9 ACCESS IS THAT THIS IS A LOT OF HIGHLY TECHNICAL INFORMATION
10 WITH A LOT OF DIFFERENT POLLUTANTS. SO TRYING TO GET THAT
11 INFORMATION SO IT'S EASY TO UNDERSTAND AND APPLICABLE TO THE
12 PUBLIC HAS BEEN VERY HIGH ON OUR LIST AND WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
13 DO THAT THIS PAST WEEK WITH THE LADPH. AND THEN ALSO THERE'S A
14 LOT OF CONCERN ABOUT WELL YOU KNOW THESE ARE CONTRACTOR
15 MEASUREMENTS HOW MUCH TRUST CAN WE HAVE IN THEM SO WE
16 DEFINITELY HEAR THAT WE DEFINITELY KNOW THAT AS PART OF OUR
17 DUE DILIGENCE THAT WE DO PROVIDE OUR OWN INDEPENDENT
18 ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMUNITY ERROR, AS WELL AS OVERSIGHT OVER
19 THE CONTRACTOR DATA. SO WE REVIEW THE DATA, THE DATA PROVIDED
20 THE CONTRACTOR EVERY SINGLE DAY TO SEE IF THERE'S ANYTHING
21 THAT WE WOULD CONSIDER SUSPICIOUS OR OUT OF LINE WITH WHAT
22 WE'RE OBSERVING. AND THEN ALSO, LAST WEEK WE DID MOBILE
23 MEASUREMENTS. SO WE DROVE A MOBILE LABORATORY STREET BY STREET
24 THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID DURING THE
25 ACTIVE FIRE INCIDENT. BUT THIS TIME WE WERE LOOKING FOR THE



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1 MAIN COMPONENTS OF CONCERN, WHICH WERE THE VOLATILE ORGANIC
2 COMPOUNDS. DURING THAT ACTIVE FIRE WE WERE LOOKING AT METALS,
3 WE WERE LOOKING AT OTHER THINGS THAT FILLING IN THE GAPS FOR
4 THE INCIDENT COMMAND. BUT THIS TIME, KNOWING THAT THE CONCERN
5 IS THESE VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS, SOME OF THEM ARE AIR
6 TOXICS, SOME OF THEM PRODUCE ODORS. SO THAT'S WHAT THIS MOBILE
7 PLATFORM WAS LOOKING AT ON A STREET BY STREET BASIS TO MAKE
8 SURE OUR RESULTS WERE CONSISTENT WITH WHAT THE CONTRACTOR HAS
9 BEEN DOING.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND DID YOU FIND ANYTHING?

12

13 **DR. JASON LOW:** SO WHAT WE FOUND WAS THAT FOR AIR TOXICS, WHAT
14 WE FOUND WAS VERY TYPICAL OF WHAT WE'VE DONE IN OTHER OF OUR
15 AIR MONITORING EFFORTS IN THIS COMMUNITY. WE DO OTHER AIR
16 MONITORING IN THE EAST L.A. BOYLE HEIGHTS AREA UNDER AB 617.
17 SO WE COMPARED THOSE RESULTS TO OUR EARLIER EFFORTS BEFORE THE
18 FIRE, BEFORE ALL THIS REMEDIATION EFFORT. SO WHAT WE FOUND IS,
19 AT LEAST FOR AIR TOXICS, THEY'RE PRETTY SIMILAR TO WHAT WE
20 OBSERVE. ANY OF THE COMPONENTS THAT WE SAW THAT WERE SLIGHTLY
21 ELEVATED WERE DUE TO VEHICULAR EMISSIONS. AND THEN ALSO WHEN
22 WE LOOKED AT THE ODORS. SO WHEN WE DID LOOK AT SOME ODOR
23 COMPOUNDS, AND WE CAN ONLY LOOK AT THE ODOR COMPOUNDS
24 QUALITATIVELY. SO HOW MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE IS THAT FROM WHAT
25 WE NORMALLY SEE? SO WE DID SEE UP TO 25 TIMES HIGHER OF SOME



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1 OF THESE ODOR COMPOUNDS. ONE OF THEM WAS ON THE MONITOR HERE,
2 METHAMMOCAPTIN, AND THAT'S A SULFUR-CONTAINING COMPOUND, AND
3 THAT'S A COMPOUND THAT WE, AS HUMAN BEINGS, CAN SMELL VERY
4 WELL AT VERY LOW CONCENTRATIONS. SO WE DID SEE THE ELEVATED
5 LEVELS OF THESE ODOR COMPOUNDS. AND OF COURSE, WE WORKED TO
6 KIND OF MAKE SURE THAT, HEY, WITH PUBLIC HEALTH, OUR ODOR
7 COMPOUNDS CONSIDERED WHAT KIND OF IMPACTS THEY POTENTIALLY
8 COULD HAVE, BUT AT LEAST OVERALL THE MEASUREMENTS AND LEVELS
9 DO INDICATE WHAT WE EXPECT AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH WHAT THE
10 CONTRACTOR MEASUREMENTS WERE AT THE TIME.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND SO THERE'S NO REASON TO BE
13 ALARMED, OR IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

14
15 **DR. JASON LOW:** WELL, I MEAN, I THINK THERE IS AN IMPACT TO
16 ODORS, RIGHT? I MEAN, AS FAR AS FROM AN AIR TOXICS PERSPECTIVE
17 AND AIR POLLUTANTS THAT DIRECTLY AFFECT THE HEALTH AND THAT
18 HAVE KNOWN HEALTH STANDARDS FOR DIRECT INHALATION, FOR THOSE
19 POLLUTANTS ARE PRETTY TYPICAL. HOWEVER, THERE IS AN ODOR
20 COMPONENT. WE'VE HEARD DR. DAVIS LAST WEEK INDICATE THAT THERE
21 ARE POTENTIAL EFFECTS AND RESPONSES THAT HUMANS HAVE IN
22 RESPONSE TO ODORS, AND MAYBE DR. FERRER CAN EXPAND UPON THAT.
23 BUT THERE IS THE PRESENCE OF THOSE COMPOUNDS THAT WE DID FIND
24 IN OUR STUDIES.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARE YOU PLANNING ON CONTINUING TO
2 HAVE YOUR MOBILE UNITS IN THE AREA FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME?

3
4 **DR. JASON LOW:** SO WHAT I CAN SAY IS THAT WE'RE COMMITTING TO
5 MEASUREMENTS AND A LOT OF US VERIFY WHAT THE CONTRACTOR IS
6 SEEING. SO WHETHER IT BE IN MOBILE FORM OR WHAT MAY CONSIDER
7 OTHER TYPES OF MORE KIND OF LONGER-TERM TYPE OF ITEMS ARE
8 THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING TO AS THE CONTRACTOR FINALIZES THEIR
9 COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN.

10
11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND YOU HAVE SOME SAY SO IN THAT
12 PLAN.

13
14 **DR. JASON LOW:** YES, YES, WE ABSOLUTELY DO.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT ISN'T JUST THE CONTRACTOR HAVING,
17 YOU KNOW, THE ABILITY TO DECIDE WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO PAY FOR,
18 WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS NECESSARY. WE GIVE OUR- AND IT'S BASED ON
19 WHAT? SCIENCE?

20
21 **DR. JASON LOW:** YES, AND BASICALLY OUR PRACTICES FOR DOING AIR
22 MONITORING WITH OUR EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE FOR DOING COMMUNITY
23 AIR MONITORING, FOR DOING INCIDENT MONITORING. WE HAVE A VAST
24 EXPERIENCE IN TERMS OF DOING, YOU KNOW, WHAT TYPES OF
25 METHODOLOGIES, WHAT TYPES OF COVERAGE IN TERMS OF LIKE AROUND



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1 THE FENCE LINE OR IN THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR
2 KIND OF THIS TYPE OF EFFORT AND CONCERN WITH THE COMMUNITY.

3
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO YOU DO ANY PROPERTY INSPECTIONS OR
5 ANYTHING LIKE THAT OR IS THAT'S NOT IN YOUR PURVIEW?

6
7 **DR. JASON LOW:** THE ONLY THING I CAN SAY IS THAT IF IT INVOLVES
8 ASBESTOS THAT'S SOMETHING THAT OUR COMPLIANCE DIVISION WOULD
9 BE ABLE TO TALK TO. BUT THAT, AS FAR AS MY KNOWLEDGE, WOULD BE
10 OUR JURISDICTION WITH THAT PART.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO DR. FERRER, MAYBE THAT'S A
13 GOOD SEGUE TO TALK TO US ABOUT WHAT THESE THE EXPOSURE IS AND
14 THE BIG QUESTION IS WHY WE'RE NOW WHY -WERE WE NOT PUTTING
15 FORWARD AN EVACUATION ORDER AND WHOSE AUTHORITY IS THAT AND IF
16 YOU COULD RUN THROUGH THAT PROTOCOL SO THE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDS.

17
18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND I WANTED TO
19 START, SUPERVISOR, BY ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR EXEMPLAR LEADERSHIP
20 AND HOW YOU'VE BROUGHT TOGETHER THE COUNTY FAMILY SO QUICKLY.
21 AND I'M GRATEFUL TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR ALL YOU'RE DOING TO
22 SUPPORT THE RESIDENTS THAT ARE AFFECTED BY THIS DEVASTATING
23 EVENT. BECAUSE IT IS A DEVASTATING EVENT. I KNOW THAT WE'RE
24 SITTING HERE WITH THE SCIENCE, AND WE'RE GOING TO TELL YOU
25 THAT THE NUMBERS, PARTICULARLY ON AIR TOXICS, ARE NOT



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1 ALARMING. BUT SMOKE IS DANGEROUS. EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT SMOKE
2 IS DANGEROUS. FOR SOME HOUSEHOLDS THAT WERE CLOSE TO WHERE THE
3 FIRE WAS, THEY'VE HAD SMOKE DAMAGE IN THEIR HOUSE THAT NEEDS
4 TO BE REMEDIATED. AND THERE'S A CONTINUING PROBLEM OBVIOUSLY
5 ASSOCIATED WITH WHAT'S CALLED NUISANCE ODORS BUT ARE ODORS
6 THAT ACTUALLY CAN IMPACT THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF
7 RESIDENTS IN THE NEARBY AREAS. AND, YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD
8 RESIDENTS COMPLAINING OF NAUSEOUSNESS, OF NOSEBLEEDS, OF
9 IRRITATION IN THEIR THROAT AND THEIR EYES. AND THIS IS
10 COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH WHAT'S CALLED NUISANCE ODORS. AND THE
11 BEST WAY TO ADDRESS THESE, WHAT ARE SHORT-TERM IMPACTS OF
12 NUISANCE ODORS, IS TO OBVIOUSLY AVOID BEING IN AN AREA WHERE
13 THOSE ODORS ARE GOING TO IMPACT YOUR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. IN
14 SOME CASES, YOU CAN STAY IN A HOME. YOU CAN USE AIR MONITORS,
15 I MEAN AIR FILTERS THAT ACTUALLY HAVE ACTIVATED CHARCOAL IN
16 THEM THAT WILL HELP FILTER OUT THOSE ODORS. BUT FOR SOME
17 RESIDENTS, THE SOLUTION IS REALLY GOING TO BE A RELOCATION, A
18 TEMPORARY RELOCATION. YOU KNOW THAT WE'VE ISSUED A DIRECTIVE
19 TO LINEAGE. WE ISSUED THAT BACK IN JUNE, I THINK IT WAS JUNE
20 29TH, DIRECTING THEM TO IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY MITIGATION PLAN,
21 WHICH INCLUDES TAKING STEPS TO MITIGATE THE IMPACT OF BOTH
22 SMOKE-ASSOCIATED DAMAGE AND NUISANCE ODORS, INCLUDING COMING
23 UP WITH A PLAN FOR MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE WHO NEED TO BE
24 RELOCATED CAN BE RELOCATED. LINEAGE WAS ASKED TO GIVE US THEIR
25 PRELIMINARY DOCUMENTS STARTING YESTERDAY, AND THEIR FINAL PLAN



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1 IS DUE ON THE 16TH. AND OUR TEAM, SIMILAR TO AQMD, IS
2 REVIEWING THOSE PLANS TO MAKE SURE THAT, AND WHEN I SAY
3 REVIEWING, WE'RE GIVING THEM FEEDBACK AND SAYING, YOU SHOULD
4 INCLUDE THIS, YOU NEED TO INCLUDE THIS, WE'RE LOOKING FOR
5 THIS, SO THAT THE PLANS ARE COMPLETE AND THEN FULLY
6 IMPLEMENTED. I THINK THE GOAL HERE IS FOR THE RESPONSIBLE
7 PARTY TO TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MITIGATING THE
8 CONDITIONS THAT ARE AFFECTING, IN VERY DETRIMENTAL WAYS, THE
9 RESIDENTS. TODAY EITHER TODAY OR TOMORROW, WE'LL ALSO BE
10 ISSUING LOCAL HEALTH ADVISORY TO ALL OF OUR PROVIDERS. WE'VE
11 DONE THIS BEFORE, REMINDING THEM OF THE IMPACT, BOTH OF
12 ILLNESSES RELATED TO EXPOSURE TO SMOKE AND ILLNESSES RELATED
13 TO NUISANCE ODORS. WE HAVE A COURSE, A SHORT ONLINE COURSE
14 THAT THEY CAN TAKE TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH MEDICAL AND
15 CLINICAL PRACTICE ASSOCIATED WITH DIAGNOSING AND RESPONDING TO
16 THOSE COMPLAINTS. BUT AGAIN, WE'RE SENDING SOMETHING OUT TO
17 ALL PROVIDERS, REMINDING THEM THAT PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH THE
18 EVENT IN BOYLE HEIGHTS IN EAST L.A., BUT ALSO PEOPLE ARE
19 COMPLAINING ABOUT SMOKE EXPOSURE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FIREWORKS
20 AND WE'RE IN FIRE SEASON. SO WE WANT TO DO A GOOD REMINDER TO
21 PROVIDERS TO BE ALERT TO THIS. IN TERMS OF YOUR QUESTION ON,
22 YOU KNOW, HOW ARE DECISIONS MADE TO EVACUATE, I WANT TO NOTE
23 THAT ALL OF US WHO ARE PRETTY MUCH SITTING HERE HAVE MEMBERS
24 THAT ARE IN WHAT'S CALLED INCIDENT COMMAND WHENEVER THERE IS A
25 DANGEROUS INCIDENT THAT HAPPENS IN THE COMMUNITIES. AND IN



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1 INCIDENT COMMAND, WE SHARE INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE FROM EACH
2 OF OUR AREAS, AND THAT ALLOWS THE INCIDENT COMMANDER TO GO
3 AHEAD AND MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT WHAT ARE THE SAFETY PROTOCOLS
4 THAT NEED TO BE PUT IN PLACE? SO THAT DID HAPPEN WITH THIS
5 EVENT. EVACUATION ORDERS NEED TO BE ISSUED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.
6 THAT'S REALLY HOW IT HAPPENS. BUT IT HAPPENS WHEN EVERYBODY IS
7 WORKING TOGETHER AND SHARING INFORMATION TO MAKE SURE THAT
8 THERE ARE NOT RISKS TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY. AND I KNOW THAT
9 KEVIN HAS A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH THIS ALSO, SO I DON'T KNOW
10 IF HE WANTS TO ADD TO.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST ASK, WHO IS THE FINAL
13 DECISION MAKER? IS IT A GROUP PROCESS OR IS THERE ONE
14 INDIVIDUAL? YOU'RE SAYING ONE COMMANDER, SO WHO IS THAT?

15
16 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** WELL, IN THIS INCIDENT, INCIDENT COMMAND WAS
17 COMPRISED OF L.A. CITY FIRE AND LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT,
18 AND THEY WERE THE ONES WHO IN THAT STRUCTURE, L.A. COUNTY HAD
19 DIFFERENT REPRESENTATION FROM PUBLIC HEALTH, COUNTY FIRE, AN
20 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND
21 AS DIFFERENT SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS WERE WEIGHING IN AND
22 EVALUATING THE INFORMATION THAT WAS BEING PROVIDED BY
23 DIFFERENT AIR MONITORING AND SENSORS. DECISIONS WERE MADE BY
24 THOSE INCIDENT COMMANDERS, WHICH IN THIS CASE AGAIN WAS L.A.
25 CITY FIRE AND L.A. POLICE DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT THEM.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I THINK THERE'S SOME CONFUSION
3 OUT IN THE PUBLIC BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE MAY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE
4 THE SOLE AUTHORITY, BUT BECAUSE THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED IN THE
5 BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, BOYLE HEIGHTS IS IN THE
6 CITY, THAT THAT'S THE LEAD AGENCY OR THE LEAD RELIEF, WE WANT
7 TO USE THAT WORD OR LEADERSHIP. IS THAT CORRECT?

8

9 **KEVIN MCGOWAN:** IT'S CORRECT THAT AS IT RELATED TO THE
10 STRUCTURE FIRE AND THEN THE INCIDENT ITSELF L.A. CITY FIRE AND
11 LAPD WERE IN UNIFIED COMMAND AND INCIDENT COMMAND AND THE
12 COUNTY WAS IN ASSISTING AGENCY.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. RIGHT. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT
15 WE ALSO HAD OUR FIRE TEAMS THERE, FIRE DEPARTMENT, CHIEF
16 MARRONE AND I KNOW WE HAD THE HAZMAT TEAM OUT THERE BECAUSE I
17 ACTUALLY SAW THEM IN ACTION SHOWING ME DETAILED INFORMATION ON
18 SCREENS, MONITORING LEVELS OF SMOKE, AND OTHER THINGS. AND
19 ACTUALLY, I GUESS THERE ARE, YOU HAVE SOME NEW EQUIPMENT WHERE
20 YOU HAVE DRONES THAT CAN ACTUALLY GO IN SPACES THAT YOU DON'T
21 WANT TO SEND HUMAN BEINGS INTO THAT CAN ACTUALLY RECORD A LOT
22 OF INFORMATION AND DATA SO YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING ABOUT
23 THAT?

24

25 **ANTHONY MARRONE:** YES CERTAINLY MADAM CHAIR THANK YOU ANTHONY



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1 MARRONE, FIRE CHIEF COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT
2 IS CORRECT THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS AN ASSISTING
3 AGENCY TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WAS
4 THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION, BUT WE DID BRING PERSONNEL
5 FROM L.A. COUNTY FIRE, NOT ONLY TO HELP FIGHT THE FIRE, BUT WE
6 HAD OUR HEALTH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PERSONNEL THERE TO MONITOR
7 THE AIR QUALITY OF THE SURROUNDING AREAS.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THAT'S MARIO TRESIERRAS, FIRE.
10 YEAH. CAN YOU ADD ANYTHING THERE THAT YOU SAW THAT ANY CAUTION
11 CAUTIONARY NOTES THERE? I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY AT THE BEGINNING OF
12 THE FIRE, THERE WAS SOME AMMONIA LEAK, AND DID THAT PERMEATE
13 THE COMMUNITY IN ANY WAY, OR THE 1ST TWO BLOCK? WHAT HAPPENED?
14 HOW WAS THAT HANDLED?

15

16 **MARIO TRESIERRAS:** YEAH, GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND
17 SUPERVISORS. YEAH, SO OUR HEALTH HAZMAT TEAMS WERE DISPATCHED
18 IMMEDIATELY ON THAT FIRE AND PLUGGED IN. AND WITH LAFD BEING
19 THE LEAD, THERE WAS AN INITIAL CONCERN WITH THE REFRIGERANT
20 WITH THE ANHYDROUS AMMONIA THAT HAD THAT BEEN BREACHED OR
21 RELEASED THAT COULD HAVE BEEN CATASTROPHIC AND EXTREMELY
22 DANGEROUS AND I BELIEVE THAT IS WHY THE REASON THAT THE
23 SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER WAS BASICALLY ISSUED THERE FOR THAT
24 LOCATION FOR THE SAFETY. ONCE THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE WAS
25 MITIGATED AND NO LONGER A HAZARD ALONG WITH THE LITHIUM-ION



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1 BATTERY CONCERNS THAT COULD HAVE LIBERATED HYDROGEN FLUORIDE
2 GAS. THAT'S WHEN THE ADVISORIES WERE SENT OUT AND THAT BECAME
3 MORE OF A COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL TYPE FIRE. MY TEAM CONTINUED
4 TO DO MONITORING AND AS I EXPRESSED TWO WEEKS AGO, WE'RE
5 UTILIZING HANDHELD MONITORS. SO WE'RE MONITORING THE AIR MORE
6 FOR ACUTE HAZARDS, RIGHT? AND SO THAT'S WHERE THE
7 DETERMINATION AT THAT POINT IN THE ADVISORIES WERE GIVEN TO
8 LAFD AT THAT POINT FOR ANY DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES AT THAT
9 TIME.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANYTHING THAT YOU'RE DOING
12 RIGHT NOW WITH RESPECT TO THE DEBRIS THAT IS STILL CONTAINED
13 IN THE STORAGE FACILITY? IS THERE ANY MONITORING THAT YOU ALL
14 DO FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT?

15

16 **MARIO TRESIERRAS:** SO ONCE AGAIN I DID GO THERE THIS MORNING IN
17 PERSON. I ACTUALLY INTERVIEWED ONE OF THE CONTRACTORS THERE
18 AND IT'S REALLY NICE TO SEE THAT THEY'RE BUTTONING UP THAT
19 FACILITY WITH SOME WITH SOME PLASTIC COVERS THAT SHOULD REALLY
20 MINIMIZE SOME OF THOSE ODORS AND ON TOP OF THAT WHAT I
21 OBSERVED WERE THOSE MISTERS TO RIGHT TO HELP OFFSET THOSE
22 ODORS SO AS FAR AS THE MY LAST TEAM MEMBER WAS THEIR LAST
23 THURSDAY THEY WERE REQUESTED BY THE JOINT HAZARD ASSESSMENT
24 TEAM FROM LAFD REGARDING CONCERNS FOR METHANE GAS. METHANE GAS
25 IS LIGHTER THAN AIR. WE DID SEND OUR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT OUT



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1 THERE TO SUPPORT THE EFFORT, AND THERE WERE EXTREMELY LOW, IF
2 ANY, CONCENTRATIONS, RIGHT? YOU NEED TO HAVE 5% OR 50,000
3 PARTS PER MILLION FOR THAT TO BE AN EXPLOSIVITY HAZARD, AND
4 THERE WAS NO LEVELS OF CONCERN FOR THAT. BUT WE HAVE NOT HAD
5 STAFF PER LAFD. THEY SAID THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO DO THE
6 MONITORING AND NO LONGER NEEDED HEALTH HAZMAT AS OF LAST
7 THURSDAY.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I WANTED TO ASK ABOUT THE, THEY
10 USED SOME DEODORANT TO SUPPRESS THE ODORS. CAN YOU TELL ME
11 WHAT THAT WAS? AND IS IT STILL BEING USED AND IS IT EFFECTIVE?

12

13 **MARIO TRESIERRAS:** YOU KNOW WHAT, I OBTAINED ACTUALLY A SAFETY
14 DATA SHEET, EXCUSE ME, FROM THAT. THEY WERE USING A PARTICULAR
15 PRODUCT NOW. IT'S BASICALLY A PRODUCT THAT I REVIEWED THE
16 SAFETY DATA SHEET. AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE CONCENTRATION OF A
17 CHEMICAL THERE, OF COURSE, YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE SOME PARTICULAR
18 HAZARDS. BUT THEY DO HAVE STATEMENTS IN ITEM NUMBER 3 OF THE
19 SDS WHEN IT'S HIGHLY DILUTED, THEY'RE INDICATING THERE ARE NO
20 HEALTH CONCERNS TO THE PUBLIC ON THAT SAFETY DATA SHEET.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WANTED TO ALSO ASK OUR
23 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WHAT ROLE ARE YOU PLAYING IN THE
24 DEBRIS REMOVAL? AND YOU'VE BEEN ON THE SCENE SINCE THE GET-GO
25 BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THE AMOUNT OF WATER BEING USED AND THE FLOW



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1 OF THAT WATER, WE'VE HEARD DIFFERENT STORIES ABOUT WHERE SOME
2 OF THE DEBRIS IS ENDING UP IN OUR STORM SYSTEM OR WATER SYSTEM
3 OR L.A. RIVER. CAN YOU GO OVER SOME OF THAT WITH US AND THEN
4 ALSO TALK ABOUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE, THE FACT THAT WHILE WE
5 LOOK AT THE PLANNING OF GETTING THE DEBRIS OUT OF THE AREA,
6 WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT'S ALREADY IMPACTED
7 THERE.

8

9 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** YEAH, GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR. LUIS RAMIREZ,
10 I'M A DEPUTY DIRECTOR AT L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS. SO YES,
11 PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN PRESENT AT THE INCIDENT AS SOON AS IT
12 WAS SAFE TO DO SO. WE WERE AT THE SCENE, AS YOU MENTIONED, TO
13 MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE PROTECTING THE WATER QUALITY IN THE
14 L.A. RIVER, AND THAT IS DONE THROUGH MAKING SURE THAT BEST
15 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ARE ESTABLISHED AND IMPLEMENTED IN ALL
16 THE STORM DRAINS SURROUNDING THE FACILITY TO MINIMIZE THE, TO
17 MINIMIZE THE AMOUNT OF SOLID PARTICLES THAT WOULD BE GOING
18 INTO THE STORM DRAINS. SO OUR TEAMS AT PUBLIC WORKS WORKED
19 WITH L.A. COUNTY, I MEAN L.A. CITY SANITATION TO MAKE SURE
20 THAT STORM RISK WERE BEING PROTECTED. WE ALSO AT THE OUTLET IN
21 THE L.A. RIVER, WE PUT IN SOME BOONS TO CATCH ANYTHING THAT
22 MAY HAVE GONE THROUGH THOSE BMPS JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
23 WATER QUALITY DOWNSTREAM WAS FREE OF THOSE SOLIDS. WE HAVE
24 ALSO SUPERVISED FOR BEEN DOING SOME WATER QUALITY TESTING AT
25 THE L.A. RIVER. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY HAS ALSO CARRIED OUT



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1 SOME TESTING. AND I THINK EARLIER YOU HAD ASKED IF WE HAD ANY
2 INITIAL RESULTS. AND WHAT WE HAVE FOUND IS THAT DURING THE
3 INCIDENT, THERE WERE REALLY LOW PH LEVELS IN THE WATER AS WELL
4 AS OXYGEN CONCENTRATION. YOU RECALL THAT THERE, WE FOUND SOME
5 DEAD FISH IN THE RIVER AT THE TIME WHILE WE DON'T KNOW THAT
6 THAT IS THE REASON WHY THE FISH DIED IT OFTEN IS A REASON WHY
7 THERE ARE THOSE DIALS WHEN YOU HAVE LOW PH AND LOW OXYGEN
8 CONCENTRATION WE'VE CONTINUED TO DO SOME TESTING. WE'VE GOTTEN
9 SOME RAW DATA THAT IS STILL BEING ANALYZED, SO WE DON'T HAVE
10 ANY CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE TO REALLY INDICATE WHETHER THERE WERE
11 ACTUALLY ANY LONG-TERM CONTAMINATION OF THE RIVER.

12
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WHEN WILL YOU GET THAT
14 INFORMATION?

15
16 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** SO WE SHOULD BE GETTING IT. MY UNDERSTANDING IS
17 WITHIN THE UPCOMING WEEK.

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WE'LL BE ABLE TO POST THAT,
20 PUBLICIZE IT. AND JUST GOING, CAN YOU TALK QUICKLY ABOUT THE
21 INFRASTRUCTURE, THE FACT

22
23 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** ABSOLUTELY.

24
25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT YOU'RE INVOLVED IN THE DEBRIS



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1 PLANNING OF THE REMOVAL?

2

3 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** YES, PART OF OUR ROLE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
4 REVIEW THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY'S WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WHAT
5 THAT ENTAILS IS HOW THE DEBRIS THAT WILL BE REMOVED WILL BE
6 SEGREGATED. SO YOU'RE LOOKING AT SEGREGATING, FOR EXAMPLE, THE
7 METALS, FOOD WASTE, THE INSULATION FOAM THAT WAS ESSENTIALLY
8 COVERING THE EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING, AS WELL AS THE LIQUID.
9 PART OF ONE OF THE MITIGATIONS THAT THEY IMPLEMENTED TO
10 PREVENT WATER FROM GOING INTO THE YELLOW RIVER WAS TO HAVE
11 VECTOR TRUCKS THAT WERE ESSENTIALLY VACUUMING ANY WATER THAT
12 WAS SPILLING OUT OF A BUILDING TO PREVENT IT FROM GOING INTO
13 THE STORM DRAINS PRIOR TO THE CITY REROUTING THAT INTO THE
14 SANITARY WASTE SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY. SO ALL OF THAT WASTE
15 HAS TO BE SEGREGATED AND THERE ARE SPECIFIC FACILITIES THAT
16 WILL TAKE EACH OF THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF WASTE. SO THE WASTE
17 MANAGEMENT PLAN INDICATES HOW THAT'S GOING TO BE DONE AND WE
18 TAKE PART IN THE REVIEW OF THAT PLAN. ANOTHER THING THAT WE'RE
19 DOING IS MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE REVIEWING THE HAUL ROUTES THAT
20 ARE BEING PROPOSED. AND WE DO THAT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE
21 REDUCING TRAFFIC IMPACTS TO THE COMMUNITY, MINIMIZING THE
22 NUMBER OF HEAVY TRUCKS THAT ARE GOING THROUGH RESIDENTIAL
23 AREAS. AS YOU KNOW, SOME STREETS ARE RATED TO TAKE A SPECIFIC
24 AMOUNT OF WEIGHT. AND SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE
25 TRUCKS THAT ARE HAULING THE WASTE ARE NOT GOING DOWN STREETS



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1 THAT WERE NOT DESIGNED TO TAKE THAT WASTE. PART OF WHAT WE
2 ALSO LOOK AT IS HOW THE WASTE IS GOING TO BE DISPOSED. SO IN
3 THIS CASE, WHEN THE CONTRACTOR BEGINS TO REMOVE THE FOOD THAT
4 IS INSIDE THE FREEZER THAT HAS YET TO BE OPENED, WHICH WILL BE
5 DECOMPOSING, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S WRAPPED PROPERLY.
6 PART OF WHAT THEY'RE PROPOSING IS TO PUT A LAYER OF MATERIAL
7 INSIDE THE TRUCKS TO PREVENT IT FROM LEAKING DOWN THE
8 ROADWAYS, BUT ALSO WRAPPING THE EXTERIOR TO MITIGATE ODORS, AS
9 WELL AS PUTTING SOME FOAM ON TOP OF THE TRUCKS AS THEY'RE
10 BEING REMOVED. SO WE LOOK AT THAT, WE ALSO LOOK AT THE
11 FREQUENCY IN WHICH THE TRUCKS ARE LEAVING THE FACILITY TO MAKE
12 SURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE TRUCKS LEAVING SO FREQUENTLY THAT IT
13 AT LEAST TO UNINTENDED TRAFFIC IMPACTS TO THE SURROUNDING
14 COMMUNITY.

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO YOU'RE ABLE TO WORK WITH THE
17 COMMUNITY THERE. I MEAN, ARE THEY INFORMED ABOUT WHAT THAT
18 WHAT THOSE ROUTES WILL BE LIKE?

19
20 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** CORRECT. SO WE'VE GONE THROUGH ABOUT 3 DIFFERENT
21 ITERATIONS OF THE HALL ROUTES AND WE ARE MAKING THEM PUBLIC AS
22 THEY GET APPROVED. AND THAT ALIGNS ALSO SUPERVISOR WITH MAYOR
23 BASS'S ORDER THAT THE CONTRACTOR PUBLISH AND GET THOSE HALL
24 ROUTES APPROVED. SO WE'RE MAKING SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT THE
25 INTENT OF THAT ORDER IS IMPLEMENTED.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND SOME OF THAT DEBRIS'S ALREADY
3 REACHED SOME LANDFILLS, I'M TOLD?

4

5 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** CORRECT, SO THE FIRST THING THEY DID,
6 SUPERVISOR, WAS TO TRY TO CLEAR THE DEBRIS AROUND THE BUILDING
7 TO BE ABLE TO MAKE IT SAFE FOR PEOPLE TO GO IN THERE AND
8 ASSESS THE CONDITION OF THE STRUCTURE. SO SOME OF THAT DEBRIS,
9 WHICH INCLUDED METAL, IT INCLUDED SOME OF THAT INSULATION
10 FOAM, IT ALSO INCLUDED SOME FOOD, BREAD, THAT WAS BEING STORED
11 IN ONE OF THEIR LOADING DOCKS THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN REMOVED
12 AND DISPOSED. HOWEVER, THE FIRE DEBRIS THAT IS STILL WITHIN
13 THE SITE THAT STARTED THEY STARTED SEGREGATING THAT YESTERDAY.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I KNOW I MAYBE I MISSED ASKING THIS
16 OF DR. FERRER WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT ODORS WE HAD HEARD A WHILE
17 BACK AND I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S CORRECT OR NOT, THAT THERE WAS
18 MOLD THAT WAS NOW GROWING IN THE WAREHOUSE, AND YOU MENTIONED
19 YOU VISITED YESTERDAY. CAN YOU TALK ABOUT THAT?

20

21 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, OUR TEAM VISITED YESTERDAY, AND
22 THERE WAS NO OBVIOUS SIGN OF MOLD. OBVIOUSLY WE'LL CONTINUE
23 WORKING WITH THE FOLKS THAT ARE CLEANING UP AT THE SITE TO
24 MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S NO MOLD OR THAT IF THERE IS MOLD THAT'S
25 NOTICED, IT'S REMEDIATED IMMEDIATELY. AGAIN, YOU KNOW, GETTING



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1 INSIDE THE FULL STRUCTURE IS NOT POSSIBLE YET. SO.

2

3 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHEN DO YOU THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE
4 POSSIBLE? ANY GUESS IN HERE FROM ANYONE? OH, YEAH. NO. WELL,
5 THEY HAVE, THEY HAVE TO RETRIEVE SOMETHING HAS TO WORK TO GET
6 ALL THAT DEBRIS OUT. SO, I MEAN, I WOULD ASSUME THERE'S STILL
7 PROBABLY A HAZARD WITH RESPECT TO SENDING IN CREWS FOR SAFETY
8 PURPOSES.

9

10 **LUIS RAMIREZ:** SO, SUPERVISOR, I KNOW THAT THE L.A. CITY
11 BUILDING OFFICIAL HAS REQUIRED THE CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE A
12 PLAN ON HOW THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE SURE THAT THE STRUCTURE THAT
13 BURNT IS SAFE, RIGHT, TO INCLUDE SOME SHORING POTENTIALLY SO
14 THAT PEOPLE CAN SAFELY GO IN THERE AND START REMOVING THE
15 DEBRIS.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO IT'S STILL THERE, IS WHAT WE KNOW.
18 YES. WHICH IS VERY UNFORTUNATE, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE ON DAYS
19 LIKE THIS WHERE HEAT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS HAS BEEN
20 REALLY EXTREMELY HIGH, THE ODOR JUST PERMEATES. AND WHAT DO
21 PEOPLE DO ABOUT THAT, DR. FERRER? WHAT CAN THEY DO IF? THEY
22 BECOME NAUSEOUS. WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND TO THE PUBLIC?

23

24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I MEAN THE ONLY REALLY EFFECTIVE WAY TO
25 ADDRESS GETTING NOT GETTING SICK FROM NUISANCE ODORS IS TO



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1 AVOID BEING AROUND NUISANCE ODORS. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE
2 FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE, VERY YOUNG PEOPLE, VERY
3 OLD PEOPLE. AND THAT'S HARD TO DO IN THIS SITUATION FOR PEOPLE
4 WHO LIVE IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE, WE HAVE
5 ADVISED, YOU KNOW, BOTH BEFORE AND IN OTHER INCIDENCES WHERE
6 PEOPLE ARE EXPERIENCING NOXIOUS ODORS, THAT MAKING SURE YOU'RE
7 STAYING INDOORS WITH ALL YOUR WINDOWS CLOSED, THAT YOU'RE NOT
8 BRINGING IN AIR FROM THE OUTSIDE INTO YOUR HOUSE IF YOU'RE
9 RUNNING YOUR HVAC SYSTEM, USING AN AIR PURIFIER THAT HAS AN
10 ACTIVATED CHARCOAL FILTER IN IT. YOU KNOW, WE DO RECOMMEND FOR
11 PEOPLE WHO ARE ABLE TO LEAVE THE AREA DURING THE DAY AND GO TO
12 ONE OF OUR COUNTY FACILITIES, OUR LIBRARIES, ET CETERA, GET TO
13 GET OUT OF THE AREA IS SOMETHING USEFUL. NOW, OBVIOUSLY, FOR
14 ALL OF THIS, THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR EVERYONE. AND THAT'S WHY
15 WE HAVE BEEN VERY DIRECT WITH LINEAGE THAT A RELOCATION, THE
16 RESPONSIBLE PARTY. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY. THE RESPONSIBLE
17 PARTY THAT THEY'RE IN FACT NEED TO OFFER A RELOCATION BENEFIT.

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RELOCATION, RIGHT.

20
21 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** BECAUSE FOR SOME PEOPLE, YOU KNOW, 30 MORE
22 DAYS OF NUISANCE ODORS IS NOT GOING TO BE FEASIBLE AND WE JUST
23 HAVE TO BE HONEST ABOUT THAT YOU KNOW NUISANCE ODORS AFFECT
24 PEOPLE DIFFERENTLY THERE'S NO THERE'S NO THRESHOLD BY WHICH WE
25 CAN SAY, YOU KNOW, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT IF IT'S NOT AT THIS



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SUPERVISORS

1 THRESHOLD BECAUSE IT HAS AN INDIVIDUALIZED IMPACT ON PEOPLE.
2 FOR SOME PEOPLE, THIS CAN REALLY BE, HAVE A DETRIMENTAL
3 IMPACT, SHORT-TERM IMPACT, BUT IMPACT NONETHELESS ON THEIR
4 HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, AND THEY REALLY SHOULD AVOID THE AREA,
5 AND THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY SHOULD TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR
6 MAKING THAT POSSIBLE.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND IF THEY DON'T, YOU'RE PREPARED
9 TO?

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** WE'VE ISSUED A DIRECTIVE, AND WE'RE
12 OBVIOUSLY WORKING WITH COUNTY COUNSEL ABOUT WHAT THE OPTIONS
13 ARE.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. FOR DEO, JESSICA, KIM, THANKS
16 FOR BEING HERE. I'VE HEARD REPEATEDLY THAT PEOPLE HAVE LOST A
17 LOT OF WEALTH. I DON'T WANT TO EVEN SAY WELL, THEIR BUSINESS.
18 THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET BACK ON THEIR FEET BECAUSE OF
19 THE CLOSURES AND THE SMOKE AND ALL OF THAT. SO A LOT OF
20 DAMAGES, ECONOMIC, AS WELL AS HOMES, BUSINESSES, PROPERTY
21 OWNERS, AND PEOPLE ARE ASKING WHAT KIND OF RELIEF CAN THEY
22 EXPECT AND WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE GIVEN THAT WE'VE BEEN
23 THROUGH SO MANY OTHER SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES. WHAT PROCESS IS
24 MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **JESSICA KIM:** SURE. ONE OF THE, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, ONE OF
2 THE AREAS IN WHICH WE'RE UNLOCKING IS THE SBA ECONOMIC INJURY
3 DISASTER LOAN. IT IS ONE OF THE LOW INTEREST LOANS AT 4% THAT
4 BUSINESSES CAN OFFER. WE'VE BEEN CANVASSING AND WORKING WITH
5 BUSINESSES DIRECTLY AND HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED EIGHT
6 APPLICATIONS OF WHICH FIVE ARE NEEDED TO SUBMIT TO SBA IN
7 ORDER TO UNLOCK IT. AND SO WE ARE EXPEDITIOUSLY WORKING WITH
8 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, SBA, CAL OES, AND THE CITY OF
9 L.A. AS WE COORDINATE THAT. AND SO WE ARE HOPING TO GET THOSE
10 IN THIS WEEK AND GET THAT GOING. THE OTHER IS THERE IS A
11 CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITY THAT CAME THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA
12 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AT INCLUSIVE ACTION FOR THE CITY THAT IS
13 CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. IT'S \$3,000 GRANTS FOR BUSINESSES AND
14 1,000 FOR SIDEWALK VENDORS. AND SO THAT IS CURRENTLY OPEN
15 THROUGH JULY 13TH. AND THEN WE ALSO WORK TO UNLOCK \$2,000,000
16 IN ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE AND WORKFORCE FUNDS THAT BOTH
17 SUPPORTS THE WORKERS AND THE BUSINESSES. AND SO WE'VE BEEN
18 WORKING WITH THE CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
19 AND LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING BACK FROM THEM IN 10 DAYS THAT
20 IT'S APPROVED AND THAT WE CAN START IMPLEMENTING. BUT THAT
21 WILL PROVIDE JOB TRAINING, WRAP AROUND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES,
22 TRANSITIONAL SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYMENT. WE KNOW GETTING MONEY INTO
23 PEOPLE'S POCKETS AS THEY, WHETHER THIS TRANSITION IS CRITICAL.
24 AND SO THOSE FUNDS WILL SUPPORT OUR ABILITY TO QUICKLY
25 RESPOND.



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1

2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO AS LONG AS WE KEEP OUR RESOURCE
3 CENTERS OPEN, THE ONE, THE LARGEST ONE IN EAST LOS ANGELES,
4 YOUR OFFICE CAN HELP STAFF THAT, CORRECT?

5

6 **JESSICA KIM:** YES, YOU'RE THERE TO HELP.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND HELP THEM WITH THE APPLICATIONS
9 BECAUSE YOU LITERALLY HAVE TO WALK PEOPLE THROUGH IT. AND WHAT
10 ABOUT THOSE PEOPLE THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AN SBA LOAN
11 BECAUSE IT'S FEDERAL?

12

13 **JESSICA KIM:** THAT'S WHERE WE'LL CONTINUE TO PURSUE
14 OPPORTUNITIES TO UNLOCK FUNDING THAT CAN SUPPORT THE
15 BUSINESSES. SO WE'RE CONTINUOUSLY TALKING WITH OUR
16 PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS AS WELL. WE KNOW THE CALIFORNIA
17 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS IS GOING TO RELEASE
18 THE NEXT TRANCHE OF FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE LONGER ECONOMIC
19 RECOVERY, AND SO WE WILL CONTINUOUSLY PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND YOU ARE WORKING IN TANDEM WITH
22 THEM.

23

24 **JESSICA KIM:** CORRECT.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I'M JUST WONDERING FOR, OBVIOUSLY
2 WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY BECAUSE I'M SURE
3 THE DAMAGES ARE GOING TO BE ASTRONOMICAL AND FOR I MEAN IF
4 PEOPLE HAVE TO DECLARE BANKRUPTCY AND ALL OF THESE THINGS,
5 THINGS THAT GO ALONG WITH LOSING YOUR BUSINESS, OR YOU JUST
6 CAN'T GO BACK AT ALL BECAUSE YOUR PLACE HAS BEEN DAMAGED,
7 WHO'S LIABLE?

8

9 **JESSICA KIM:** THAT'S THE PUSH THAT WE WILL BE DOING WITH COUNTY
10 COUNSEL, THE CITY, AND ONCE WE DETERMINE THAT, TO BE ABLE THEN
11 TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY TO PURSUE THE CLAIMS PROCESS. WE WANT
12 TO ENSURE THAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AS THEY MAKE THEIR CLAIMS,
13 THAT THEY HAVE A GREAT APPLICATION, A COMPLETE APPLICATION
14 GOING IN, AND THAT ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE
15 LANGUAGES TOO, SO THAT FOLKS CAN NAVIGATE THAT. WE'RE DOING
16 SOMETHING SIMILAR FOR THE EAST L.A. OIL SPILL, AND WE'LL
17 CONTINUOUSLY PUSH FOR A CLAIMS PROCESS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SO
18 THAT THEN WE CAN SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY AS THEY APPLY.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND DO YOU HAVE STAFF OUT IN THE
21 FIELD? I KNOW LAST -

22

23 **JESSICA KIM:** WE DO. SO WE HAVE STAFF OUT CANVASSING THE
24 BUSINESSES. WE DON'T WANT TO TAKE A WAIT-AND-SEE APPROACH SO
25 WE'RE WE HAVE STAFF OUT VISITING OUR BUSINESSES WHERE WE'RE



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SUPERVISORS

1 GAINING THAT ON THE GROUND INTELLIGENCE, AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE
2 STAFF AT BOTH OF THE ASSISTANCE CENTERS PROVIDING THOSE
3 SERVICES.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO YOU HAVE TEAMS, BOTH IN BOYLE
6 HEIGHTS AND EAST L.A., GOING DOOR TO DOOR TO BUSINESSES, AND
7 HOW MANY OF YOU CONTACTED SO FAR?

8
9 **JESSICA KIM:** OVER 50 IN THE CANVASSING, WE SPLIT WITH THE CITY
10 OF L.A. SO THAT WE CAN COVER MORE GROUND, AND OF WHICH WE
11 ALREADY KNOW A 1/3 HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY SMOKE DAMAGE, A 1/3
12 HAS HAD WORKFORCE IMPACTS, ABOUT A 1/3 HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO
13 FULLY OPERATE AND HAS HAD THEIR SUPPLY CHAINS DISRUPTED. AND
14 SO AS WE UNDERSTAND THE IMPACTS GREATER AND GREATER, THEN IT'S
15 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO THEN RESPOND WITH RESOURCES AND TO
16 DEVELOP AND PUSH FOR THOSE.

17
18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL AT SOME
19 POINT IF WE CAN PUBLISH THAT SO PEOPLE UNDERSTAND AND WILL
20 OPEN UP AND HOPEFULLY CONTACT US, BUT ALSO CONTINUING THE
21 OUTREACH, BECAUSE THAT I THINK IS PERSISTENT. AND THERE ARE A
22 LOT OF, INCLUDING STREET VENDORS, THAT HAVE BEEN IMPACTED.

23
24 **JESSICA KIM:** ABSOLUTELY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I SEE A LOT OF AUTO BODY SHOPS,
2 THINGS OF THAT NATURE WHERE PEOPLE ARE WORKING OUTDOORS. I GET
3 VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. AND PEOPLE NOT WANTING TO COME INTO
4 THEIR BUSINESSES ANY LONGER. WE'VE SEEN THAT IN EVEN SOME OF
5 THE RESTAURANTS THAT STILL HAVE TO SOMEHOW CLEAN THEIR INSIDE
6 BUILDINGS AS WELL BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN SMOKED, STAINED.

7
8 **JESSICA KIM:** AND TO WORK WITH OUR BUSINESSES, THERE'S A
9 WORKSHARE PROGRAM TOO. SO ANY BUSINESS THAT IS REDUCING HOURS
10 AS A RESULT, THERE'S A WAY IN WHICH WE CAN LEVERAGE OUR
11 RESOURCES AND GRANTS IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THEM FOR THE WORKERS
12 TO EARN THEIR FULL WAGES WHILE THEY HAVE REDUCED HOURS. AND SO
13 WE'RE DEPLOYING EVERY RESOURCE THAT WE CAN TO ENSURE FOLKS ARE
14 CONTINUOUSLY EARNING AND HAVING MONEY IN THEIR POCKETS.

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. AND THEN FOR OUR COUNTY
17 COUNSEL, WHAT STEPS, WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS FOR US? IF YOU
18 CAN GIVE US A SENSE OF WHAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW.

19
20 **SCOTT COON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SCOTT COON, ASSISTANT COUNTY
21 COUNSEL. SO IN TERMS OF NEXT STEPS, WE ARE WORKING WITH AN
22 EXPERT TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE AND TO HAVE A
23 DEFINITIVE LIST OF RESPONSIBLE PARTIES. DOWN THE ROAD AT THE
24 APPROPRIATE TIME, WE COULD BEGIN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO
25 RECOVER ALL OF THE COUNTY'S COSTS, THE DIFFERENT COUNTY



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SUPERVISORS

1 FAMILIES, EVERYONE HERE AT THE DIAS, ALL THEIR DEPARTMENTS
2 HAVE INCURRED A LOT OF EXPENSE. IT WOULD BE A SIMILAR PROCESS
3 TO WHAT WE'VE DONE IN OTHER SITUATIONS LIKE CHIQUITA CANYON
4 LANDFILL, DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL ODOR INCIDENT, THE EATON FIRE
5 AGAINST EDISON. SO AGAIN, THAT PROCESS REALLY COME TOWARDS THE
6 END AS OF THIS PROCESS. THE FOCUS RIGHT NOW, OF COURSE, IS ON
7 RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY NEEDS, RECOVERY, CLEANUP, REMOVAL OF
8 THE ODORS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT THEN AFTER ALL OF THOSE
9 COSTS ARE GATHERED UP, THEN THAT WOULD BE THE TIME FOR COUNTY
10 COUNSEL TO GO AND DO OUR BEST TO RECOVER THOSE COSTS FOR THE
11 COUNTY.

12
13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ONE THING THAT ENTERS MY MIND IS
14 WHERE CAN PEOPLE CALL FOR, WHERE DO THEY GO TO MAKE A CLAIM?
15 DO WE EVEN HAVE A HOTLINE TO DO THAT?

16
17 **SCOTT COON:** WELL, AGAIN, THAT WOULD BE A BETTER QUESTION FOR
18 OTHERS ON THE PANEL. THE COUNTY COUNSEL, WE CAN ONLY REPRESENT
19 THE COUNTY OR THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, NOT
20 INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS. SO I'D REFER IT TO
21 OTHERS.

22
23 **JESSICA KIM:** NOT AT THIS TIME. THERE IS NO CLAIMS PROCESS
24 ESTABLISHED YET. AND SO THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE WILL
25 CONTINUOUSLY MONITOR.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO DO THAT,
3 AND I'M GOING TO READ IN A MOTION TO KIND OF HOPEFULLY START
4 THAT PROCESS BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF CONCERNS
5 FOR THAT. SO IF I MIGHT, MEMBERS AND THE PANEL, MY COLLEAGUES,
6 I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR BEING HERE. THIS IS OBVIOUSLY
7 GOING TO BE A LONG PROCESS FOR MANY OF US, BUT IT IS VERY
8 CLEAR TO ME THAT WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO STAND WITH OUR
9 RESIDENTS AND TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE APPROPRIATE RESPONSES.
10 AND WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THE SUPPORT
11 FROM LINEAGE, THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR THEIR CONTRACTED
12 PARTNERS TO HELP US SUSTAIN THIS OPERATION, BECAUSE IT ISN'T
13 ALL, IT CAN'T ALL COME FROM JUST THE COUNTY OR EVEN MY OWN
14 FUNDS THAT I HAVE. WE REALLY HAVE GONE THROUGH A LOT IN THE
15 LAST THREE WEEKS. AND THAT INCLUDES FUNDING FOR THE RECOVERY
16 AS WELL AS MONITORING FOR ONGOING HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL
17 RISKS TO HELP INFORM DPH'S DECISIONS. SO TO THAT END, I HAVE A
18 READ IN MOTION TODAY TO HELP ENSURE THAT WE CAN SUSTAIN THESE
19 OPERATIONS MOVING FORWARD. SO I'M GOING TO TRY TO RUN THROUGH
20 THIS QUICKLY. THE DIRECTORS WILL READ AS FOLLOWS. I THEREFORE
21 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEND A FIVE SIGNATURE
22 LETTER DRAFTED BY COUNTY COUNSEL TO LINEAGE REQUESTING
23 RESPONSE AND WRITING WITHIN 48 HOURS ADDRESSING THE COUNTY'S
24 REQUEST AND CONCERNS TO ENSURE ONGOING SUPPORT FOR IMPACTED
25 RESIDENTS BUT NOT LIMITED TO COMMITMENTS FOR ONGOING RESOURCES



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SUSTAIN CRITICAL COUNTY COMMUNITY
2 RESPONSE CENTERS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FOOD, WATER,
3 N95 MASKS, AND AIR PURIFIERS, IN ADDITION TO RESOURCES AND
4 SERVICES FROM THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO SUPPORT LOCATIONS AT
5 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY RESILIENCY CENTER, THE OUR
6 LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH IN SALAZAR PARK, SUPPORT FOR ESSENTIAL
7 COMMUNITY RESPONSES, INCLUDING IMMEDIATE TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR
8 BOYLE HEIGHTS AND EAST LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS IMPACTED BY THE
9 RECENT FIRE, LONG-TERM HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR IMPACTED
10 RESIDENTS AND THEIR PETS, AND SERVICE ANIMALS FOR THE DURATION
11 OF THE REMEDIATION EFFORTS, A SMOKE AND TOXIN REMEDIATION
12 PROGRAM AT NO COST TO RENTERS OR HOMEOWNERS AND BUSINESS
13 OWNERS, FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINICS AND COUNTY HEALTH
14 SERVICES INVOLVED IN THE ONGOING COMMUNITY RESPONSE, FINANCIAL
15 SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTING RESIDENTS
16 AND LOCAL BUSINESSES, CREATING A DEDICATED MULTILINGUAL
17 HOTLINE AND CLAIM CENTER AND PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY
18 MEETINGS TO DIRECTLY INFORM AND RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM IMPACTED
19 RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES. COMPREHENSIVE PLANS TO ADDRESS THE
20 FOLLOWING. MATERIAL REMOVAL SCHEDULE WITH PHASED MILESTONES
21 FOR FURTHER INTERIOR CLEARANCE, A DAILY MANIFEST OF ALL
22 MATERIALS TO BE REMOVED, INCLUDING PROPOSED DISPOSAL
23 DESTINATION AND DECADAMINATION PLANS, ODOR AND VECTOR CONTROL
24 PLANS THAT MITIGATE PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS TO SURROUNDING
25 NEIGHBORHOODS. FIRE WATER RUNOFF MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING TESTING



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 RESULTS PUBLISHED DAILY. AIR QUALITY MONITORING DURING
2 DEMOLITION AND HAULING OPERATIONS WITH REAL TIME DATA REPORTED
3 BY THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLISHED
4 AND ANALYZED DAILY. REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCLUDING
5 BUT NOT LIMITED TO ASBESTOS, LITHIUM BATTERIES, AND MOLD.
6 IDENTIFICATION OF CERTIFIED WASTE HAULERS, BIOHAZARD DISPOSAL
7 CONTRACTORS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL RADIATION FIRMS, RETENTION OF A
8 CERTIFIED INDUSTRIAL HYGIENIST OR LICENSED ENVIRONMENTAL
9 PROFESSIONAL OF RECORD RESPONSIBLE FOR SITE OVERSIGHT AND
10 PUBLISHING OF DESIGNATED OPERATING HOURS AND DAILY NUMBER OF
11 TRUCK HAULS THAT MINIMIZE IMPACTS ON THE SURROUNDING
12 COMMUNITY, WITH ADVANCED NOTIFICATION OF ANY SIGNIFICANT
13 CHANGES. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU AGAIN FOR BEING HERE AND
14 SHARING INFORMATION, BUT I KNOW THAT THIS IS JUST THE
15 BEGINNING AND WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO AND ABOVE ALL
16 COORDINATION. AND I THINK WHAT COMES FOR ME TO MIND IS THAT
17 THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY, PARTIES, HAVE TO RESPECT OUR COMMUNITY
18 AND HAVE TO RESPECT THE ABILITY FOR US TO DO OUR JOB HERE AT
19 THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE CITY. AND WITH HAVING NO PARTNERSHIP
20 OR COMMUNICATION, WE'RE GOING NOWHERE, AND THAT CAN'T HAPPEN.
21 SO WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO LIFT UP THE VOICES OF OUR
22 RESIDENTS AND THE CONCERNS THAT YOU ALL HAVE AND THE
23 COOPERATION. AND I KNOW THAT THAT'S GOING TO CARRY US THROUGH
24 AS IT HAS IN MANY OTHER WAYS. BUT I DON'T WANT TO SEE EAST
25 L.A. OR BOYLE HEIGHTS LEFT IN THE SAME MANNER THAT WE SAW



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SUPERVISORS

1 ALMOST THREE WEEKS AGO. SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE, AND THE TIME
2 AND ACTION IS NOW. SO THANK YOU. DO I HAVE, DO MY COLLEAGUES
3 HAVE ANY COMMENTS? NONE? OKAY, VERY GOOD THEN. WITH THAT,
4 LET'S GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
7 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA JEREZ, LISA
8 CONTRERAS, ROXANNE NAZARIO, ALMA MARQUEZ, JERRY GUZMAN, CINDY
9 BOURBON, IRENE GONZALEZ, JOSE MATEO, CLAUDETTE CONTRERAS,
10 UMBERTA LARIOS, VIRGIN ZARATE, E. ALVAREZ, SALMA PEREZ, MIKKEL
11 SLEEDA HERRERA, LIZETTE DUARTE. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
12 UNMUTED. PLEASE BEGIN.

13
14 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** THANK YOU. GIVING CREDIT TO ALL WHERE CREDIT IS
15 DUE IN THE PRESENT, IT BRINGS QUESTIONS AS TO THIS COUNTIES
16 AND CITIES THERE IN PREPARATION FOR FUTURE DISASTER POTENTIALS
17 ASSOCIATED WITH DATA CENTERS WITH BEST/CITY OF INDUSTRY AND
18 LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE MOSS LANDING DATA CENTER FAILURE. THE
19 ORANGE COUNTY CHEMICAL DISASTER IS A MINI VIEW OF DISASTER
20 POTENTIAL. YES, WE REALIZE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WILSHIRE
21 BUILDING FORESIGHT DATA CENTER COMPLEX IS THREE CAMPUSES,
22 ALLEGEDLY WITH A 2 GIG BEST STATION. THANK YOU.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED.
25 PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER, PLEASE BEGIN. CALLER. MADAM CHAIR, THERE



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SUPERVISORS

1 ARE NO OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE
2 PARTICIPATION FOR ITEM A1 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO IN-
3 PERSON SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

4
5 **GERRI GUZMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS AND STAFF. MY NAME
6 IS GERRI GUZMAN. I LIVE 3.5 MILES FROM THE LINEAGE WAREHOUSE
7 TOXIC FIRE IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO WHERE I'VE LIVED ALL MY
8 LIFE. HOWEVER, MY SON WHO WAS 42 AND ANOTHER SON WHO WAS 44
9 LIVE IN BOYLE HEIGHTS AND HAVE FOR SEVERAL YEARS. WE ARE
10 REPRESENTED TODAY AS I ALSO REPRESENT 30 ORGANIZATIONS AND
11 THEIR LEADERSHIP. AND WE ALL WANT THE SAME THING. WE WANT
12 EVACUATION OF THE RESIDENTS WITH HELP TO MOVE NOW, NOT A
13 REIMBURSEMENT MONTHS LATER. I'M SURE MOST OF YOU, NOT ALL OF
14 YOU KNOW THAT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS TO
15 HAVE THE MONEY TO FRONT UP THE COSTS. THE ONLY THING THAT WILL
16 STOP THE GAS IS DISTANCE. DECLARE OUR HOMES UNSAFE, DATED BACK
17 TO JUNE 17TH SO THAT OUR INSURANCE AND MORTGAGE RELIEF FINALLY
18 CAN BE UNLOCKED. TELL US WHAT HAS BURNED AND PLEASE NAME THE
19 CHEMICALS --

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU WANT TO SUBMIT YOUR STATEMENT YOU
24 CAN, OKAY, AND THEN THEY'LL MAKE COPIES. THANK YOU, JERRY.
25 APPRECIATE IT.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **LISA CONTRERAS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LISA CONTRERAS AND I'M A
3 RESIDENT OF EL SERENO I AM HERE TO ASK THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS AND DR. DAVIS TO PLEASE USE YOUR AUTHORITY TO
5 PROVIDE FULL TRANSPARENCY TO OUR COMMUNITY AND SURROUNDING
6 COMMUNITIES REGARDING THIS TOXIC FIRE THAT IS STILL SMOLDERING
7 IN THE LINEAGE BUILDING, AS WELL AS PROVIDING THOROUGH AND
8 EXTENSIVE TESTING OF AIR, SOIL, BUSINESSES AND HOMES IN THE
9 IMPACTED AREAS. WE ARE ASKING FOR AN URGENT MEETING TO FURTHER
10 DISCUSS THIS CRISIS. WE ALSO NEED A PLAN SHARED PUBLICLY ON
11 HOW THE WASTE IS SAFELY BEING REMOVED. IT WAS MENTIONED HERE
12 TODAY BUT IT'S 20 DAYS IN AND WE NEED ANSWERS FASTER. DO NOT
13 PACIFY US WITH AIR PURIFIERS AND MASKS, ALTHOUGH HELPFUL FOR
14 PARTICULATE MATTER, THEY DON'T PROTECT US AGAINST GASES. OUR
15 SUPERVISOR, HILDA SOLIS, MENTIONED THAT 9,000 AIR PURIFIERS
16 HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED IN THE COMMUNITY, BUT WE HAVE 750,000
17 RESIDENTS. SO THAT'S --

18

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

20

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

22

23 **ROXANNE NAZARIO:** HI, MY NAME'S ROXANNE NAZARIO. I AM THE
24 DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS FOR HPP CARES,
25 WHICH HAS BEEN ON THE GROUND HELPING REBUILD IN ALTADENA.



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SUPERVISORS

1 THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR ALL OF HER SUPPORT. I'M
2 HERE TO HELP ADVOCATE FOR THIS GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO IS BEING,
3 WHO'S NOT GETTING THE SAME SUPPORT THAT OTHER IMPACTED
4 COMMUNITIES HAVE GOTTEN BECAUSE IT'S NOT VISIBLE. JUST BECAUSE
5 WE CAN'T SEE IT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S NOT TOXIC, DOESN'T MEAN IT'S
6 NOT AFFECTING AND HURTING FAMILIES. IT ABSOLUTELY IS. SO JUST
7 LIKE PREVIOUS PEOPLE SAID, DISTANCE IS THE ONLY THING THAT'S
8 GOING TO HELP, AND WE'RE DEMANDING A HEALTH LOCAL EMERGENCY BE
9 DECLARED SO PEOPLE CAN BE EVACUATED OUT OF THE AREA. ALSO WANT
10 TO MENTION THAT WE CAN'T JUST DEPEND ON LINEAGE TO DO THE
11 RIGHT THING. THEIR CEO MADE \$69,300,000 IN 2024. I DOUBT THAT
12 THEY'RE GOING TO WANT TO GIVE UP ANY OF THAT FUNDS, INCLUDING
13 THE MONEY THAT THEY'VE LOST BY THIS TRAGEDY TO HELP PEOPLE IN
14 THE COMMUNITY THERE --

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

17
18 **CINDY BORBON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS CINDY BORBON, AND I'M
19 HERE REPRESENTING MY ELDERLY FAMILY AND MANY RESIDENTS IN L.A.
20 COUNTY DISTRICT 4 MY FAMILY WAS FORCED TO SELF EVACUATE AT
21 THEIR OWN EXPENSE BECAUSE THEY EXPERIENCED SEVERE HEALTH
22 SYMPTOMS DURING AND AFTER THE FIRE WE HAVE REPEATEDLY BEEN
23 TOLD THAT THE AIR IS SAFE, BUT WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT. THE
24 SCIENCE DOES NOT SUPPORT MAKING A CONCLUSION WITHOUT COMPLETE
25 TESTING. TODAY I'M ASKING FOR DR. DAVIS TO USE HIS AUTHORITY



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SUPERVISORS

1 TO RECOMMEND A MANDATORY EVACUATION FOR ALL IMPACTED RESIDENTS
2 WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, DECLARE AFFECTED HOMES UNSAFE UNTIL
3 THEY CAN BE PROPERLY ASSESSED. CONDUCTING TESTING FOR ALL
4 HAZARDOUS GASES AND CONTAMINANTS. PUBLICLY DISCLOSE WHAT'S
5 EXACTLY BURNED AND WHAT'S COMMUNITY ARE EXPOSED TO. AND
6 PROVIDE CLEAR GUIDANCE TO PHYSICIANS SO THEY CAN KNOW HOW TO
7 EVALUATE AND TREAT EXPOSED PATIENTS. SUPERVISORS THIS IS A
8 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PLEASE CONVENE AN EMERGENCY MEETING
9 THIS WEEK AND ACT WITH URGENT --

10

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

12

13 **CLAUDETTE CONTRERAS:** HI, MY NAME IS CLAUDETTE CONTRERAS I'M A
14 RESIDENT OF EL SERENO AND I'M PART OF EL SERINO NEIGHBORS.
15 WE'RE HERE BECAUSE WE HAVE OBVIOUSLY ALL THE REAL QUESTIONS,
16 QUESTIONS LIKE IS OUR HOME SAFE TO LIVE IN AND WHAT DOES
17 REENTRY REQUIRE? WHAT CLEANING VERIFIED BY WHO? IS THE FOOD IN
18 OUR HOMES SAFE TO EAT? IN OUR REFRIGERATORS, IN OUR CABINETS,
19 IN OUR GARDENS? OR WAS IT CONTAMINATED AND CONTAMINATING OUR
20 BODIES? ARE OUR MEDICATIONS AND VITAMINS SAFE? DO WE CONSUME
21 THEM? DO WE THROW THEM AWAY? WE HAVE REAL QUESTIONS THAT WE
22 ASK AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE. ARE OUR CLOTHES, OUR CHILDREN'S
23 BEDDINGS, OUR FURNITURE SAFE WHEN THERE'S HOMES THAT DON'T
24 HAVE PROPER VENTILATION, WHICH A LOT OF THE HOMES, I LIVE IN
25 AN OLDER HOME IN EAST L.A., YOU CAN'T OPEN YOUR WINDOWS, YOU



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SUPERVISORS

1 CAN'T VENTILATE PROPERLY. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR US AND WHO'S
2 GOING TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS IN REAL TIME? THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MIKITSE LERERA AND I'M
7 HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE NEED A MANDATORY EVACUATION AS A RESULT
8 OF THIS FIRE. I LIVE BEHIND EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE AND I'M
9 ASTHMATIC. AS I STAND HERE IN FRONT OF YOU ALL TODAY, I'M LEFT
10 WITH ONGOING LUNG AND BACK PAIN, HEADACHES, NOSEBLEEDS, AND
11 THE QUESTION OF WHY THIS ISN'T BEING TREATED LIKE AN
12 EMERGENCY. THE EXPOSURE TO THESE GASES AND AMMONIA HAVE LEFT
13 US WITH QUESTIONS ON WHY. THE AIR PURIFIERS THAT ARE BEING
14 DISTRIBUTED CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH AND CAN'T FILTER OUT THESE
15 GASES. I EXPERIENCED THAT FIRSTHAND AS I WENT TO THE RED CROSS
16 IN NEED OF FRESH AIR. THESE N95 AND N100 MASKS DON'T SUPPORT
17 IN REMOVING THESE GASES. WE NEED RESOURCES LONG-TERM. DR.
18 DAVIS, PLEASE UNLOCK THESE RESOURCES AND WE'RE ASKING FOR
19 UTILITY RELIEF, FOR RENTERS RELIEF, FOR MORTGAGE RELIEF. THIS
20 IS A CRISIS. WE NEED SUPPORT NOW. THIS.

21

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

23

24 **SALMA PEREZ:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SALMA PEREZ. I
25 AM A RESIDENT OF EL SERENO. I ALSO PROVIDE CARETAKING TO MY



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SUPERVISORS

1 GRANDFATHER, WHO IS 94, 95, AND I'M HERE TO ADVOCATE ON HIS
2 BEHALF, WHO SPENDS A LOT OF HIS TIME IN THE RESIDENT IN EL
3 SERENO. WE DEMAND THAT THERE'S AN EVACUATION ORDER FOR ALL THE
4 RESIDENTS AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS. WE ALSO ARE HERE TO
5 ADVOCATE FOR FREE BLOOD LEAD TESTING AND HEALTH SURVEILLANCE.
6 I PERSONALLY HAVE SEEN SOMEONE ON SOCIAL MEDIA WHO IS PREGNANT
7 WHO LIVES RIGHT DOWN THE STREET FROM THE WAREHOUSE. AND SO
8 THOSE ARE THE KIND OF FOLKS THAT I'M THINKING ABOUT. WE ALSO
9 ASK THAT EVERYTHING IS GIVEN IN THREE LANGUAGES OR MORE. I
10 BELIEVE IF THERE'S MORE THAN 20 FAMILIES WHO SPEAK IN A
11 SPECIFIC LANGUAGE, WE SHOULD BE PROVIDING ADVISORY NOTICES,
12 MONITORING, RELEASES, CLAIMS, DOCUMENTS ISSUED IN ENGLISH,
13 SPANISH, AND MANDARIN, BUT ANY OTHER LANGUAGES AS WELL. WE'RE
14 ALSO HERE TO SAY THAT WE NEED UTILITY RELIEF AND WE NEED TO
15 RECOVER FROM --

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

18
19 **EZEQUIEL OLVERA:** HI. MY NAME IS EZEQUIEL OLVERA WITH EL SERENO
20 NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU FOR HAVING THIS DISCUSSION AND FOR ASKING
21 THESE MEMBERS TO ADDRESS OUR CONCERNS BY ASKING THESE AGENCIES
22 THE TOUGH QUESTIONS WE HAVE IN MIND. DR. FERRER SAID IT BEST,
23 DON'T BE AROUND THESE ODORS, AVOID THIS AREA, MAKE THIS MATTER
24 URGENT, AND EVACUATE THE AREA NOW. WE SHOULD NOT BE LIVING IN
25 THESE CONDITIONS. SUPERVISOR, YOU JUST READ FROM A LETTER



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SUPERVISORS

1 MAYOR BASS SENT OVER 48 HOURS AGO TO LINEAGE. SO THIS JUST
2 BOUGHT THEM LINEAGE 48 MORE HOURS. THIS IS WHAT WE MEAN BY
3 NEEDING UNIFIED COMMAND. THIS JUST GAVE LINEAGE 48 HOURS, AND
4 FOR DR. DAVIS, WE ASKED THAT, YOU CALLED US IN NUISANCE ODORS,
5 WE ASKED THAT YOU BE CLEAR WITH THE PLUME PATH WHERE IT'S
6 TRAVELING TO AND WHERE THE WIND BLOWS BECAUSE IT'S GOING ALL
7 THE WAY TO EL SERENO'S. THE HIGHER YOU ARE, THE MORE YOU FEEL
8 IT.

9

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

11

12 **IRENE GONZALEZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

13

14 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS IRENE GONZALEZ
15 AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN. I LIVE HALF A MILE FROM
16 THE TOXIC FIRE. EVER SINCE THE 17TH OF JUNE, MY FAMILY AND I
17 HAVE BEGUN TO EXPERIENCE SYMPTOMS SUCH AS HEADACHES AND
18 STOMACH PAIN, EYE IRRITATION, UNBEARABLE PAIN, AND IT'S
19 SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO EXPERIENCE. WE ARE
20 EXPERIENCING, BECAUSE WE ARE BREATHING THE AIR WHEN THE
21 WINDOWS ARE OPEN, WE'RE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY BREATHING.
22 WE'RE ASKING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EVACUATION. WE ASK THAT YOU
23 WOULD USE YOUR AUTHORITY RIGHT NOW TO BE ABLE TO DECLARE OUR
24 HOMES UNINHABITABLE AND TO BE ABLE TO MAKE US SAFE THROUGH
25 EVACUATION. SO PLEASE ANALYZE HONESTLY WHAT THESE GASES ARE



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SUPERVISORS

1 REALLY ALL ABOUT AND CALL RIGHT NOW A MEETING ON AN EMERGENCY
2 BASIS. AND PLEASE ACT WITH A STATE OF EMERGENCY.

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

5
6 **LISA DUARTE:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LISA
7 DUARTE. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, BUT I'M A
8 LONG TIME COMMUNITY ADVOCATE FOR OVER TWO DECADES FOR PEOPLE
9 WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE I'M
10 ACTUALLY SOMEBODY WHO WAS IMPACTED BY THIS TRAGEDY. I
11 UNFORTUNATELY I'M RECENTLY DIAGNOSED WITH END STAGE KIDNEY
12 FAILURE AND I'M A LONG COVID SURVIVOR. I SELF-IDENTIFIED TO MY
13 SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE AND I ASKED FOR SUPPORT, HELP, RESOURCES,
14 A HUMIDIFIER AND THE RESPONSE FROM MY THREE TOUCH POINTS WITH
15 THE OFFICE WAS, WE'LL GET BACK TO YOU, WE'LL PUT YOUR NAME ON
16 THE LIST. UNFORTUNATELY, I WASN'T ABLE, BECAUSE OF MY HEALTH
17 CONDITIONS, TO GO OUT AND STAND IN LONG LINES IN HEAT WITH MY
18 HEALTH CONDITION. I WAS FORCED TO SELF-EVACUATE WITH MY FAMILY
19 AND MY PETS. MY DAUGHTER AND I HAVE BEEN FEELING THESE
20 SYMPTOMS OF NAUSEA, HEADACHES, JUST NOT FEELING WELL. MY
21 DAUGHTER HAS HAD A COUGH SINCE THE FIRE STARTED AND I'M A
22 PARENT OF TWO CHILDREN.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SOMEBODY ON MY STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU
2 NOW.

3
4 **VIRGEN ZARATE:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

5
6 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VIRGEN ZARATE
7 AND I LIVE IN EAST LOS ANGELES, CLOSE TO WHERE THE FIRE
8 OCCURRED STARTING ON JUNE 17TH. SINCE THAT TIME, WE HAVE BEEN
9 DEALING WITH A HORRIBLE SITUATION AND THE SMELL IS UNBEARABLE.
10 WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GO OUT, WE'RE NOT ABLE TO GO OUT FOR WALKS
11 OUTSIDE OF OUR HOME. THIS SMELL IS REALLY BAD. I ALSO HAVE
12 FOUR CHILDREN AND NOW THAT WE ARE ON VACATION I JUST HAVE THEM
13 ENCLOSED AT HOME. WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GO OUT, AND SO HONESTLY,
14 WE NEED YOU TO EVACUATE US ALREADY. WE ARE NOT ABLE TO OPEN
15 THE WINDOWS EITHER. IT'S SUCH A HORRIBLE SMELL. IT SMELLS AS
16 IF IT WAS A DEAD ANIMAL. AND WE DON'T HAVE THE DESIRE TO COOK
17 OR TO EAT EITHER. AND HONESTLY, THE AIR FILTERS DON'T HELP A
18 LOT. THE SMELL JUST KEEPS GETTING STRONGER. AND THAT'S IT.
19 THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **ALMA MARQUEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ALMA MARQUEZ. I'M A RESIDENT
24 OF MONTEREY PARK AND A PROUD PARTNER OF ALL OF THE LEADERS WHO
25 HAVE SPOKEN TO YOU IN ADDITION TO THE 30 OTHER ORGANIZATIONS



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND CIVIC AND CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS WHO SIGNED ON TO THE LETTER
2 THAT WE SENT DR. DAVIS AND THAT WE PROVIDED TO ALL OF YOU AND
3 YOUR OFFICES AS OF YESTERDAY ASKING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY
4 MEETING TO ACTUALLY HAVE MORE THAN A MINUTE TO DISCUSS WHAT'S
5 HAPPENED. AND I HOPE YOU FEEL AS INDIGNANT ABOUT WHAT IS
6 HAPPENING IN OUR COUNTRY, IN OUR COUNTY, UNDER YOUR WATCH. AND
7 I REALLY HOPE THAT YOU TAKE THIS AS A MATTER OF CRISIS. ONE,
8 WITHOUT A MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER, WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCESS
9 THE INSURANCE THAT WE'VE COVERED AND WE'VE PAID BECAUSE THEY
10 WON'T ALLOW US TO GET ALE COVERAGE. SO WE ASK YOU, WE PLEAD,
11 IF I HAVE TO BEG, I WILL BEG FOR YOU TO ISSUE A MANDATORY
12 EVACUATION ORDER TODAY AND --

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

15
16 **BERTHA LARIOS:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

17
18 **INTERPRETER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BERTA LARIOS AND
19 I'M HERE BECAUSE I LIVE IN EAST LOS ANGELES RIGHT IN FRONT OF
20 WHERE THE FIRE WAS ON JUNE 17TH. SO I AM CONCERNED ABOUT MY
21 CHILDREN'S HEALTH. I HAVE FOUR KIDS. I AM WORRIED ABOUT THEIR
22 WELL-BEING, ABOUT MY FAMILY. WE NEED TO BE EVACUATED. YOU NEED
23 TO HELP US ALREADY. IT'S NOT POSSIBLE FOR US TO CONTINUE
24 LIVING THERE. MY CHILDREN ARE SUFFERING WITH HEADACHE, PAIN,
25 NAUSEA, AND IT IS NOT FAIR FOR THEM TO BE LIVING THIS. WE DO



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE THE AIR PURIFIERS ON, BUT THAT DOESN'T HELP BECAUSE THE
2 SMELL IS VERY STRONG. SO THIS SMELL, IT IS SO STRONG IT ENTERS
3 IN THROUGH THE WINDOWS, IT GOES THE LIVING ROOM, IN THE
4 BATHROOMS, ALL OF THE ROOMS. WE NEED A SOLUTION NOW. WE NEED
5 TO BE EVACUATED BECAUSE WE HAVE CHILDREN, WE HAVE ADULTS, WE
6 HAVE PEOPLE WITH ASTHMA, OTHERS WITH HEALTH CONDITIONS. AND
7 THAT'S IT.

8

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

10

11 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT, SO JUST IN SHORT, IT WOULD HAVE
12 BEEN MORE EFFECTIVE HAD YOU HAD ALL OF THE EXPERTS STILL
13 SITTING HERE LISTENING TO THE PEOPLE THAT WERE TESTIFYING, YOU
14 SEE. AS PROTECTLA.COM, YEAH, THAT YOU TRIED SO HARD FOR ME NOT
15 TO PUT UP WHILE THEY WERE SPEAKING. YOU GOT TO TAKE THESE
16 TESTIMONIES SERIOUSLY. THERE'S TOO MUCH TRAGEDY THAT'S BEEN
17 HAPPENING WITH THESE FIRES AND SLOW RESPONSES. VERY SLOW
18 RESPONSES. SOME PEOPLE CAME HERE FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME, AND
19 SOME PEOPLE ALREADY KNOW THE INCOMPETENCY OF THE RESPONSE TIME
20 WHEN IT COMES TO L.A. COUNTY AND L.A. CITY TRAGEDIES. I'M JUST
21 SAYING, IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A PANEL OF EXPERTS, ESPECIALLY
22 BARBARA FERRER, THEY NEED TO SIT HERE AND LOOK INTO THE EYES
23 OF EVERY PERSON AND REALLY EVEN PRETEND FOR A MINUTE THAT THEY
24 CARE BEFORE THEY WALK OFF TO THE BACK HAVING LUNCH SOMEWHERE.
25 SO LET'S HOPEFULLY THAT EVERYBODY CAN GET HELP BECAUSE I TRUST



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE COUNTY VERY WELL.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THAT
4 CONCLUDES PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

5

6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM A1 IS BEFORE
7 YOU.

8

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

11

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

13

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

15

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

18

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

20

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

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

5

6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE.

7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

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

10

11 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION
12 CARRIES. PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO GENERAL PUBLIC
13 COMMENT. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
14 WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS
15 IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
16 SUBJECT MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION, BUT NOT ON
17 ITEMS ON THE MEETING AGENDA. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING
18 US REMOTELY, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE
19 ONLINE, OR PRESS STAR 3 IF ON THE TELEPHONE. WE WILL NOW CALL
20 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL
21 TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS. MANUEL ALEJANDRO POLANCA, RAYMOND
22 GARCIA, UMBERTO LARIOS, VIRGIN ZARATE, IRENE GONZALEZ, ROXANNE
23 NAZARIO, MEKITSILA HERRERA, SALMA PEREZ, CINDY BORBON, DR.
24 KRIDIKAL TRUTHBEY, E.O. AVERA, WE WILL NOW GO TO REMOTE
25 CALLERS. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, PLEASE BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** THANK YOU, I HAVE SENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THIS
3 BOARD THE SENATOR RAVELLI TRIBUNE ARTICLE NOTING THE PATHETIC
4 AND CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE OF THE FOUR DEMOCRAT BOARD MEMBERS'
5 CRIMINAL EFFORTS TO CLOSE MEN SENT FOR JAIL, WHILE CUTTING
6 FUNDING TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE COUNTY COURTS AND
7 FAILURE TO EXPAND THE COURTS AND D.A. TO ENABLE THEM TO TIMELY
8 PROCESS ALL THOSE UNDER THE LAW AS IS YOUR SWORN DUTY,
9 CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. YES, ALL OF THESE ACTS OF
10 CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY BROUGHT TO THIS BOARD
11 AND YES, IT WAS MYSELF. I WILL BE ASKING THE FEDS TO STEP IN
12 THE STATE BECAUSE CALDERSON AND THE ARCHULETA HAVE BEEN
13 COMPLICIT IN THESE CRIMINAL ACTS. YOU HAVE MONEY TO EXPAND
14 YOUR BOARD TO NINE MEMBERS BUT NOT TO DO TAKE CARE OF THE
15 CRIMINAL ENTERPRISE AND SEE JUSTICE AS THE DONE IN AMERICA,
16 THE AMERICAN WAY. THANK YOU.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER STARTING IN 323
19 AND ENDING IN 06, PLEASE BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN.

20

21 **SOFIA QUINONES:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. PLEASE BEGIN.

24

25 **SOFIA QUINONES:** I'M SOFIA QUINONES. I'M CALLING BECAUSE I AM



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 VERY CONCERNED REGARDING THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE BY THE L.A.
2 COUNTY BORDER SUPERVISORS IN DEALING WITH THE LEGACY SITES OF
3 CONTAMINATION ON THE EAST SIDE AND ALSO TO DEAL WITH THE TWO
4 ENVIRONMENTAL CATASTROPHES THAT RECENTLY HAPPENED THE 25,000
5 GALLONS OIL SPILL UNDER THE MINI-AGE COLD STORAGE FACILITY
6 ONGOING FIRE. TO BEGIN WITH, NONE OF THE HOSPITALS IN L.A.
7 COUNTY ARE ADDRESSING IN A UNIFORM WAY, THE RESPIRATORY
8 DISTRESS THAT OUR RESIDENTS ARE DEALING WITH. THE SIMPLE BLOOD
9 TESTS THAT YOU'VE BEEN ASKING US TO TAKE FOR YEARS ARE A LIE.
10 WE NEED BONE SCANNING MACHINES, AND THERE ARE NONE OF THEM IN
11 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO PROPERLY AND ADEQUATELY MEASURE THE
12 AMOUNT OF LEAD IN OUR BODY. BUT WE DO HAVE OUR DIALYSIS
13 CENTERS ALL AROUND L.A. COUNTY. WHY? BECAUSE WHEN THE LEAD
14 LEACHES INTO YOUR BONES, IT TAKES OUT YOUR KIDNEYS AND OTHER
15 ORGANS --

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER, YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED. PLEASE STATE
18 YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

19
20 **CHRISTY HERNANDEZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHRISTY
21 HERNANDEZ AND I'M A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS
22 ANGELES. I LIVE WITHIN A MILE OF THE LINEAGE WAREHOUSE TOXIC
23 FIRE, AND THIS ENVIRONMENTAL RAGE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS A
24 STATE OF EMERGENCY. HOWEVER, THE SENSE OF URGENCY IS FAR FROM
25 THAT OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY. L.A. COUNTY, YOU MUST DO BETTER,



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND DO RIGHT BY THE COMMUNITY, BY US. AIR PURIFIERS, FOOD,
2 WATER ARE TEMPORARY FIXES. WHEN WE ASKED FOR PURIFIERS, WE
3 WERE REFERRED TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS' OFFICE AND WERE ASKED TO
4 CALL BETWEEN 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. THE
5 COMMUNITY WAS EXPERIENCING EMERGENCY. TOXIC FUMES 24/7 FOR 8
6 DAYS. AND YET RESIDENTS HAD TO WORK AROUND YOUR BUSINESS HOURS
7 THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE AGAIN THIS IS NOT BEING TREATED AS STATE
8 OF EMERGENCY AND IT'S A CLEAR EXAMPLE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM
9 WE NEED LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS AIR PURIFIERS FOR EVERY HOUSEHOLD
10 YEAR-ROUND ELECTRIC BILL SUBSIDIES FOR USING THESE PURIFIERS
11 THROUGHOUT THE DAY. NO MORE WAREHOUSES IN OUR COMMUNITY.
12 CHAIR, YOU MENTIONED THAT THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY SHOULD RESPECT
13 OUR --

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER BEGINNING WITH 323
16 AND ENDING OF 06. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

17
18 **MEL BAILEY:** OKAY. CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES.

21
22 **MEL BAILEY:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THIS IS MEL BAILEY FOR ITEM 7 AND
23 GENERAL COMMENTS. I JUST WANTED TO COMMEND THE BOARD
24 SUPERVISORS. I THINK IT WAS REALLY GOOD ADDITION TO ADD A LIST
25 OF THE CAC, THE CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE THERE TO HELP. I THINK



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT WAS A REALLY NICE TEST. SECONDLY, MADAM CHAIR, I
2 RESPECTFULLY ASK IF YOU'RE GOING TO, IF ANYBODY, ANYBODY ON
3 THE I.C.E. IS GOING TO SPEAK IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE THAT YOU AT
4 LEAST TRANSLATED, I THINK IT'S PROFESSIONALLY INAPPROPRIATE
5 AND IT'S UNFAIR FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT SPEAK FOREIGN LANGUAGES
6 IF YOU BLURT OUT SOMETHING. OTHER PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S
7 BEING SAID. AND THEN THE LAST THING IS, ALTHOUGH 4TH OF JULY
8 HAS PASSED, WE TALKED ABOUT AIR QUALITY, AND AIR QUALITY IN
9 DISTRICT 2, I'M SURE IN OTHER DISTRICTS.

10

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

15

16 **SINETTA FARLEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SINETTA FARLEY. I'M
17 PRESIDENT OF EAST RANCHO DOMINGUEZ NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.
18 WE'RE HERE TODAY TO REPRESENT OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE PARKING
20 ENFORCEMENT. IT HAS REALLY HELPED OUR COMMUNITY. BUT TODAY
21 WE'RE HERE FOR ANOTHER ISSUE. SOME TIME AGO YOU AS THE BOARD
22 APPROVED AN ORDINANCE AND THAT GAVE THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
23 OPPORTUNITY THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. WE
24 ARE HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO ADD ADDITIONAL FUNDING SO THAT
25 THOSE OFFICERS CAN REALLY DO A GOOD JOB. THE INFORMATION THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 WE ARE RECEIVING IS THAT THEY DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO
2 DO OUR JOB FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND OTHER COMMUNITIES.

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

5
6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHIREEN MCFAUL.
7 I SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE EAST RANCHO DE
8 MIGA'S NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. ONE OF THE MOST IMMEDIATE
9 PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS IS UNAUTHORIZED PARKING ASSOCIATED WITH
10 STREET VENDING. VEHICLES OFTEN PARK IN RED ZONES, BLOCK FIRE
11 HYDRANTS, PARK ON THE SIDEWALK, AND EVEN STOP IN THE CENTER
12 MEDIAN ALONG ATLANTIC AVENUE. THESE ACTIONS CREATE UNSAFE
13 STREETS AND CONGESTION, REDUCE VISIBILITY FOR DRIVERS, AND
14 PLACE PEDESTRIANS AT RISK. PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WORK
15 REALLY HARD, BUT THEY SIMPLY DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES FOR
16 THE VOLUME OF VIOLATIONS OCCURRING IN THE EVENING. AGAIN, THIS
17 IS SIMPLY NOT AN ENFORCEMENT ISSUE, IT'S A FUNDING ISSUE. THE
18 COUNTY MUST ALLOCATE ADEQUATE RESOURCES TO ENFORCE THE
19 ORDINANCE THAT IT HAD ADOPTED. WE NEED TO COME UP WITH A
20 SOLUTION WHERE EVERYONE WINS. THANK YOU.

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

23
24 **ALBERTO VASQUEZ:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]
25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALBERTO
2 DOMINGUEZ. I'M ALBERTO AND I AM AN OWNER OF A BARBER SHOP HERE
3 IN RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. RIGHT NEXT TO MY BUSINESS THERE IS A
4 STREET VENDOR THAT REGULARLY CLOSSES OFF THE SIDEWALK AREA. I
5 DO RESPECT THAT PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO EARN A LIVING, BUT THE
6 TRAFFIC THAT THIS HAS GENERATED IN THE WAY THAT IS AFFECTING
7 THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS REALLY INTERFERING WITH PEOPLE'S WAY OF
8 LIFE. PEOPLE HAVE A VERY HARD TIME FINDING PARKING. THE WHOLE
9 AREA GETS CONGESTED THIS DOESN'T JUST AFFECT MY BARBER SHOP IT
10 AFFECTS THE WHOLE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. I WOULD ASK THE SUPERVISOR
11 TO PLEASE LISTEN TO OWNERS OF SMALL BUSINESSES AND PLEASE FIND
12 A SOLUTION FOR US I ASKED YOU WOULD PLEASE FIND A SOLUTION FOR
13 US. SO THAT ALL OF US WOULD BE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM IT. THANK
14 YOU SO MUCH.

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

17
18 **ROXANNE AZARIO:** HELLO AGAIN MY NAME IS ROXANNE AZARIO. I DO
19 LIVE IN SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF SYLMAR
20 WHICH IS A VERY HIGH IMPACTED FIRE COMMUNITY BUT I WANT TO
21 TALK ABOUT THE COMMUNITY THAT'S BEING DIRECTLY AFFECTED WITH
22 THE LINEAGE FIRE. FOR EXAMPLE, THERE ARE 750,000 RESIDENTS
23 WITHIN FIVE MILES. SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT EVACUATING, IT'S NOT
24 JUST WHO'S ACROSS THE STREET. THIS INCLUDES 15 DIFFERENT
25 CITIES, NEIGHBORHOODS, EAST L.A., SOUTHGATE, BOYLE HEIGHTS,



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SUPERVISORS

1 MONTEBELLO, MONTEREY PARK, BELL GARDENS, BELL, MAYWOOD,
2 CUDAHY, COMMERCE, VERNON, MONTEREY PARK, AGAIN, EL SERENO,
3 LINCOLN HEIGHTS, AND DOWNTOWN L.A. ALL OF THESE AREAS ARE
4 WITHIN A FIVE MILE RADIUS OF THE FIRE JUST BECAUSE THESE
5 HOUSES DIDN'T BURN DOWN. AGAIN, DOESN'T MEAN THAT THERE'S NOT
6 TOXIC, DESTRUCTIVE TRAUMA BEING CAUSED TO THESE FAMILIES.
7 THESE KIDS CAN ENJOY THEIR SUMMER BEING LOCKED INSIDE THEIR
8 HOUSES ALL SUMMER. THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **RAYMOND GARCIA:** RAYMOND E. GARCIA, LIVING MAN. IN ORDER TO
13 RECONCILE THE PAST AND PRESENT STATES, I AS AUTHOR OF MY
14 STORY, I MOVE BY 1, THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD, 2, FIRSTHAND
15 EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, AND 3, SOUND MIND AND MEMORY OF THE
16 WHOLE TRUTH OF THE MATTER TO PERSONALLY COMPOSE THIS PEACEABLE
17 PALEOGRAPHIC MEMOIR TO DECLARE ONCE AND FOR ALL THAT ONE IS
18 ALL PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR FROM FERTILIZATION TO LAST
19 BREATH, NEVER TO BE PRESUMED AT WAR OVER A VIOLENTLY CONTRIVED
20 PARTICULAR END. ONE'S UNIQUE GENESIS, KNOWN SCIENTIFICALLY AS
21 FERTILIZATION, RELIGIOUSLY AS CREATION, IS THE POINT WHERE
22 DARWIN MEETS GOD, AN ACT OF GOD, ORIGIN OF THE SPECIES, AND
23 EXTRATERRITORIAL MERIT AND COGNITUM, NATIVITY RESULTING IN A
24 PERFECT QUINTESSENTIAL NOAH'S ARK MEMBERSHIP PROGRESSING
25 WITHOUT SUNDER ALPHA TO OMEGA HOLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATURE



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1 SEAMLESS EVOLUTIONARY DUE PROCESS AB OVO I AM AS SPIRIT ALWAYS
2 IN DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH ONE'S ARK MEMBERSHIP FOR I AND MY
3 FATHER ARE ONE COMPLETE 46TH CHROMOSOME SUPREME BEING DUE TO
4 THE FAULTLESS LAWS OF NATURE AND NATURE'S GOD UNTIL ONE'S
5 PARTICULAR MONOZYGOTIC MARITIME MONARCHY IS FORMALLY DEMISED
6 AT BIRTH BE THE CUTTING --

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

9

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

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12 **INTERPRETER:** SO GREETINGS, ESTEEMED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
13 SUPERVISOR HOLLY AND LINDSEY, JANICE, KATHRYN AND CHAIR HILDA
14 AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, EDGAR AND ALL OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. YOU TRULY REPRESENTING THE LEADERSHIP
16 OF THIS L.A. COUNTY. I WOULD LOVE TO ASK ONE MINUTE MORE OF
17 TIME TO THE CHAIR, HILDA SOLIS, IS POSSIBLE. MY NAME IS MANUEL
18 ALEJANDRO POLANCO. I AM A LAWYER ON POLITICAL SCIENCE. CEO OF
19 INDIGO GROUP. I AM ORIGINALLY FROM VENEZUELA. I WOULD LOVE TO
20 TRULY SAY THANK YOU FOR THE PEOPLE FROM MY COUNTRY, VENEZUELA,
21 FROM SAYING THE FIREFIGHTERS TO MY COUNTRY. AND AS WELL, I
22 WOULD LOVE TO THANK YOU FOR THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMANITY, FOR
23 YOU ARE TRULY LEADERS. AND THIS IS THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN MY
24 COUNTRY DIE, AND YOUR FIREFIGHTERS SAVE THOUSANDS, HUNDREDS OF
25 LIVES TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF MY COUNTRY. 27 YEARS AGO, WE



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1 LIVE IN A DICTATORSHIP. THIS DICTATORSHIP MOVING THOUSAND,
2 MILLIONS OF PEOPLE FROM MY COUNTRY AND THIS FOR THAT REASON WE
3 RECEIVE PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY BUT NOT ONLY US WE RECEIVE
4 PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE, ARMENIA, RUSSIA AND MEXICO AND WE HAVING
5 A DECLARATION THAT WAS A COUPLE YEARS AGO. ON THE 4TH OF APRIL
6 OF 2023, I HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK HERE IN THIS BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISOR WHEN JANICE WAS THE CHAIR. I TRULY WANT TO REQUEST
8 A MEETING WITH EVERY SINGLE OF YOU TO SPEAK ABOUT THE FUTURE
9 OF THE YOUTH IMMIGRANTS AND 1ST GENERATION AMERICANS IN THIS
10 COUNTY TO PROVIDE TOOLS. NOW I HAVE AN ORGANIZATION THAT WE
11 ARE WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT --

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

15
16 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** SO. OKAY. THIS IS ON. OH, NOW IT'S ON.
17 OKAY, THANK YOU. SO I WANT TO TALK TO, 10 SECONDS, LA-HOP. SO,
18 WHEN I SPOKE TO YOU ABOUT THE DEFUNDING OF, OF LAHSA OF STAFF,
19 IT WASN'T TO MELEE ON SOMEONE, RIGHT? SO MS. JANICE HAHN, I
20 KNOW YOU GOT REALLY DEFENSIVE THAT DAY AND SAY, I'M NOT GOING
21 TO LET THAT HAPPEN. WELL, THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS. WHEN YOU
22 CONTACT LA-HOP, OKAY, AND YOU PUT THE REQUEST IN FOR A
23 HOMELESS PERSON, THIS IS THEIR RESPONSE. THE FIRST OUTREACH
24 ATTEMPT WILL OCCUR A FEW DAYS AFTER THE REQUEST IS RECEIVED.
25 ON AVERAGE, LA-HOP REQUESTS ARE COMPLETED WITHIN SEVEN DAYS,



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1 BUT MAY TAKE LONGER. THIS IS A PROBLEM. WHY WOULD YOU CALL
2 SOMEBODY TO GET HELP FOR SOMEONE WHO'S HOMELESS, AND IT WILL
3 COME A FEW DAYS LATER. BUT WHAT I DO WANT TO GIVE, I ONLY GOT
4 A FEW SECONDS LEFT, YOU HAVE SALVADOR, ABEL, AND CESAR THAT'S
5 SITTING THERE, AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR AT LEAST
6 STARTING SOMETHING NEW AND TRAINING THEM IN A WAY THAT THEY
7 CAN BE EFFECTIVE, RIGHT? IF I CAN GET 10 SECONDS.

8

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

11

12 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL WE WILL NOW PROCEED
13 WITH THE ADJOURNMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ON. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL --

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** MADAM CHAIR I JUST WANTED TO
18 ACKNOWLEDGE I KNOW ONE OF THE SPEAKERS ACKNOWLEDGED OUR L.A.
19 COUNTY USA, OUR TEAM AND USA TOO. I WAS ABLE TO GREET THEM AS
20 THEY CAME HOME LAST NIGHT AND IT WAS A TRULY MOVING EVENING. I
21 JUST WANTED TO THANK HIM FOR THAT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND I WILL
22 MAKE SURE THAT OUR TEAM IS MEETING WITH HIM AND I KNOW THAT
23 YOU HAVE A PLAN FOR OUR BOARD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM AS WELL.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL BE RECOGNIZING THEM HERE ON THE



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1 BOARD WHEN THE NEXT MEETING. THANK YOU.

2

3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES, I WAS GOING TO SAY SOMETHING EARLIER,
4 WE'RE SO PROUD OF THEM, TO THINK THERE ARE TWO INTERNATIONAL
5 SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAMS, TWO, AND WE'RE ONE OF THEM. IT'S
6 QUITE AMAZING. IT WAS VERY NICE TO HEAR THE COMMENTS ABOUT
7 VENEZUELA AND THEM GOING OVER THERE. AND THEY MADE SOME
8 AMAZING RESCUES. THANK YOU FOR BEING THERE LAST NIGHT TO GREET
9 THEM WHEN THEY CAME HOME. THAT'S WONDERFUL.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

12

13 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE
14 ADJOURNMENTS NEXT.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL GO TO ADJOURNMENTS 1, 2, 3, 4,
17 AND 5. SO I WILL GO FIRST. I HAVE ONE MEMBER. I MOVE THAT WHEN
18 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF MARIA DELARA, A
19 BELOVED COMMUNITY MEMBER OF THE GREATER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.
20 MARIA GREW UP IN MEXICALI, MEXICO, WHERE SHE PICKED COTTON IN
21 THE FIELDS FROM AGE 6 TO 11. SHE LATER IMMIGRATED TO LOS
22 ANGELES BY HERSELF WITH HER THREE DAUGHTERS. DETERMINED AND
23 HARD-WORKING, MARIA SUPPORTED HER FAMILY THROUGH JOBS LIKE
24 CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSE CLEANING. SHE CONTINUED HER JOURNEY BY
25 ATTENDING EAST L.A. COLLEGE AND ENTERING THE REAL ESTATE



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1 FIELD. SHE EARNED MANY AWARDS WHILE HELPING FIRST-TIME HOME
2 BUYERS PURCHASE A HOME. BUT SHE BUILT A LEGACY OF RESILIENCE,
3 SERVICE, AND PERSEVERANCE. BUT ABOVE ALL, MARIA WAS PROUD TO
4 RAISE THREE SUCCESSFUL DAUGHTERS. JENNIFER, WHO IS A MANAGER
5 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, STEPHANIE, WHO IS A RETIRED POLICE
6 OFFICER, AND JESSICA, WHO IS A DOCTOR IN RESEARCH IN THE
7 MEDICAL FIELD. MARIA BECAME AN EXAMPLE OF STRENGTH AND LOVE
8 FOR HER FAMILY. SHE SURVIVED BY HER THREE DAUGHTERS AND FIVE
9 GRANDCHILDREN. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.

10
11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

12
13 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT, MADAM CHAIR. THANK
14 YOU VERY MUCH. COLLEAGUES, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT
15 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TWO VERY YOUNG CHERISHED COMMUNITY
16 MEMBERS WHOSE LIVES WERE TRAGICALLY TAKEN IN A YET ANOTHER
17 SENSELESS ACT OF GUN VIOLENCE. ERIC WASHINGTON AND MEAH
18 BORDENAVE-JENKINS. THEIR PASSING ON THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY
19 HAS LEFT A PROFOUND VOID FELT DEEPLY BY THEIR FAMILIES,
20 FRIENDS, AND THE BROADER LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY. ERIC, A
21 BELOVED YOUNG MAN, DEVOTED SON, BROTHER, AND FRIEND WAS KILLED
22 AT THE AGE OF 37. HE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL
23 SCIENCE FROM EL CAMINO COLLEGE IN 2011, FOLLOWED BY A
24 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN POLI SCI WITH A CONCENTRATION IN
25 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS IN 2014,



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1 AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM GRAMLING
2 STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2018. HIS GRADUATE STUDIES STRENGTHENED
3 THE LEADERSHIP AND POLICY SKILLS HE CARRIED INTO HIS PUBLIC
4 SERVICE. WHILE AT GRAMLING, HE BECAME A PROUD MEMBER OF ALPHA
5 PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY INCORPORATED. ERIC DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO
6 SERVING AND UPLIFTING HIS COMMUNITY. HE JOINED THE OFFICE OF
7 THEN CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLYMEMBER MIKE GIBSON AS A FIELD
8 REPRESENTATIVE. HE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE WATTS GANG
9 TASK FORCE, CENTERING HIS WORK ON COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND
10 VIOLENCE INTERVENTION. HIS SERVICE PLACED HIM DIRECTLY WHERE
11 HE BELIEVED HE WAS MOST NEEDED, WORKING FAITHFULLY IN THE
12 NEIGHBORHOODS HE SOUGHT TO PROTECT. MOST RECENTLY, ERIC SERVED
13 AS A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER FOR HACLA, THE HOUSING
14 AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE CREATED
15 OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES, INCLUDING THROUGH HIS
16 LEADERSHIP OF HACLA'S WORLD CUP YOUTH TOURNAMENT. ERIC'S
17 LEGACY LIVES ON IN THE COUNTLESS LIVES HE TOUCHED THROUGH HIS
18 SERVICE, HIS COMPASSION, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO HIS
19 COMMUNITY. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED AND FOREVER CHERISHED BY
20 HIS MOTHER, TINA JOHNSON, HIS FAMILY, HIS FRATERNITY BROTHERS,
21 HIS FRIENDS, AND THE MANY COMMUNITIES HE DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO
22 SUPPORTING. WE ALSO HONOR THE LIFE OF MEAH BORDNAVE-JENKINS.
23 MIA WAS A VERY YOUNG WOMAN WHOSE LIFE REFLECTED PROMISE,
24 PURPOSE, AND A DEEP COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE SHE WAS BUILDING.
25 SHE WAS 19 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS A SOPHOMORE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF



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1 NEVADA LAS VEGAS STUDYING TO BECOME A NURSE WITH A NEONATAL
2 FOCUS. SHE WANTED TO BE A TRAVEL NURSE SO SHE COULD SEE THE
3 WORLD. A PATH THAT SPOKE TO HER COMPASSION AND THE CARE SHE
4 HOPED TO EXTEND TO OTHERS. SHE WAS HERE FOR THE HOLIDAY
5 WEEKEND TO VISIT HER GRANDMOTHER. HER FAMILY DESCRIBED HER AS,
6 " FULL OF LIFE, VERY COMPASSIONATE, IN THE CHURCH, VERY
7 GIVING, SOMEONE WHO WOULD HELP ANYONE IN NEED." THESE WORDS
8 SHARED BY HER MOTHER EBONY AND HER LOVED ONES REFLECT THE
9 WARMTH MIA CARRIED AND THE MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS SHE BUILT IN
10 HER VERY SHORT 19 YEARS. ALTHOUGH HER PASSING OCCURRED AMID A
11 BROADER TRAGEDY THAT SHOOK THE COMMUNITY, TODAY WE HOLD CLOSE
12 THE LIGHT MEAH BROUGHT, THE HOPES SHE PURSUED AND THE PROFOUND
13 LOSS FELT BY ALL WHO KNEW AND LOVED HER. SHE LEAVES BEHIND A
14 LEGACY ROOTED IN LOVE AND THE FUTURE SHE WAS SO DETERMINED TO
15 CREATE FOR HERSELF. SO AS WE HONOR BOTH ERIC AND MEAH, WE
16 EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS
17 AND ALL WHO ARE GRIEVING THESE HEARTBREAKING LOSSES.

18
19 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WE ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE A SECOND
20 TRAGIC GUN SHOOTING THAT HAPPENED AGAIN IN THE CITY OF COMPTON
21 THE SAME WEEKEND AT 132ND AND GRAND D AND THE LOSS OF 28-YEAR-
22 OLD THADDEUS CLARK, A RESIDENT OF RIALTO, CALIFORNIA. IN THE
23 PURSUIT OF HEALING AND JUSTICE, WE ASK THAT ANYONE WITH
24 INFORMATION RELATED TO THE INCIDENTS IS ENCOURAGED, IS URGED
25 TO CONTACT THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE HOMICIDE



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1 BUREAU AT 323-890-5500. THOSE WISHING TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS MAY
2 CALL CRIMESTOPPERS AT 800-222-TIPS. AND IN THAT VEIN, I THINK
3 IT WAS VERY STRIKING TO HEAR ERIC'S MOTHER IN THE HEIGHT OF
4 HER DEEP SHOCK AND SORROW MAKE COMMENTS AT A VIGIL YESTERDAY
5 WHERE SHE TALKED ABOUT WE DON'T GET TO CHOOSE WHEN WE SHOW UP
6 FOR EACH OTHER IN COMMUNITY. THAT WHEN OUR OWN FAMILIES ARE
7 IMPACTED, WE WANT OTHERS TO SHOW UP FOR US AND WE HAVE A
8 RESPONSIBILITY AS COMMUNITY TO SHOW UP FOR OTHERS IN ALL WAYS
9 ALL THE TIME. I THANK YOU ALL FOR ALLOWING ME TO ACKNOWLEDGE
10 THESE 2ND DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND I ASK THAT YOU JOIN ME IN
11 THEIR ADJOURNMENTS. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I MOVE THAT WHEN
16 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CLIVE DAVIS, A
17 LEGENDARY MUSIC EXECUTIVE AND VISIONARY WHOSE INFLUENCE SHAPED
18 GENERATIONS OF ARTISTS. CLIVE DAVIS PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 22ND
19 AT THE AGE OF 94. OVER A CAREER SPANNING MORE THAN SIX
20 DECADES, DAVIS DISCOVERED AND CHAMPIONED SOME OF THE MOST
21 ICONIC VOICES IN MUSIC. HIS REMARKABLE ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE
22 TALENT TRANSFORMED THE MUSIC INDUSTRY AND HELPED TO LAUNCH
23 COUNTLESS CAREERS. BOTH IN NEW YORK, BORN IN NEW YORK, DAVIS
24 SHARED A LONG-STANDING CONNECTION TO LOS ANGELES THROUGH THE
25 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY THAT DEFINES SO MUCH OF OUR REGION. FOR



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1 DECADES, HE WAS A FAMILIAR PRESENCE AT THE ANNUAL PRE-GRAMMY
2 GALA IN BEVERLY HILLS, BRINGING TOGETHER ARTISTS, PRODUCERS,
3 AND MUSIC LEADERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD TO CELEBRATE THE
4 CREATIVE SPIRIT THAT THRIVES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS PARTNER, GREG SCHREIFER, HIS FOUR CHILDREN,
6 FRED, DOUG, MITCHELL, AND LAUREN, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO
7 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. HIS LOSS IS DEEPLY FELT BY HIS FAMILY,
8 THE MUSIC COMMUNITY, AND THE COUNTLESS ARTISTS WHOSE LIVES AND
9 CAREERS WERE FOREVER CHANGED BY HIS VISION.

10
11 **TONY MELIA:** I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
12 IN MEMORY OF TONY MELIA. A DEDICATED COMMUNITY LEADER,
13 BUSINESSMAN, AND LONGTIME RESIDENT OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, ANTHONY
14 TONY F. MELIA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. AFTER MOVING TO
15 LOS ANGELES IN 1957, TONY BUILT A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN THE
16 INSURANCE INDUSTRY, FOUNDING THE NATIONAL BUSINESS INSURANCE
17 AGENCY IN 1968. HIS IMPACT EXTENDED FAR BEYOND BUSINESS AS HE
18 BECAME A DRIVING FORCE IN SHAPING WEST HOLLYWOOD THROUGH
19 DECADES OF CIVIC LEADERSHIP. HE SERVED TWICE AS PRESIDENT OF
20 THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HELPED TO LEAD THE
21 COMMUNITY'S SUCCESSFUL CITYHOOD EFFORT, AND WAS A FOUNDING
22 MEMBER OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU,
23 NOW KNOWN AS VISIT WEST HOLLYWOOD. FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES
24 REMEMBER HIM AS A GENEROUS MENTOR, A THOUGHTFUL LEADER, AND A
25 STEADFAST ADVOCATE WHOSE VISION HELPED TO SHAPE THE CITY INTO



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1 THE VIBRANT COMMUNITY IT IS TODAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MANY
2 NIECES AND NEPHEWS, EXTENDED FAMILY AND COUNTLESS FRIENDS
3 WHOSE LIVES HE TOUCHED THROUGH HIS KINDNESS, LEADERSHIP, AND
4 UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY. HIS LOSS IS DEEPLY
5 FELT THROUGHOUT WEST HOLLYWOOD AND BEYOND AND YOU CAN HEAR
6 READ MORE OF HIS STORY IN THE RECENTLY PUBLISHED WEHO STORIES
7 BOOK. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THOSE TWO ADJOURNMENTS. I ALSO KNEW
13 ERIC, WHO ALSO WORKED FOR COUNCIL DISTRICT 15 AS PART OF HIS
14 CAREER, BUT WHAT A GREAT OUTGOING, REALLY DEDICATED TO SERVICE
15 AND MAKING GOVERNMENT RELATIONS BETTER AMONGST THE DIFFERENT
16 LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT. AND I KNOW OUR ASSEMBLYMEMBER, MIKE
17 GIBSON, IS GRIEVING AS WELL. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR DOING
18 THOSE TODAY. WHAT JUST SUCH A TRAGEDY.

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND THEN I MOVE WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY. WE
21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHARLES CHUCK HANCHETT, WHO PASSED AWAY
22 RECENTLY. HE WAS 87. HE WAS A PROUD VETERAN AND DEDICATED
23 COMMUNITY LEADER WHOSE DECADES OF SERVICE LEFT A LASTING
24 IMPACT ON THE HARBOR AREA. CHUCK SERVED HONORABLY IN THE
25 UNITED STATES NAVY FROM 1958 TO 1960 BEFORE BUILDING



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1 SUCCESSFUL CAREERS IN THE JEWELRY AND REAL ESTATE INDUSTRIES.
2 HE WAS PERHAPS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS EXTRAORDINARY 40-YEAR
3 COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SERVICE THROUGH ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.
4 CHUCK HELD NUMEROUS LEADERSHIP ROLES WITH ROTARY CLUB,
5 INCLUDING SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF THE TORRANCE DEL AMO, THE
6 PALACE FERTIS SUNSET, AND THE SAN PEDRO ROTARY CLUBS. HE ALSO
7 SERVED AS ASSISTANT GOVERNOR FOR ROTARY DISTRICT 5280 AND
8 HELPED FOSTER INTERNATIONAL GOODWILL THROUGH ROTARY'S GROUP
9 STUDY EXCHANGE PROGRAM. HIS DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY ALSO
10 INCLUDED LEADERSHIP ROLES WITH THE YMCA OF SAN PEDRO, HARBOR
11 INTERFAITH SERVICES, AND THE SAN PEDRO PENINSULA HOSPITAL
12 FOUNDATION. HE'S PREDECEASED BY HIS FIRST WIFE, CLAUDIA, AND
13 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS CURRENT WIFE, ANGELA, HIS CHILDREN,
14 CATHERINE, TERESA, LISA, AND CHARLES, HIS BROTHER, JAMES, 14
15 GRANDCHILDREN AND 14 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. I FELT HONORED TO
16 KNOW CHUCK AND CLAUDIA IN MY EARLY YEARS IN SAN PEDRO. HE
17 REALLY HAS LEFT A LEGACY.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND THEN I MOVE WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY. WE
20 ADJOURN IN OUR MEMORY OF FRANK THOMPSON, JR. FRANK IS THE
21 FATHER OF MY DEAR FRIEND, JAKE THOMPSON. FRANK WAS BORN JULY
22 4TH, 1947, AND PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 29TH, JUST DAYS SHORT OF
23 HIS BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR. HE HONORABLY SERVED HIS COUNTRY IN THE
24 U.S. ARMY FROM 1969 TO 1971, WHERE HE WAS AWARDED NUMEROUS
25 COMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL AND THE PURPLE



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1 HEART. FRANK WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
2 OF EATONTON WHERE HE SERVED AS A DEACON. HE WAS A MEMBER OF
3 THE FIRST LEADERSHIP PUTNAM CLASS, A FORMER MEMBER OF EATONTON
4 KIWANIS CLUB, A VOLUNTEER COACH, BOARD MEMBER FOR PUTNAM
5 COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND A SUPPORTER OF GATEWOOD
6 SCHOOLS IN MORE WAYS THAN COULD POSSIBLY BE RECOUNTED. FRANK'S
7 GREATEST TREASURE IN LIFE WAS HIS FAMILY, AND NOTHING BROUGHT
8 HIM MORE JOY THAN BEING A GRANDPA. AS A DEVOTED HUSBAND,
9 FATHER, AND GRANDFATHER, HE WAS FIERCELY PROTECTIVE,
10 NURTURING, AND LOVING. FRANK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LAURA,
11 THEIR CHILDREN, JAKE THOMPSON, AND HUSBAND PETE SETTLEMAYER,
12 KATIE HANKS AND HUSBAND EDWIN, AND BEN THOMPSON AND WIFE
13 MELANIE AND GRANDCHILDREN AMELIA, CAROLINE, ADDIE, LULU AND
14 WALT. I WAS HONORED TO GET TO MEET FRANK WHEN HE CAME AND
15 VISITED JAKE AND PETE. AND I WAS, IT WAS, HE WAS JUST SUCH A
16 SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN. AND I ENJOYED HIS COMPANY SO MUCH AND I
17 KNOW HE'LL BE MISSED.

18
19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
20 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARIA DE JESUS MENDOZA, WHO WAS
21 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN TO EVERYONE AS LA CHUCHANA. SHE WAS BORN
22 ON FEBRUARY 24, 1935, IN MEXICO AND PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON
23 JULY 1ST IN BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA. DID I SAY THAT RIGHT? I
24 HOPE I DIDN'T HAVE A DEROGATORY WORD. IT'S CHUCHANA. BUT
25 HERE'S WHAT WE WANT TO KNOW IS MARIA WAS THE MOTHER OF TONY



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1 MENDOZA, WHO WAS A FORMER STATE SENATOR OF THE 32ND DISTRICT
2 AND WHO'S OUR ARTESIA CEMETERY DISTRICT GENERAL MANAGER. AND
3 MARIA WAS THE HEART AND SOUL OF HER FAMILY, A LOVING MOTHER,
4 GRANDMOTHER, GREAT GRANDMOTHER, GREAT, GREAT GRANDMOTHER,
5 SISTER, AUNT, AND FRIEND. MORE THAN ANYTHING, SHE WAS A HERO,
6 A ROCK, AND THE FOUNDATION THAT HELD GENERATIONS TOGETHER. AS
7 A DEVOTED SINGLE MOTHER, MARIA WORKED TIRELESSLY AND
8 SACRIFICED ENDLESSLY TO PROVIDE FOR AND RAISE HER 10 CHILDREN.
9 THROUGH DETERMINATION, STRENGTH, AND UNCONDITIONAL LOVE, SHE
10 BUILT A FAMILY ROOTED IN FAITH, RESILIENCE, AND COMPASSION.
11 MARIA HAD A SPIRIT UNLIKE ANY OTHER. SHE WAS FUNNY, SHE WAS
12 JOYFUL, LOVING, AND TRULY ONE OF A KIND. SHE LOVED TO MAKE
13 FOOD AND FEED EVERYONE, ALWAYS BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER
14 THROUGH HER COOKING AND GENEROSITY. HER WARM SMILE, INFECTIOUS
15 LAUGHTER, KIND HEART, AND UNWAVERING STRENGTH TOUCHED EVERYONE
16 WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HER. NO MATTER THE CHALLENGES
17 SHE FACED, SHE MET THEM WITH COURAGE AND GRACE, EARNING THE
18 ADMIRATION OF ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE WAS A TRUE WARRIOR WHOSE
19 LOVE KNEW NO LIMITS. MARIA IS SURVIVED BY 7 OF HER 10
20 CHILDREN, 39 GRANDCHILDREN, 51 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND 6
21 GREAT, GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. EACH ONE A REFLECTION OF HER
22 STRENGTH, HER LOVE, AND ENDURING SPIRIT. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY
23 MISSED BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN.

24
25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,



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1 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PAUL SPOTTHOLFER. PAUL WAS 93 WHEN
2 HE PASSED AWAY. HE WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LA HABRA
3 HEIGHTS, AND TOGETHER WITH HIS WIFE CLAIRE, DEVOTED MORE THAN
4 20 YEARS TO RUNNING MUSIC IN THE PARK. OVER THE YEARS, THE
5 CONCERT SERIES GREW INTO A BELOVED COMMUNITY TRADITION,
6 DRAWING BETWEEN 2,000 AND 3,000 ATTENDEES TO EACH PERFORMANCE
7 AND BRINGING NEIGHBORS AND VISITORS FROM ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY
8 TOGETHER IN CELEBRATION OF MUSIC AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT. PAUL
9 WAS RAISED IN WILLOWBROOK BY HIS GERMAN PARENTS, KARL AND
10 FRIEDA, WHO INSTILLED IN HIM THE VALUES OF HARD WORK,
11 RESILIENCE, AND CRAFTSMANSHIP. HE PROUDLY SERVED IN THE US
12 NAVY, TRAVELING TO PLACES SUCH AS HAWAII, OKINAWA, AND ALASKA,
13 AND EXPERIENCED IT DEEPENED HIS SENSE OF DUTY AND SHAPED THE
14 COURSE OF HIS LIFE. AFTER HIS MILITARY SERVICE, PAUL ATTENDED
15 COMPTON COLLEGE BEFORE BEGINNING A LONG AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER
16 IN CONSTRUCTION. IN 1958, HE MET CLAIRE AND THE TWO LATER
17 MARRIED IN A CHURCH PAUL HELPED TO BUILD. IN 1982, PAUL,
18 CLAIRE AND THEIR CHILDREN, HEIDI AND DARREN, MOVED TO LA HABRA
19 HEIGHTS, SETTLING ON A BEAUTIFUL PROPERTY THAT REFLECTED THEIR
20 LOVE OF ANIMALS AND THE OUTDOORS. PAUL AND CLAIRE SOON BECAME
21 ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, SERVING WITH THE LA HABRA
22 HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION. PAUL ALSO SERVED ON THE
23 PLANNING COMMISSION AND USED HIS CONSTRUCTION SKILLS TO BUILD
24 THE GAZEBO AT THE PARK, WHICH IS NOW THE ICONIC GRANDSTAND FOR
25 MUSIC IN THE PARK CONCERTS AND A LASTING PART OF HIS LEGACY.



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1 THOSE WHO KNEW PAUL WILL REMEMBER HIS WARMTH, HIS HUMILITY,
2 AND THE WAY HE MADE OTHERS FEEL VALUED SIMPLY BY BEING
3 HIMSELF. PAUL WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS BELOVED WIFE,
4 CLAIRE. HE SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER HEIDI, HIS SON DARREN, AND
5 HIS DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, CHRISTINE. AND MY LAST ONE, MADAM CHAIR,
6 IS I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
7 OF YOLANDA ESPINOZA CORREA, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 9TH. SHE
8 WAS BORN IN 1968 IN MEXICO CITY AND WAS THE YOUNGEST OF FOUR
9 CHILDREN. SHE GREW UP IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND EVENTUALLY
10 SETTLED IN LA MIRADA, WHERE SHE BUILT A LOVING HOME AND MANY
11 CHERISHED MEMORIES. YOLANDA MET SAMMY CORREA IN 7TH GRADE AND
12 THEIR FRIENDSHIP BLOSSOMED INTO A LIFELONG PARTNERSHIP.
13 YOLANDA SPENT 26 YEARS TEACHING AT DANIEL WEBSTER ELEMENTARY
14 SCHOOL, WHERE SHE MADE HER CLASSROOM A WELCOMING PLACE AND
15 HELPED EVERY STUDENT FEEL SEEN, VALUED, AND CAPABLE OF GREAT
16 THINGS. SHE LOVED TO TRAVEL AND CAPTURE SPECIAL MOMENTS WITH
17 HER CAMERA. YOLANDA IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND SAMUEL, HER
18 DAUGHTERS EMMA AND TANYA, HER MOTHER GUADALUPE ESPINOSA, HER
19 MOTHER-IN-LAW ELIDA CORREA, HER SISTER-IN-LAW DIANA, HER
20 SISTERS GLORIA AND ANGELA, AND HER BROTHER THOMAS ESPINOSA,
21 AND HER NIECE MONIQUE DIAZ. THANK YOU.

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

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25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN



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1 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF KEVIN O'MALLEY, A
2 DEVOTED BASEBALL EXECUTIVE AND BELOVED MEMBER OF THE O'MALLEY
3 FAMILY WHO PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 30TH AT THE AGE OF 50. BORN AND
4 RAISED IN LOS ANGELES, O'MALLEY PLAYED BASEBALL AT HARVARD
5 WESTLAKE AND LATER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA WHERE HE
6 ALSO EARNED AN MBA FROM WHARTON IN 2004. IN THE LATE 1990S, HE
7 WORKED FOR THE DODGER'S ORGANIZATION IN GREAT FALLS, MONTANA,
8 AND AT DODGER TOWN IN BARROW BEACH, FLORIDA. HE CO-FOUNDED TOP
9 OF THE 3RD INC., WHICH OPERATED THE STOCKTON MUDVILLE 9 AND
10 THE VISALIA RAWHIDE MINOR LEAGUE TEAMS IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.
11 IN 2012, KEVIN JOINED THE SEIDLER AND O'MALLEY FAMILIES AS A
12 PART OWNER OF THE SAN DIEGO PADRES. KEVIN'S BASEBALL ROOTS RUN
13 DEEP. HIS GRANDFATHER, WHO WORKED WITH YOUR FATHER, SUPERVISOR
14 HAHN, WALTER O'MALLEY, OWNED THE DODGERS FROM 1944 TO 1979 AND
15 WAS CREDITED WITH BRINGING THE DODGERS TO THE LOS ANGELES FROM
16 BROOKLYN. WALTER WAS INDUCTED INTO THE BASEBALL HALL OF FAME.
17 KEVIN'S FATHER, PETER, LED THE LOS ANGELES DODGERS AS
18 PRESIDENT FROM 1970 TO 1998. KEVIN HONORED HIS FAMILY'S LEGACY
19 THROUGH STEADY WORK AND HEARTFELT COMMITMENT. BASEBALL WAS
20 IMPORTANT TO HIM, HIS FATHER SAID. FAMILY CAME FIRST, BUT
21 BASEBALL WAS A CLOSE 2ND. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ALLISON,
22 HIS CHILDREN, GRACE, BRENDAN, BROOKE, AND MARGARET, HIS
23 FATHER, PETER, HIS SISTER, CATHERINE, HIS BROTHER, BRIAN, AND
24 SEVERAL NIECE AND NEPHEWS. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS
25 MOTHER, ANNETTE.



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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DALE
3 HAROLD HETZEL, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA WHO
4 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. DALE WAS BORN FEBRUARY 17, 1936,
5 IN ILLINOIS AND MOVED TO CALIFORNIA AT THE AGE OF 10. IN 1956
6 HE MARRIED ALMA VICKERS AND TOGETHER THEY RAISED FOUR CHILDREN
7 WITH THEIR MARRIAGE LASTING NEARLY 69 YEARS UNTIL ALMA'S
8 PASSING IN 2025. DALE SERVED OUR COUNTRY AS AN ARMY RESERVIST
9 DURING THE EARLY YEARS OF HIS MARRIAGE. HE ALSO HAD A LONG
10 CAREER IN THE GROCERY INDUSTRY WHERE HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS
11 DEPENDABILITY, LEADERSHIP, AND HIS CHARACTER. OUTSIDE OF WORK,
12 HE ENJOYED READING AND LOVED SPENDING TIME IN HIS GARDEN. DALE
13 LOVED WATCHING SPORTS, PROUDLY CHEERING ON THE LOS ANGELES
14 DODGERS AND THE PITTSBURGH STEELERS. DALE SURVIVED BY HIS
15 THREE CHILDREN, 10 GRANDCHILDREN, 17 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND
16 MANY OTHERS WHO WILL FOREVER CHERISH HIS LEGACY.

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FREDERICK
19 DAVID HENRY WILLIAMS, A RESIDENT OF CLAREMONT WHO PASSED AWAY
20 AT THE AGE OF 100. FREDERICK WAS BORN IN NEW YORK AND SPENT
21 HIS EARLY YEARS IN ENGLAND. DURING WORLD WAR II IN 1946, HE
22 BEGAN SERVING IN THE US ARMY, WHERE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE
23 3071ST MOBILE REFRIGERATION UNIT AND WAS LATER HONORABLY
24 DISCHARGED IN 1949. AFTER THE WAR, HE RETURNED TO AMERICA AND
25 WORKED AS A TRUCK DRIVER IN CLEVELAND, OHIO, WHERE HE MET HIS



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1 WIFE OF 73 YEARS, GLORIA. THEY EVENTUALLY SETTLED IN LOS
2 ANGELES AND RAISED THEIR CHILDREN, DAVID AND LAURA LEE.
3 FREDERICK WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE, GLORIA, WHO DIED
4 AT THE AGE OF 97. HE MOVED TO CLAREMONT MANOR WHERE HE ENJOYED
5 PARTICIPATING IN CURRENT EVENT TALKS. IN 2025, HIS COMMUNITY
6 CAME TOGETHER TO HOLD A PARTY TO COMMEMORATE HIS 100TH
7 BIRTHDAY. FREDERICK IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON DAVID WILLIAMS AND
8 DAUGHTER-IN-LAW SUSAN WILLIAMS, DAUGHTER LAURA LEE AND SON-IN-
9 LAW JOHN RIMPHOW, THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR GREAT
10 GRANDCHILDREN.

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12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** ALSO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
13 THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT
14 VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER AND WERE
15 SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE
16 NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH. LOUISE ALFONSO GARCIA,
17 ARMY. WILLARD ARTHUR WEEKS, ARMY. MELVIN LAVERNE TAYLOR, NAVY.
18 JOHN DAVID BOGGS, ARMY. HARVEY D. MCLEVEN, ARMY. BRENDAN JOHN
19 MERHOLTZ, NAVY. HENRY RAYMOND DEVITTAL, ARMY. JERRY MARTIN
20 HORNSTEIN, ARMY. DAVID LAWRENCE DODSON, AIR FORCE. LARRY EDWIN
21 SALISBURY, MARINES. RODERICK RENNELL BRECKENRIDGE, ARMY, AND
22 ROBERT CHARLES PETERSON, NAVY. MAY THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND
23 SACRIFICES IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THANK
24 YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE ALL THESE
2 MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IS THERE NO, THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A
3 UNANIMOUS VOTE? THAT WOULD BE THE ORDER. PLEASE READ US INTO
4 CLOSED SESSION.

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6 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, THE
7 BOARD WILL NOW BE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. WHILE THE BOARD
8 IS IN CLOSED SESSION, WE WILL BE SHOWING A VIDEO PRESENTATION.
9 SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE
10 YOUTH AT WORK PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM. IN ACCORDANCE WITH
11 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICES HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
13 NUMBER CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
14 ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, 1 CASE. ITEM NUMBER CS3, PUBLIC
15 EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
16 POSITION OF INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
17 FAMILY SERVICES. ITEM NUMBER CS4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
18 NEGOTIATORS, JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA AND DESIGNATED STAFF. AND
19 ITEM NUMBER CS5, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
20 ANTICIPATED LITIGATION ONE CASE AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
21 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

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23 [CLOSED SESSION]

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25 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** SO IT ALL STARTED OUR SCHOOL AND MY



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1 FRIEND TOLD US TO COME HERE.

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3 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** YES, SO WE WALKED IN, ABBY WASN'T
4 SURE. SHE DIDN'T WANT TO COME CHECK OUT THE CAMP. AND I SAID,
5 LET'S JUST GO SEE AND THEN WE'LL GO THE REST OF OUR DAY WE'LL
6 GO TO THE PARK OR SOMETHING AND SHE WALKED IN AND SAID I'M
7 STAYING.

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9 **KYLE FERRIS [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'VE SEEN THE PARENTS JUST THE
10 RELIEF BY HOW MUCH PRAISE THEY GIVE US HOW THANKFUL AND
11 GRATEFUL THEY ARE FOR US TO BE COMING HERE AND KNOWING MY KIDS
12 ARE SAFE FOR THE DAY WHILE I'M FIGURING OUT HOW TO GET THROUGH
13 THIS SITUATION FOR THE NEXT WEEK, MONTH, YEAR, HOWEVER LONG IT
14 TAKES.

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16 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** IT'S REALLY BEEN A HUGE SUPPORT FOR
17 ALL OF US PARENTS WHO ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO
18 NEXT.

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20 **REGINA BRADLEY [VIDEO RECORDING]:** SO THE YOUTH AT WORK PROGRAM
21 IS A PROGRAM FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS AGES 14 TO 24, WHERE
22 YOUTH CAN GAIN WORK EXPERIENCE AND BUILD LIFE LESSONS, GET
23 MENTORSHIP AT ONE OF OUR LOCAL PARKS.

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25 **JOSHUA RESENDIZ [VIDEO RECORDING]:** IT'S BEEN REALLY GREAT.



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1 NICE EXPERIENCE FOR ME. I'VE BEEN GETTING TO WORK WHILE I'M
2 STILL AT SCHOOL. NICE EXPERIENCE. GET TO BUILD MY RESUME AND
3 STUFF WHILE STILL PURSUING EDUCATION.

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5 **MARIA HERNANDEZ [VIDEO RECORDING]:** OUR SENIOR PROGRAM HAS THIS
6 WONDERFUL PARTNERSHIP WITH HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION THAT
7 ESSENTIALLY PROVIDES MEALS TO OUR ELDERLY, 55 AND ABOVE. WE
8 HAVE A HOT MEAL PROGRAM THAT STARTS MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM
9 11 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

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11 **MERCEDES SANTORO [VIDEO RECORDING]:** IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION DURING THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN THAT
13 IMPACTED THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM, A 43-DAY PERIOD
14 GREATLY IMPACTED OUR PARK FAMILIES WHO TURNED TO PARKS TO HELP
15 PROVIDE ACCESS TO FOOD SECURITY. DURING THE DIFFICULT I.C.E.
16 ENFORCEMENT RAIDS, L.A. COUNTY PARKS CAME TOGETHER WITH OUR
17 FRONTLINE PARK STAFF TO SEE WHAT WE COULD DO TOGETHER TO
18 ENSURE THAT FAMILIES AND SENIORS AND CHILDREN COULD CONTINUE
19 TO SAFELY ACCESS OUR AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, SUMMER ACTIVITIES,
20 EVENTS, AND OUR SENIOR CONGREGATE MEAL AND OTHER PROGRAMS.
21 PARK STAFF WORKED WITH COMMUNITY SENIORS AND WE CAME UP WITH A
22 SENIOR SHUTTLE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, WE WORKED WITH OUR PARK
23 STAFF TO CREATE AN AMBASSADOR PROGRAM. THIS AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
24 PROVIDED EXTRA OVERSIGHT AND SUPPORT.



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1 **JACOB REYES [VIDEO RECORDING]:** TODAY WE CURRENTLY HAVE A FOOD
2 DISTRIBUTION GOING ON ALONG WITH AN AIR PURIFIER DISTRIBUTION
3 GOING ON IN OUR BASKETBALL DOME ALONG WITH A SHELTER FOR
4 ANYONE WHO IS EXPERIENCING ANY ENDANGERMENT WHEN IT COMES TO
5 THE FIRES AND JUST TRYING TO KEEP THEM GIVE THEM SHELTER AND
6 ALONG WITH FOOD AS WELL. IT FEELS GREAT, YOU KNOW, WE'RE ABLE
7 TO HELP OUT THE COMMUNITY IN ANY WAY THAT WE'RE ABLE TO. WE'RE
8 ABLE TO OPEN UP OUR DOORS TO THEM, ALLOW THEM TO SPEND NIGHTS
9 HERE ALONG, GIVE THEM SHELTER, GIVE THEM FOOD, JUST SO THAT
10 WAY THEY CAN FEEL COMFORTABLE, THEY CAN FEEL SAFE, AND ALSO
11 KEEPING ALL THE KIDS IN A GREAT ENVIRONMENT BY GIVING THEM
12 BOARD GAMES, TV, FOOSBALL TABLES, AND JUST ALLOWING HIM TO BE
13 HERE AT THE PARK.

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15 [CLOSED SESSION]
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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE ARE NOW BACK IN OPEN SESSION.
18 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE REPORT OF ACTION.
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20 **EDWARD YEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF
21 ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JULY 7, 2026. ITEM NUMBER
22 CS2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED
23 LITIGATION, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS3,
24 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT
25 TO THE POSITION OF INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF



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1 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN.
2 ON ITEM NUMBER CS4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, JOSEPH
3 M. NICCHITTA AND DESIGNATED STAFF, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS
4 TAKEN. ITEM NUMBER CS5, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
5 REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION ONE CASE NO REPORTABLE ACTION
6 WAS TAKEN.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S BOARD
9 MEETING THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JULY 14,
10 2026, AT 9:30 A.M. WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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



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1 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
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3 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
4 supervision;

5 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
6 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
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8 me.

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

12 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
13 20th day of July 2026, for the County records to be used
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