



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 2026

SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026, AND WE TAKE NOTE THAT A QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE COUNTY COUNSEL EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE WILL NOW START THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT. THANK YOU.

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



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

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS MORNING, THE INVOCATION WILL BE
13 LED BY MINISTER JAMES GIBBS, FROM THE EAST 105TH STREET
14 CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES, REPRESENTING THE 2ND
15 DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE
16 LED BY JULISSA GOMEZ, FORMER CORPORAL FOR THE UNITED STATES
17 MARINE CORPS, REPRESENTING THE 3RD DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE,
18 PLEASE JOIN US AND STAND. THANK YOU.

19
20 **MINISTER JAMES GIBBS:** GOOD MORNING. FIRST GIVING REVERENCE TO
21 GOD, OUR CREATOR, WHO IS THE HEAD OF MY LIFE. HONORABLE MADAM
22 CHAIR SOLIS, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS MITCHELL, HORVATH, HAHN,
23 AND BARGER, DISTINGUISHED COUNTY LEADERS, STAFF, AND MEMBERS
24 OF THE PUBLIC. I AM REVEREND JAMES M. GIBBS II, AND I BRING
25 YOU GREETINGS AND A WORD OF PRAYER FROM EAST 105TH STREET



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1 CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN LOS ANGELES. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP AND
2 TUTELAGE OF OUR SENIOR PASTOR, ELTON J. PENN, LOCATED IN THE
3 SECOND DISTRICT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY J.
4 MITCHELL, I THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF OFFERING TODAY'S
5 INVOCATION. PLEASE JOIN ME IN A MOMENT OF PRAYER. MAY WE BOW
6 OUR HEADS. MOST PRECIOUS AND GRACIOUS LORD, IT IS WRITTEN THAT
7 THIS IS THE DAY THAT THE LORD HAS MADE. REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN
8 IT. SO WE REJOICE TODAY, LORD. FIRST, BECAUSE YOU ARE GOD, OUR
9 CREATOR, SUSTAINER. PROVIDER AND REDEEMER, WE REJOICE TODAY
10 BECAUSE YOU HAVE BLESSED US WITH A WITH LIFE AND ANOTHER
11 BEAUTIFULLY BLESSED BRAND-NEW DAY. WE REJOICE TODAY BECAUSE WE
12 HAVE A REASONABLE PORTION OF HEALTH AND STRENGTH, AND WE ARE
13 ENCLOSED IN OUR RIGHT MINDS. WE REJOICE TODAY, LORD, BECAUSE
14 YOU HAVE ALLOWED US ALL TO MAKE IT HERE SAFELY THIS MORNING.
15 TODAY WE REJOICE, LORD, BECAUSE OF YOUR SON JESUS, WHO GIVES
16 US DIRECT ACCESS TO YOU. PLEASE FORGIVE US FOR OUR SINS AND
17 OUR TRANSGRESSIONS. WE ASK THAT YOU BLESS US TODAY WITH WISDOM
18 TO MAKE PROPER DECISIONS, DISCERNMENT SO WE ARE ABLE TO SEE
19 TRUTHFULLY, COURAGE TO STAND FOR RIGHT IN ANY DECISIONS MADE
20 HERE TODAY. BLESS US, O GOD, WITH HUMILITY TO KEEP US FREE
21 FROM PRIDEFUL AND ARROGANT DECISIONS AND TO KEEP THE FOCUS ON
22 HELPING OUR COMMUNITY. BLESS US WITH COMPASSION TO FILL THE
23 HEARTS AND NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY, AND WE ASK LORD THAT YOU
24 BLESS US TODAY WITH UNITY DESPITE ANY DIFFERING VIEWPOINTS.
25 BLESS US WITH JUSTICE THAT'S BALANCED WITH MERCY. LORD, GRANT



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1 PROTECTION FOR ALL OF THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES, FIRST RESPONDERS,
2 COMMUNITY CLERGY LEADERS, AND VULNERABLE RESIDENTS OF OUR
3 COMMUNITY. WE LOVE YOU, LORD, AND WE THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS
4 DAY AS WE BLESS YOUR NAME. WE PRAISE YOU, FATHER, FOR WHO YOU
5 ARE, AND WE THANK YOU, GOD, FOR YOU ARE GOOD AND YOUR MERCY
6 ENDURES FOREVER. AND WE ASK THESE BLESSINGS IN THE NAME OF
7 YOUR DARLING SON JESUS, WHO WE PRAY FOREVER. AMEN.

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9 **JULISSA GOMEZ:** I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED
10 STATES OF AMERICA. AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS,
11 ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE
12 FOR ALL.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU'RE
15 RECOGNIZED.

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17 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND GOOD
18 MORNING, LOS ANGELES. OH, I'M GOING TO TRY THAT AGAIN. GOOD
19 MORNING, LOS ANGELES. YEAH, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MINISTER
20 GIBBS, FOR GRACIOUSLY LEADING US IN TODAY'S PRAYER, TODAY'S
21 INVOCATION, AND THE REMINDER FOR THE I WAS GOING TO WRITE IT
22 DOWN. I ALREADY FORGOT. MY PORTION. TELL ME WHAT YOU SAID
23 AGAIN. MY REASONABLE PORTION. REASONABLE PORTION OF HEALTH AND
24 STRENGTH. MY REASONABLE PORTION OF HEALTH AND STRENGTH. THAT'S
25 A FAIR THING TO ASK FOR EVERY MORNING. A REASONABLE PORTION,



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1 RIGHT, SUPERVISOR HAHN? A REASONABLE PORTION. DON'T BE GREEDY.
2 A REASONABLE PORTION. MINISTER GIBBS HAS SERVED AS A LICENSED
3 ORDAINED PASTOR FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, AND FOR THE PAST
4 DECADE HE HAS MINISTERED AT EAST 105TH STREET CHRISTIAN
5 CHURCH, WHERE HE CONTINUES TO CHANNEL HIS DEEP PASSION FOR
6 SERVING THOSE IN NEED AND UPLIFTING OUR GREATER COMMUNITY.
7 HE'S CURRENTLY PURSUING A MASTER'S DEGREE IN CHRISTIAN
8 COUNSELING FROM EMMANUEL BIBLE COLLEGE AND SEMINARY. MINISTER
9 GIBBS IS THE PROUD FATHER OF 4. WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE
10 GRATITUDE TO MINISTER GIBBS FOR OFFERING TODAY'S INVOCATION
11 AND FOR HIS STEADFAST SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND DEDICATION TO
12 NOT ONLY THE RESIDENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT BUT THE GREATER
13 L.A. COMMUNITY, WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR PRESENCE WITH US
14 TODAY. THANK YOU. APPRECIATE YOU. LET'S DO THIS FOR MY
15 REASONABLE PORTION.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, YOU'RE
18 RECOGNIZED.

19
20 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** USUALLY WHEN IT'S LOW, IT'S GOOD FOR
21 ME, BUT THIS WAS JUST A LITTLE TOO LOW. GOOD MORNING. PLEASE
22 JOIN ME IN THANKING UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS CORPORAL
23 JULISSA GOMEZ FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
24 TODAY. JULISSA SERVED IN THE MARINE CORPS IN THE 3RD RADIO
25 BATTALION FROM 2020 THROUGH 2024. WHILE SERVING, SHE WAS



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1 AWARDED MANY DECORATIONS, INCLUDING NAVY AND MARINE CORPS
2 ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, NAVY MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION, MARINE
3 CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL,
4 GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, KOREA DEFENSE SERVICE
5 MEDAL, SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON, LETTER OF APPRECIATION,
6 AND EXPERT RIFLE QUALIFICATION BADGE. JULISSA CONTINUES TO
7 SERVE THE VETERAN COMMUNITY AS A PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST FOR
8 THE GOODWILL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA VETERAN PEER ACCESS
9 NETWORK PROGRAM, AND SHE ALSO HAS AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE FROM
10 PIERCE COLLEGE AND IS PURSUING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN GRAPHIC
11 DESIGN. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR OUR
12 VETERAN COMMUNITY. I'M INCREDIBLY PROUD OF YOUR SERVICE AND
13 EVEN PROUDER TO HAVE YOU AS A RESIDENT OF OUR 3RD DISTRICT.
14 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THIS IS FOR YOU, AND THIS IS FOR YOU
15 TOO.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, PET PRESENTATION. ALL
18 RIGHT, I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE YOU ALL TO SNUFFY. SNUFFY IS A
19 6-YEAR-OLD, 115-POUND MASTIFF WITH AN EVEN BIGGER HEART. HE IS
20 ABSOLUTELY THE SWEETEST DOG. BUT DON'T LET HIS SIZE FOOL YOU.
21 THIS GENTLE GIANT IS ALL ABOUT LOVE. SNUFFY ADORES SPENDING
22 TIME WITH HIS PEOPLE AND GETS ALONG WONDERFULLY WITH BOTH
23 HUMANS AND OTHER ANIMALS AND LOVES TINY SMALL DOGS. IF YOU'RE
24 LOOKING FOR A LOYAL, AFFECTIONATE COMPANION WITH A FUN-LOVING
25 PERSONALITY, SNUFFY— SNUFFY MIGHT BE THE PERFECT ADDITION TO



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1 YOUR FAMILY. COME MEET THIS BIG SWEETHEART AND DISCOVER JUST
2 HOW MUCH LOVE THIS GENTLE GIANT HAS TO GIVE. YOU CAN CALL THE
3 AGOURA CARE CENTER AT 818-991-0071 TO BRING SNUFFY HOME. YEAH,
4 SNUFFY. AND NOW PLEASE TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN FOR
5 OUR PET FROM PALMDALE. MEET NALA. SHE'S A BEAUTIFUL 5-YEAR-OLD
6 ARMENIAN GAMPER. WITH A CALM, RELAXED, GENTLE DEMEANOR, SHE
7 WALKS WELL ON A LEASH AND IS VERY GENTLE AS SHE WITH HER
8 APPROACH. NALA LOVES BEING AROUND PEOPLE. SHE IS EAGERLY
9 AWAITING HER NEW FAMILY WHERE SHE CAN LET HER GENTLE, PLAYFUL
10 PERSONALITY SHINE. YOU CAN CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT
11 661-575-7888 TO MAKE HER YOURS. AND THEN WE HAVE THE
12 PROMOTION: AUGUST IS CLEAR THE SHELTERS MONTH, WHERE ADOPTION
13 FEES. ARE WAIVED FOR ALL CATS AND DOGS AT ALL SEVEN CARE
14 CENTERS. YOU CAN VISIT ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV TO FIND YOURS.
15 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA?

19
20 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR,
21 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO,
22 CONSENT CALENDAR. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 17. ON
23 ITEM 1, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF
24 SHEKINAH DEOCARES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY YOUTH CLIMATE
25 COMMISSION, BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ALSO, THIS



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1 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
2 ON ITEM 3, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT
4 THIS ITEM BE HELD WITH ITEM 59A, ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION
5 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 9, THIS
6 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
7 ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
8 ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN
10 WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR
11 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A
12 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17,
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
14 13, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS ITEMS 18 THROUGH 61. FOR ITEM 21,
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON
16 ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD WITH
17 ITEM 62. ON ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS
18 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 11, 2026. ON ITEM 27,
19 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
20 SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2026, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON
21 ITEM 33, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
22 ON ITEMS 36 AND 37, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO BE
23 RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON PAGE 35, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
24 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
25 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL



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1 AGENDA ITEMS 59A THROUGH 59C. ON ITEM 59A, SUPERVISOR HAHN
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD WITH ITEM 4. ON ITEM 59C,
3 SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
4 36, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTIONS, ITEMS 62 AND 63. ON ITEM 62,
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD WITH ITEM 22.
6 ON PAGE 37, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR
7 THE MEETING OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ITEMS
8 1D THROUGH 3D. ON ITEM 1D, SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO BE
9 RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON PAGE 40, SEPARATE MATTER ITEM 64. ON
10 ITEM 64, THE BOARD WILL TAKE A SEPARATE VOTE ON THIS MATTER.
11 ON PAGE 41, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS CS1 THROUGH CS4.
12 ON ITEM CS1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
13 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 11, 2026, AS INDICATED ON THE
14 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES ITEMS TO BE
15 REFERRED BACK THROUGH CS4, ARE BEFORE YOU, WITH THE EXCEPTION
16 OF ITEMS 22 AND 62, OF WHICH THE BOARD WILL TAKE SEPARATE VOTE
17 ON. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR, DID YOU SAY THAT I VOTED NO
20 ON 1D, OR DID I MISS OR REGISTER TO VOTE NO

21
22 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** ON ITEM 1D? SUPERVISOR BARGER
23 WOULD LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE.

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25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THAT IS INACCURATE. I APOLOGIZE IF YOU



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1 WERE GIVEN WRONG INFORMATION. I'M SUPPORTING THAT.

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3 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** OKAY.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITH THAT MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
6 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, TO APPROVE THESE
7 ITEMS AS INDICATED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. AND THAT WILL BE
8 THE ORDER.

9

10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM, THE REQUEST FOR
11 CONTINUANCES AND ITEMS BE REFERRED BACK TO CS4 BEFORE YOU THAT
12 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. EXCUSE ME.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
15 SUPERVISOR BARGER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.

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17 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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21 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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

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25 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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6 **SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU

11 PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT?

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER [AUDIO RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY

14 I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES

15 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF

16 CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH

17 IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING.

18 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN

19 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH

20 PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE

21 BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC

22 COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE

23 BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING

24 RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR

25 TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO



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

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT, TODAY'S
20 MEETING ORDER WILL BE THE FOLLOWING: PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS
21 NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD, INCLUDING THE CLOSED
22 SESSION MATTERS, FOLLOWED BY ITEM 17, THEN ITEMS 4 AND 59A,
23 WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, THEN ITEMS 12 AND 15,
24 FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 33 AND 59C, THEN ITEMS 22 AND 62, WHICH WILL
25 BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, THEN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, AND



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1 FINISHING UP WITH CLOSED SESSION. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION AND EXPLAIN THE
3 SPEAKING RULES.

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5 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU MAY
7 DO SO IN PERSON OR REMOTELY. TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, PLEASE
8 VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV TO REGISTER AND JOIN
9 THE MEETING, OR YOU MAY CALL 213-306-3065 AND USE ACCESS CODE
10 25350767753 AND A MEETING PASSWORD OF 2672026. YOU'LL HAVE THE
11 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. FOR
12 ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE FOR
13 ONE ITEM AND UP TO TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS. FOR
14 ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS
15 THE BOARD AND ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON GENERAL
16 PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE CLEARLY STATE YOUR NAME AND INDICATE
17 THE AGENDA ITEMS AND NUMBERS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING. PLEASE
18 NOTE, ONCE YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO
19 THE NEXT SPEAKER. WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, IF REGISTERED
20 ON A COMPUTER OR DEVICE, YOU WILL HEAR A BEEP AND YOUR NAME
21 WILL BE CALLED. OR IF JOINING BY TELEPHONE, YOU WILL HEAR,
22 YOUR LINE IS UNMUTED, YOUR AREA CODE AND THE LAST TWO DIGITS
23 OF YOUR PHONE NUMBER WILL BE CALLED. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM
24 BOTH IN-PERSON AND REMOTE SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN
25 THE TWO SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN



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1 ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE
2 SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM AND
3 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL
4 DIRECTED TO DO SO. ALSO, FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN
5 ATTENDANCE, PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE
6 TEAM THAT INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF
7 MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC SOCIAL
8 SERVICES, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, HOMELESS SERVICES AND
9 HOUSING, AND PARKS AND RECREATION IN THE AUDIENCE SHOULD YOU
10 NEED ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL HEAR FROM
11 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON PUBLIC
12 ITEMS NOT HELD FOR DISCUSSION BY THE SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING
13 CLOSED SESSION MATTERS. THE CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE ACTED UPON
14 WITH ONE MOTION. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY
15 TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE
16 IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. PLEASE
17 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS IN
18 THE BEGINNING OF YOUR COMMENT FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE
19 APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WE WILL NOW CALL IN IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND
22 WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE REMOTE SPEAKERS.
23 THIS WILL BE FOR ALL ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD FOR
24 DISCUSSION AND CLOSED SESSION ITEMS. WILL THE FOLLOWING
25 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU:



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1 CLAUDIA JEREZ, BECKETT HUTCHINS, AND BARBARA OLSON. ERIKA
2 ROGERS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS
3 YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

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5 **ERIKA ROGERS:** I'M HERE TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEM 5. GOOD MORNING,
6 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ERIKA ROGERS, AND I AM WITH THE
7 COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE
8 TODAY IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 5, MOTION TO PROCLAIM AUGUST
9 2ND THROUGH AUGUST 8TH, 2026 AS NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK
10 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY
11 CLINIC ASSOCIATION AND OUR 68 NONPROFIT COMMUNITY HEALTH
12 CENTER MEMBERS, WHICH PROVIDE CARE TO MORE THAN 2,000,000 LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
14 AUTHORIZING THIS PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER
15 WEEK. FOR MORE THAN 60 YEARS, COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS HAVE
16 BEEN TRUSTED HEALTHCARE PARTNERS PROVIDING HIGH-QUALITY,
17 AFFORDABLE, COMPREHENSIVE CARE REGARDLESS OF A PERSON'S
18 INSURANCE STATUS OR ABILITY TO PAY. WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S
19 LONGSTANDING PARTNERSHIP AND CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF THE
20 ESSENTIAL ROLE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS PLAY IN IMPROVING
21 HEALTH OUTCOMES AND ADVANCING HEALTH EQUITY. THANK YOU FOR
22 YOUR SUPPORT.

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24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANDREW YAM, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
25 PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.



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2 **ANDREW YAM:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON
3 AGENDA ITEM 5. ON BEHALF OF ULTIMATE HEALTH SERVICES, I WOULD
4 LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
5 INTRODUCING THIS PROCLAMATION AND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
6 FOR RECOGNIZING AUGUST 2ND TO 8TH AS NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER
7 WEEK. EVERY YEAR, NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK CELEBRATES THE
8 ESSENTIAL ROLE THAT COMMUNITY CLINICS PLAY IN THE HEALTHCARE
9 SAFETY NET SYSTEM. COMMUNITY CLINICS ARE OFTEN THE ONLY
10 ACCESSIBLE SOURCE OF HEALTHCARE FOR LOW-INCOME AND UNINSURED
11 INDIVIDUALS, AND REGARDLESS OF A PATIENT'S ABILITY TO PAY.
12 THESE CLINICS PROVIDE ESSENTIAL SERVICES THAT HELP PEOPLE IN
13 THE MOST UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES TO HELP LIVE FULLER AND
14 HEALTHIER LIVES. FOUNDED IN 1969, ULTIMATE HAS BEEN PROVIDING
15 AFFORDABLE, HIGH-QUALITY, COMPREHENSIVE CARE FOR UNDERSERVED
16 COMMUNITIES IN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION FOR OVER 57
17 YEARS THROUGH AN INTEGRATED NETWORK OF DENTAL, BEHAVIORAL,
18 PHARMACY, AND OTHER ESSENTIAL SERVICES. ULTIMATE ALSO PROUDLY
19 SERVES 1 IN 8 MEDI-CAL MEMBERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND WE ARE
20 THANKFUL TO BE CELEBRATING THIS IMPORTANT WEEK TOGETHER WITH
21 YOU ALL. WE HOPE TO WELCOME YOU. AND --

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
24 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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1 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** OKAY, ROY HUMPHREYS HERE, ROWLAND HEIGHTS. AND
2 NUMBER 11 ILLUSTRATES WHY THE SHERIFF MUST BE REMOVED FROM
3 JAILS, WHICH PRESENTLY IS, MAKING A SILK PURSE OUT OF A SOW'S
4 EAR. ITEM 13 IS GREAT BUT SCARY CONSIDERING THE NEED AND HOW
5 MUCH YOU ARE SPENDING ON FIGHTING THE CRIMINAL, EXPORT OR
6 DEPORTATION OF ILLEGAL ALIENS FROM 77 COUNTRIES UNDER THE
7 BIDEN ADMINISTRATION. AND SHAME ON YOU, AND SOON I HOPE YOU'LL
8 PAY THE PIPER. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANTHONY ARENAS, YOUR LINE IS
11 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
12 BEGIN.

13

14 **ANTHONY ARENAS:** HI, MY NAME IS ANTHONY ARENAS FROM SUPERVISORY
15 DISTRICT 3. I'M WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION SPEAKING
16 ALONGSIDE THE 78 OTHER FOLKS WHO EMAILED THE BOARD REGARDING
17 AGENDA ITEM 11. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR PRIORITIZING
18 CARE FOR THOSE IN SHERIFF CUSTODY, BUT THIS MOTION FALLS WAY
19 TOO SHORT. THE NEED FOR HYGIENE KITS GOES BACK DECADES WITH
20 PROVEN PRACTICES BY DEPUTY SHERIFFS TO WITHHOLD SUCH KITS AS A
21 WAY TO RETALIATE AGAINST THOSE IN THEIR CUSTODY. THE FACT THAT
22 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT IS FALLING SHORT OF STATEWIDE STANDARDS IS
23 ABSOLUTELY UNACCEPTABLE, ESPECIALLY GIVEN OUR IN-CUSTODY DEATH
24 CRISIS AND THE 24TH LIFE LOST THIS YEAR JUST LAST WEEK. THE
25 FACT THAT THE AUDIT ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MISSED MISUSE



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1 OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND WAS REMOVED, GIVEN THEIR PROVEN
2 HISTORY OF MISUSING TAXPAYER DOLLARS, IS VERY CONCERNING. HOW
3 ARE WE TO TRUST DEPUTY SHERIFF?

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JANET ASANTE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
6 PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

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8 **JANET ASANTE:** HI, MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE FROM SUPERVISORY
9 DISTRICT 2, AND I'M SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM 11. I AGREE WITH
10 THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE PRIORITIZE THE
11 HEALTH AND CARE OF THOSE IN LASD CUSTODY. BUT ALLOCATING
12 ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THESE
13 HYGIENE KITS AND THE FACT THAT THEY ARE MISUSING THE INMATE
14 WELFARE FUND IS A SIGN THAT THEY ARE MISUSING THE
15 \$4,600,000,000 THAT THEY'RE GIVEN EVERY YEAR. I REACHED OUT
16 DIRECTLY TO SUPERVISOR HAHN'S OFFICE AND DID NOT GET CLARITY
17 FOR WHY THE ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES WERE REMOVED. I WAS TOLD
18 THAT THERE WAS INCORRECT INFORMATION. BUT ACCORDING TO THE
19 REPORT BACK FROM SHERIFF LUNA HIMSELF, THEY WERE MISUSING THE
20 INMATE WELFARE FUND AS THE SOLE SOURCE FOR PROVIDING THESE
21 HYGIENE KITS WHEN THEY'RE GIVEN BILLIONS YEAR AFTER YEAR, NOT
22 JUST FROM THE COUNTY BUT ALSO FROM CONTRACT CITIES. YOU KNOW,
23 WE NEED ACCOUNTABILITY NOW, AND THIS MOTION FALLS SHORT. SO
24 THANK YOU FOR PRIORITIZING THIS ISSUE, BUT IF YOU TRULY WANT
25 TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR THOSE THAT WE REPRESENT, MORE NEEDS



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1 TO BE DONE.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 202,
4 LAST TWO DIGITS 16, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
5 AND THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING. AND BEGIN.

6

7 **MAYA DANIELS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MAYA DANIELS WITH THE
8 TRANSLATINA COALITION AND THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. I
9 WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AND SUPPORT BOTH ITEMS 11 AND ITEM 19,
10 AND I RESIDE IN DISTRICT 2. SO FOR ITEM 11, THE BOARD AND
11 COUNTY DEPARTMENT FAILED TO PROVIDE WHAT THE LAW ALREADY
12 REQUIRES. IT SHIFTS THE BURDEN ONTO INCARCERATED PEOPLE AND
13 THEIR FAMILIES INSTEAD OF FULFILLING ITS OWN RESPONSIBILITIES.
14 ACCESS TO BASIC HYGIENE IS NOT A LUXURY OR A REWARD. IT IS A
15 FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN NEED AND NOT A VIABLE OPTION A CARE-FIRST
16 VISION MEANS HEALTH, SAFETY, AND DIGNITY ARE PRIORITIZED.
17 MEETING BASIC NEEDS IS ONE OF THE SIMPLEST AND MOST COST-
18 EFFECTIVE WAYS THE COUNTY CAN PROTECT PEOPLE'S WELL-BEING AS
19 WE WORK TOWARD DECARCERATION. THE COUNTY BOARD SHOULD HAVE
20 COMPLETE OVERSIGHT OVER THE HIRING PROCESS. THE SAME WAY Y'ALL
21 ALL VET AND APPOINT YOUR NOMINATIONS TO YOUR COMMITTEES AND
22 COMMISSIONS, Y'ALL SHOULD BE VETTING AND APPOINTING LEADERSHIP
23 WITHIN EVERY SECTOR OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO ENSURE THAT THE
24 PEOPLE WHO ARE SERVING OUR COMMUNITY ARE THE BEST. THANK YOU.
25 ON THE ROAD TO DECARCERATION AND DIVERSION OF FUNDING GOING



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1 TOWARD CARE SERVICES TO LESS RECIDIVISM. THIS IS NOT A HANDOFF

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MARCELLA ROSEN, YOUR LINE IS
5 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
6 BEGIN.

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8 **MARCELLA ROSEN:** HI, MY NAME IS MARCELLA ROSEN. I'M GOING TO BE
9 ADDRESSING AGENDA ITEM 8. I BELIEVE HYGIENE IS A HUMAN RIGHT
10 AND SOMETHING THAT EVERYONE INSIDE DESERVES REGULAR ACCESS TO.
11 IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SHOULD ALREADY BE
12 PROVIDING. AND SO IN THAT WAY, I THINK ALLOCATING MORE MONEY
13 TO THEM IN ORDER TO DO SOMETHING THAT THEY'RE ALREADY SUPPOSED
14 TO BE DOING REALLY EXEMPLIFIES THE PROBLEM WITH THE BUDGET
15 OVERALL, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET OVERALL, AND WHY IT NEEDS
16 MORE OVERSIGHT. WHERE IS THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS THEY'RE USING
17 GOING, ESPECIALLY THE AMOUNT THAT'S ALLOCATED TO THE JAILS
18 SPECIFICALLY, IF NOT TOWARDS SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS HYGIENE?
19 YEAH. KITS FOR THE PEOPLE, INSIDE. I APPRECIATE THE IDEA THAT
20 EVERYONE SHOULD GET HYGIENE KITS, BUT THE REALITY IS IT SHOULD
21 ALREADY BE BEING PROVIDED, AND THIS MOTION IS ADDRESSING
22 SOMETHING REPETITIVE WHILE ALLOCATING ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO
23 THIS DEPARTMENT.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. JENNIFER CHOW, YOUR LINE IS



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1 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
2 BEGIN.

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4 **JENNIFER CHOW:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JENNIFER CHOW. I'M
5 SPEAKING TO AGENDA ITEM 5. ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES LGBT
6 CENTER, WE THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS
7 PROCLAMATION TO DESIGNATE AUGUST 2ND THROUGH 8TH AS NATIONAL
8 HEALTH CENTER WEEK IN LOS ANGELES. WE ALSO THANK THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP TO ENSURE THAT ALL
10 ANGELENOS HAVE ACCESS TO CULTURALLY COMPETENT, HIGH-QUALITY
11 HEALTHCARE. FOR OVER 50 YEARS, THE LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER HAS
12 PROVIDED HIGH-QUALITY PRIMARY PREVENTATIVE MEDICAL AND
13 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES TO OVER 15,000 PATIENTS ANNUALLY
14 ACROSS OUR SEVEN SITES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. OVER HALF OF THE
15 CENTER'S PATIENTS ACCESS CARE THROUGH MEDI-CAL, ARE NON-WHITE
16 OR LATINA, OR ARE LGBTQ, AND COME TO THE CENTER FROM DIFFERENT
17 AREAS OF CALIFORNIA. NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE ARE GRATEFUL TO
18 LIVE AND WORK IN A COUNTY THAT RECOGNIZES THE CRITICAL ROLE
19 THAT HEALTH CENTERS PLAY IN PROVIDING CARE TO OUR MOST
20 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. YASMINE SHOUKEH, YOUR LINE IS
23 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
24 BEGIN.



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1 **YASMINE SHOUKEH:** HI, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
2 YASMINE SHOUKEH, AND I'M A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A.
3 COALITION AND A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT INTERN AT LA DEFENSA.
4 TODAY I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 11, 19, AND 21. FIRST, I URGE
5 THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 11, WHICH ADDRESSES EQUITABLE
6 AND CONSISTENT ACCESS TO HYGIENE KITS IN L.A. COUNTY JAILS.
7 ACCESS TO BASIC HYGIENE SHOULD NEVER DEPEND ON WHETHER SOMEONE
8 CAN AFFORD IT OR WHETHER THEY ARE INCARCERATED. SOAP,
9 TOOTHPASTE, DEODORANT, AND MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS AND OTHER BASIC
10 HYGIENE ITEMS ARE NECESSITIES. THEY'RE ESSENTIAL TO A PERSON'S
11 HEALTH, DIGNITY, AND SAFETY. FAMILIES SHOULD NOT HAVE TO SPEND
12 THEIR OWN MONEY TO PROVIDE THESE ITEMS THAT THE COUNTY IS
13 RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING AVAILABLE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT
14 FOR FAMILIES WHO ARE ALREADY FACING FINANCIAL HARDSHIP. A
15 CARE-FIRST APPROACH SHOULD BEGIN WITH MEETING PEOPLE'S BASIC
16 NEEDS AND TREATING EVERY PERSON WITH DIGNITY. I ALSO URGE THE
17 BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 19, WHICH STRENGTHENS THE CARE FIRST
18 AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS BUDGET POLICY. OVER 2,100,000 L.A.
19 COUNTY VOTERS SUPPORTED MEASURE J BECAUSE THEY WANTED THE
20 COUNTY TO INVEST IN CARE AND COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS RATHER
21 THAN RELYING ON INCARCERATION. CARE-FIRST INVESTMENTS SHOULD
22 BE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND GUIDED BY THE COMMUNITIES
23 THEY'RE INTENDED TO SERVE. SERVE. L.A. COUNTY SHOULD CONTINUE
24 PRIORITIZING HOUSING, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT,
25 DIVERSION, PREVENTION, AND OTHER PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS THE



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1 ROOT CAUSE OF HARM. COMMUNITIES DESERVE TO KNOW HOW CARE FIRST
2 FUNDING IS BEING CALCULATED, ALLOCATED, AND FULFILLED.
3 FINALLY, I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE NO ON ITEM 21. DECISIONS
4 THAT AFFECT TAXPAYER DOLLARS AND COUNTY SPENDING SHOULD BE
5 MADE THROUGH A TRANSPARENT PUBLIC PROCESS. THE PUBLIC DESERVES
6 TO KNOW HOW MAJOR SPENDING DECISIONS ARE MADE, ESPECIALLY WHEN
7 THOSE DECISIONS COULD IMPACT FUNDING FOR ESSENTIAL SERVICES
8 AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS. EVERY DOLLAR SPENT WITHOUT
9 MEANINGFUL PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY IS A DOLLAR THAT COULD
10 OTHERWISE BE SUPPORTING HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, YOUTH
11 PROGRAMS, DIVERSION, AND OTHER COMMUNITY NEEDS. THESE THREE
12 ITEMS ARE ULTIMATELY ABOUT WHAT L.A. COUNTY --

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ANTHONY ROBLES, YOUR LINE IS
15 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
16 BEGIN. ANTHONY ROBLES? OKAY, WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.
17 JAMES TAKAMATSU, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA
18 ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

19
20 **JAMES TAKAMATSU:** HI, YEAH, SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 11.
21 WHILE I APPRECIATE THE SENTIMENT BEHIND THE MOTION, IT DOESN'T
22 GO FAR ENOUGH AND ACTUALLY GOT WEAKENED FROM ITS ORIGINAL
23 MOTION. AND THE SHERIFFS DO NOT NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDING. THEY
24 ALREADY GET BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN PART OF
25 THEIR BUDGET. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT AND SO TO HAVE A MOTION



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1 THAT ESSENTIALLY DOUBLES DOWN ON SOMETHING THEY'RE ALREADY
2 REQUIRED TO DO WITH NO ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES INTO IT IS A
3 WASTEFUL MOTION. YOU NEED TO GO BACK AND HAVE A STRONGER
4 MOTION. THIS SHOULD BE REJECTED. NO NEW ADDITIONAL FUNDING
5 SHOULD GO TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THEY HAVE THE MONEY FOR
6 IT. THEY NEED TO JUST ALLOCATE IT TO IT INSTEAD OF JUST, YOU
7 KNOW, SPAMMING OVERTIME. THIS MOTION DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH.
8 YOU KNOW, IT'S CRAZY THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS TRYING
9 TO BUILD A NEW JAIL, BUT THEY CAN'T EVEN DO THE THINGS THAT
10 THEY'RE ALREADY REQUIRED TO DO IN THE FACILITIES THEY'RE
11 ALREADY ACCOUNTABLE FOR. NO NEW MONEY TO THE SHERIFF'S
12 DEPARTMENT. NO NEW JAILS. THANK YOU.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, ANTHONY ROBLES. YOUR LINE IS
15 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **ANTHONY ROBLES:** HELLO, I'M ADDRESSING AGENDA ITEM 11 AND
19 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. ANTHONY ROBLES IS RESIDENT. A RESIDENT
20 OF DISTRICT 1. AND THE, MY EXPERIENCE BEING IN THE L.A. COUNTY
21 JAIL, AFTER YOU GET YOUR INITIAL HYGIENE KIT, IT'S HARD TO
22 COME BY ANY MORE AFTER THAT. YOU DON'T KNOW IF YOU ASK WHEN
23 YOU'LL GET MORE HYGIENE OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. SO, THE GUYS
24 INSIDE ACTUALLY GO, AND WHEN THEY GO TO STORE, OR IF YOU RUN
25 OUT OF HYGIENE BEFORE STORE, THE GUYS THAT WENT TO STORE



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1 PREVIOUSLY USUALLY HAVE A GENERAL WELFARE BUCKET, OR WHATEVER
2 YOU WANT TO CALL IT, OF HYGIENE ITEMS TO GIVE TO OTHER GUYS
3 INSIDE WHO MAY NOT HAVE FAMILY OR MAY NOT HAVE NO MONEY ON
4 THEIR BOOKS, WHO MAY RUN OUT OF HYGIENE THEMSELVES, WHETHER
5 IT'S TOOTHPASTE OR DEODORANT OR THINGS OF THAT NATURE. SO
6 RIGHT NOW, PEOPLE INSIDE TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES WHEN THE
7 SHERIFF GETS SO MUCH MONEY AND DOESN'T EVEN DO WHAT THEY'RE
8 SUPPOSED TO BE DOING.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR IN-PERSON
11 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **BECKETT HUTCHENS:** HI, MY NAME IS BECKETT HUTCHINS AND I'M
14 SUPPORTING ITEM 13. I'VE SPENT THE LAST TWO SUMMERS DOING AN
15 OUTREACH CAMPAIGN FOR CHILD SAVINGS ACCOUNTS IN DHS CLINICS,
16 INCLUDING THE MEDICAL HUBS WITH CALKIDS AND CHUMP ACCOUNTS.
17 WHILE I FOCUSED ON ENROLLING ALL KIDS, I'VE ENCOUNTERED A FEW
18 OBSTACLES TO ENROLLMENT FOR FOSTER YOUTH. FIRST, THE LOCAL
19 REGISTRATION NUMBER ON THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE IS NEEDED FOR
20 CALKIDS NEWBORN ENROLLMENT, NOT THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER,
21 WHICH MANY RESOURCE PARENTS LACK. SECOND, MY EXPERIENCE IS
22 THAT RESOURCE PARENTS ARE RELUCTANT TO ENROLL CHILDREN IN
23 THEIR CARE BECAUSE IN ADDITION TO LACKING THE BIRTH
24 CERTIFICATE, THEY WORRY THE ACCOUNTS WILL NOT BE TRACKED IF
25 THE CHILD LEAVES THEIR CARE. AS THIS MOTION MOVES FORWARD, MY



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1 RECOMMENDATION IS THAT DCFS CONSIDER ENROLLING KIDS CENTRALLY
2 FOR ALL OF THE FUTURE FUND'S PROGRAMS. THIS CAN HELP MAXIMIZE
3 ENROLLMENT AND SUPPORT TRACKING REGARDLESS OF A CHILD'S
4 PLACEMENT. IN RESPONSE TO ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
5 MOTION, I CAN CONFIRM THAT ENROLLMENT IN CALKIDS DOES NOT
6 IMPACT ACCESS TO SOCIAL SERVICES DUE TO NET WORTH. THANK YOU.
7 FINALLY, THE UCLA CALKIDS INSTITUTE'S 101 AND 201 TRAININGS
8 CAN GIVE GUIDANCE TO STAFF ON ALL TYPES OF COLLEGE SAVINGS
9 ACCOUNTS.

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

12
13 **BARBARA OLESEN:** DEAR L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME
14 IS BARBARA OLESEN. I'M A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED CASTAIC.
15 MY HOME WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY FIREWORKS ON MARCH 1ST.
16 IT'S UNINHABITABLE. I'M 62 YEARS OLD, LOST MY HOME OF 26
17 YEARS, SECURITY, AND ALL MY BELONGINGS. DESPITE THE TOTAL LOSS
18 OF MY RESIDENCE, I FALL OUTSIDE OF THE CURRENT CITY, COUNTY,
19 STATE, AND FEDERAL DISASTER PROGRAMS. I AM RECEIVING ZERO
20 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, LEAVING ME IN AN IMPOSSIBLE FINANCIAL
21 CRISIS AND EMOTIONAL DISTRESS. I'M CURRENTLY FACING DEMOLITION
22 COSTS OF OVER \$100,000 TO CLEAR MY PROPERTY, ON TOP OF FEES
23 FROM THE, FROM THE COUNTY. SPECIFICALLY, I'M ASKING THE BOARD
24 TO WAIVE ALL DEMOLITION, PUBLIC WORKS, REGIONAL FANNING, AND
25 REBUILDING FEES. I'M DOING THIS NOT JUST ON ME, BUT BEHALF OF



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1 ALL THE OTHER FIRE VICTIMS LIKE ME THAT FALL IN THE CRACKS.
2 ALSO VERY IMPORTANT TO ADD, I'M RECEIVING DISRESPECTFUL EMAILS
3 FROM PUBLIC WORKS I HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE FIRE REPORT, SO IT'S
4 STILL AN ACTIVE CRIME SCENE. I'M ASKING YOU TO EXPAND LOCAL
5 AID TO HELP RESIDENTS LIKE ME WHO ARE UNPROTECTED FROM STATE,
6 COUNTY, AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

7

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

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10 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD MORNING. BYRON JOSE WITH THE TRANSLATINA
11 COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. AND, AND JUSTICE L.A. ITEM 11. SO
12 AFTER THE DIRECTIVE OPENING THE DOOR FOR YET MORE FUNDING FROM
13 THE CEO, TO THE SHERIFF, COULDN'T WAIT TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL
14 BUDGET. GOT TO RUSH THROUGH THAT. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE
15 DIRECTIVES WERE STRUCK OUT FROM THIS MOTION AFTER THAT. DIRECT
16 THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER AND IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL
17 TO REVIEW AND AUDIT THE INMATE WELLNESS FUND. DIRECTIVE THREE:
18 DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL AND RISK MANAGEMENT TO PROVIDE IN-DEPTH
19 TRAINING TO LASD REGARDING THIS INMATE WELLNESS FUND. WE'RE
20 NOT ASKING FOR ABOLITION IN TERMS OF DEFUNDING THE SHERIFF,
21 EVEN THOUGH WE SHOULD. WE NEED TO DEFUND THE SHERIFF BEFORE IT
22 CONTINUES TO DEFUND THIS WHOLE COUNTY, EVERY DEPARTMENT,
23 HOUSING, HEALTH SERVICES, EVERYTHING THAT OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS.
24 THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO. AND WE DO NOT NEED TO CONTINUE
25 BUILDING THEIR BUDGET AND THESE BARRIERS AND MECHANISMS THAT



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1 FUTURE GENERATIONS WILL HAVE TO DISMANTLE. THANK YOU.

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3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO REMOTE
4 CALLERS. BROOKLYN CARTER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE
5 AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

6

7 **BROOKLYN CARTER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BROOKLYN CARTER, AND
8 I'M A RESIDENT OF SD2 AND A MEMBER OF LA DEFENSA. I'M HERE
9 TODAY TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS 11 AND 21 AND TO DEMAND THAT
10 OUR PUBLIC POLICIES AND SPENDING TRULY REFLECT THE VALUES OF
11 JUSTICE, CARE, AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. STARTING WITH ITEM
12 11, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION TO THE
13 BOARD. BEING INCARCERATED SHOULD NOT TAKE AWAY YOUR HUMANITY.
14 YET HERE I AM TODAY PUBLICLY SHOWING SUPPORT FOR ITEM TO
15 INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS IN L.A.
16 COUNTY RECEIVING EVERYDAY HYGIENE PRODUCTS LIKE SOAP,
17 TOOTHPASTE, AND MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS. PLACING CARE FIRST MEANS
18 HEALTH, SAFETY, AND DIGNITY ARE A PRIORITY. WHEN PUBLIC
19 INSTITUTIONS DO NOT SUCCESSFULLY MEET THEIR LEGAL
20 RESPONSIBILITIES IN PROVIDING WHAT THE LAW ALREADY REQUIRES,
21 WHERE THEY FALL SHORT BECOMES A BURDEN OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
22 INCARCERATED AND THEIR FAMILIES. THIS IS A HUGE ISSUE.
23 FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY ONES WHO ARE— WHO MORE TIMES THAN NOT ARE
24 ALREADY FINANCIALLY STRUGGLING, SHOULD NOT BE PROVIDING
25 FUNDING FOR THE SHORTCOMINGS AND UNFULFILLED PROMISES OF THE



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1 COUNTY. TAKE RESPONSIBILITY AND UPHOLD YOUR COMMITMENTS TO THE
2 INCARCERATED CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY. FOR ITEM 21, TAXPAYER
3 DOLLARS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE DECIDED ON BEHIND
4 CLOSED DOORS. THE PUBLIC HAS A RIGHT TO KNOW WHERE AND WHAT
5 THE DOLLARS ARE FUNDING. THIS MEASURE WOULD REMOVE THE ABILITY
6 FOR THE PUBLIC TO LEARN AND INFLUENCE THE OUTCOME OF THE
7 DECISIONS BEING MADE WITHIN THEIR COUNTY. THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS WERE ELECTED TO ADVOCATE FOR THE CITIZENS OF L.A.
9 COUNTY, YET OUR VOICES CONTINUE TO BE MINIMIZED AND UNHEARD
10 WHILE LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTINUES TO RECEIVE MORE AND MORE
11 FUNDING. WITH THIS MEASURE MAKING IT EVEN HARDER TO INFLUENCE
12 AND MAKE DECISIONS ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROBATION UNIONS,
13 THESE DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS CAN REMOVE
14 DOLLARS THAT SHOULD BE USED FOR CARE-FIRST PRIORITIES LIKE
15 MENTAL HEALTH CARE, HOMELESS SERVICES, AND VIOLENCE
16 PREVENTION. OVERALL, BUDGET DECISIONS SHOULD REMAIN ELECT WITH
17 ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO MUST CONSIDER ALL COUNTY NEEDS, NOT JUST
18 ONES FOR BARGAINING AGREEMENTS. THANK YOU. CARE FIRST, JAILS
19 LAST.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MASON FOWLER. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
22 PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

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24 **MASON FOWLER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MASON FOWLER, AND I WILL BE
25 SPEAKING TODAY ON AGENDA ITEMS 11 AND 19. I'M A RESIDENT OF SD



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1 TWO, ALSO A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE. COALITION AND INTERNAL
2 LAW DEFENSE AS WELL. SPEAKING ON 11 FIRST, LIKE THE LAST
3 SPEAKER JUST TALKED ABOUT, CARE FIRST APPROACH STARTS WITH
4 MAKING SURE PEOPLE'S BASIC NEEDS ARE MET. NO ONE SHOULD HAVE
5 TO WORRY ABOUT WHETHER THEY HAVE ACCESS TO SOAP, TOOTHPASTE,
6 DEODORANT, OR OTHER NECESSITIES THAT YOU MAY NEED WHILE BEING
7 INCARCERATED. THESE AREN'T PRIVILEGES, THESE ARE BASIC
8 NECESSITIES. THINKING ABOUT THE FAMILIES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE
9 INCARCERATED, MANY FAMILIES ARE ALREADY DEALING WITH FINANCIAL
10 CHALLENGES AND SHOULD NOT HAVE TO SPEND THEIR OWN MONEY TO
11 PROVIDE ITEMS THAT THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING.
12 WHEN THE COUNTY DOESN'T MEET THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES, THIS
13 BURDEN FALLS ON THOSE FAMILIES WHO MAY ALREADY BE STRUGGLING
14 FINANCIALLY. NO MATTER WHY SOMEONE IS IN JAIL, THEY ARE STILL
15 HUMAN BEINGS AT THE END OF THE DAY. EVERYONE DESERVES ACCESS
16 TO BASIC HYGIENE AND THE DIGNITY THAT COMES WITH THAT. MAKING
17 SURE PEOPLE HAVE THESE ESSENTIAL ITEMS IS A SIMPLE STEP THAT
18 CAN IMPROVE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE. AND
19 THEN SPEAKING ON AGENDA NUMBER 18, 19, MORE THAN 2,100,000 LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS SUPPORT MEASURE J. BECAUSE THEY WANTED A
21 DIFFERENT VISION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. THEY VOTED FOR INVESTMENTS
22 IN CARE, BUT NOT INCARCERATION. THE COUNTY SHOULD CONTINUE
23 HONORING THAT COMMITMENT THROUGH TRANSPARENT INFORMATION AND
24 MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY INVESTMENT. EXCUSE ME. TO ME, BUDGETS
25 REFLECT OUR VALUES. WHEN THE COUNTY INVESTS IN HOUSING, YOUTH



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1 DEVELOPMENT, BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, VIOLENCE PREVENTION
2 PROGRAMS, AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, IT HELPS ADDRESS THE
3 ROOT CAUSE OF HARM BEFORE PEOPLE ENTER THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. AT
4 THE SAME TIME, COMMUNITIES DESERVE CONFIDENCE THAT THESE
5 INVESTMENTS ARE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, SUSTAINABLE, AND
6 GUIDED BY COMMUNITY VOICES. THIS BUDGET IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
7 STRENGTHEN ALL THOSE THINGS. COUNTY IS COMMITTED TO INVESTING
8 AT LEAST 10% OF UNRESTRICTED NET COUNTY COSTS INTO CARE FIRST
9 PRIORITIES, BUT COMMUNITY MEMBERS SHOULD BE ABLE TO CLEARLY
10 UNDERSTAND HOW THAT 10% IS CALCULATED. TRANSPARENCY SHOULD NOT
11 REQUIRE RESIDENTS TO SEARCH THROUGH HUNDREDS OF PAGES OF
12 BUDGET DOCUMENTS TO UNDERSTAND WHERE PUBLIC DOLLARS ARE GOING.
13 CARE FIRST IS MORE THAN BUDGET POLICY. THANK YOU, GUYS.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 310,
16 LAST TWO DIGITS 65, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME,
17 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING, AND BEGIN.

18
19 **JAMES NELSON:** YEAH, HOW YOU DOING? MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON.
20 I'M WITH DPN JUSTICE L.A. I'M SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM 11 AND
21 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS. I'M FORMERLY INCARCERATED. I WAS ONCE
22 INSIDE OF MCJ, AND TO KNOW THAT FOLKS IS NOT GETTING HYGIENE
23 KITS IN THERE IS A SHAME BECAUSE AGAIN, THEY'RE GETTING
24 FUNDING TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE KITS IS BEING PASSED OUT. BUT
25 AT THE SAME TIME, BY HAVING INSIDE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT HOW A



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1 BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED INSIDE OF MCJ, COULD THESE HYGIENE KITS
2 BE USED AS PUNITIVE MEASURES WHERE THEY PUNISH PEOPLE AND NOT
3 GIVE THEM THESE KITS? I THINK ALSO WE NEED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT
4 IWF. HOW IS THOSE FUNDS GENERATED? AND THEN WHY THEY ARE NOT
5 BEING USED TO SERVICE THE NEEDS OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT'S
6 INSIDE OF THERE? AND AGAIN, IT'S JUST ANOTHER TASK FOR THE
7 POLICE TO ASK FOR MORE MONEY. MORE MONEY, MORE MONEY. AS
8 SOMEBODY ELSE SAID, HOW IN THE WORLD IS THEY TALKING ABOUT
9 BUILDING A NEW CAMP?

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MIA COLEMAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
12 PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN.

13

14 **MIA COLEMAN:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MIA COLEMAN AND I'M HERE
15 WITH THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 11,
16 19, AND 21. I WOULD LIKE TO ECHO THE OTHER SENTIMENTS THAT
17 HAVE BEEN UPLIFTED STATING THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
18 SHOULD NOT RECEIVE ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO PROVIDE MENSTRUAL
19 PRODUCTS. IT SHOULD BE TAKEN FROM THE BUDGET THAT THEY ALREADY
20 HAVE. GIVING LASD MORE FUNDING TO PROVIDE A LEGAL REQUIREMENT
21 IS DETRIMENTAL TO OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND TO THE FAMILIES
22 OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE. FOR AGENDA ITEM 19, I SUPPORT UPDATING
23 THE CAREFIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT BUDGET POLICY BECAUSE IT
24 AFFIRMS THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO MEASURE J. BUT PASSING A
25 POLICY IS NOT ENOUGH. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE IT'S IMPLEMENTED



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1 WITH TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. COMMUNITIES DESERVE TO
2 KNOW HOW THE COUNTY CALCULATES 10% CARE FIRST INVESTMENT.
3 PLEASE FOCUS ON TRANSPARENCY AND PUTTING THE COMMUNITY FIRST.
4 IT'S NOT FAIR THAT THE COMMUNITY IS ALLOCATED THE LEFTOVERS OF
5 THE COUNTY'S NCC DOLLARS. COULD I HAVE MY OTHER MINUTE FOR MY
6 AGENDA ITEMS, PLEASE? FOR ITEM 21, I URGE YOU TO REJECT THIS
7 MEASURE BECAUSE DECISIONS ABOUT HOW BILLIONS OF TAXPAYER
8 DOLLARS ARE SPENT SHOULD REMAIN TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE TO
9 THE PUBLIC. WHILE COUNTY WORKERS DESERVE FAIR WAGES AND GOOD
10 FAITH NEGOTIATIONS, THIS PROPOSAL WOULD SHIFT THE FINAL
11 DECISION ON CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY LABOR DISPUTES AWAY FROM THE
12 ELECTED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND INTO A BINDING ARBITRATION
13 PROCESS. ONCE THAT DECISION BECOMES FINAL, THE BOARD CANNOT
14 APPROVE OR REJECT IT. THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ELECTED
15 YOU TO MAKE DIFFICULT BUDGET DECISIONS BY BALANCING
16 INVESTMENTS IN PUBLIC SAFETY WITH HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH,
17 HEALTHCARE, YOUTH PROGRAMS, AND OTHER ESSENTIAL SERVICES.
18 THOSE CHOICES SHOULD BE MADE IN PUBLIC WITH PUBLIC INPUT AND
19 PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, NOT BY AN UNELECTED ARBITRATION PANEL.
20 PLEASE PROTECT TRANSPARENCY, PRESERVE DEMOCRATIC OVERSIGHT,
21 AND KEEP FINAL BUDGET AUTHORITY WITH THE PUBLIC AND THE BOARD
22 OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ZINNIA MORENO, YOUR LINE IS
25 OPEN. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND



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1 BEGIN.

2

3 **ZINNIA MORENO:** HI, I'M HERE TO ADDRESS 11, 19, AND 21. MY NAME
4 IS ZINNIA MORENO AND I'M A RESIDENT OF SD 3, A LA DEFENSA
5 INTERN AND SOCIAL WORK STUDENT AT UCLA. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE
6 SPIRIT OF ITEM 11 BECAUSE INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS ARE STILL
7 HUMAN BEINGS DESERVING OF DIGNITY JUST LIKE YOU AND I, BUT I
8 FIND THE OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTER'S POINTS ABOUT THE MISUSE OF
9 BILLIONS IN FUNDS ALREADY ALLOCATED TO BE INCREDIBLY
10 COMPELLING AND WORTH FURTHER INVESTIGATION. STILL, I WANT TO
11 THANK EACH SUPERVISOR TO THINK ABOUT HOW MANY DAYS YOU
12 PERSONALLY ALLOW TO PASS WITHOUT BRUSHING YOUR TEETH OR
13 WASHING YOUR BODY BEFORE YOU NO LONGER FEEL LIKE A HUMAN BEING
14 AND YOU MOVE ACCORDINGLY. AS FOR 19, CARE FIRST, I WANTED TO
15 ASK NOT JUST ALL OF YOU BUT SPECIFICALLY THE SUPERVISOR FOR MY
16 DISTRICT, WHO IS LINDSEY HORVATH, TO VOTE YES. CARE FIRST
17 INVESTMENTS NEED TO BE TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND GUIDED BY
18 COMMUNITY VOICES. OUR BUDGETARY STANCES ON INCARCERATION ARE
19 TRULY MATTERS OF LIFE AND DEATH. THAT DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF
20 NOT JUST THAT DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF EVERY GENERATION THAT
21 FOLLOWS OURS, NOT JUST NUMBERS ON SPREADSHEETS. IF CARE IS NOT
22 PRIORITIZED FIRST, IT DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN LAST, IT NEVER
23 HAPPENS AT ALL. FINALLY, I AM AGAINST ITEM 21 BECAUSE, AGAIN,
24 TRANSPARENCY IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS
25 DO NOT DESERVE SECRECY AROUND THEIR SETTLEMENTS OR FOR THE



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1 DETAILS TO BE MADE PUBLIC ONLY AFTER SETTLEMENTS HAVE BEEN
2 DECIDED. SINCE WE ARE THE ONES WHO PERSONALLY HAVE TO FOOT THE
3 BILL. THANK YOU.

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5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
6 LAST TWO DIGITS 25, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME,
7 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING, AND BEGIN.

8

9 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BAILEY BROOKS
10 HENRY. I'M A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK
11 SOCIAL WORKERS OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES. I'M ADDRESSING ITEM
12 NUMBER 17. I BELIEVE THIS IS A DISSERVICE --

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM NUMBER 17 WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION.
15 YOU CAN COME BACK DURING THAT TIME.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323, LAST
18 TWO DIGITS 74, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
19 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND BEGIN. CALLER, YOUR
20 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND THE AGENDA ITEMS
21 YOU'RE ADDRESSING.

22

23 **ERIKA GARCIA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE CONTINUE.



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2 **ERIKA GARCIA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THAT CONCLUDES THE
7 TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE NEED TO JUST WAIT A MOMENT FOR
10 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO COME BACK INTO THE ROOM SO WE CAN VOTE ON
11 THESE ITEMS. OKAY, YOU BEAT US. OKAY, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH, TO APPROVE THESE
13 ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

15

16 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. THE
17 FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3, 5 THROUGH
18 11, 13 WITH SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HORVATH ABSTAINING FROM THE
19 VOTE. ITEM 14, ITEM 16, ITEM 18 THROUGH 20, ITEM 21 WITH
20 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL VOTING NO. ITEMS 24 THROUGH 32, ITEMS 34
21 AND 35, ITEM 36 AND 37, WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL VOTING NO,
22 ITEMS 38 THROUGH 58, ITEM 59B, ITEM 63, AND ITEM 1D THROUGH
23 3D. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL TAKE A SEPARATE VOTE ON ITEM 64.
24 THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
2 ROLL .

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4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

7

8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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

11

12 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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

15

16 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE .

19

20 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

21

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

23

24 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW VOTE
25 ON THE SEPARATE MATTER ITEM. ITEM NUMBER 64 IS BEFORE YOU.



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

5

6 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

7

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

9

10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

11

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

13

14 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

15

16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

17

18 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

19

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

21

22 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
25 THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, NOPE, THAT'S NOT CORRECT.



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2 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, PLEASE
3 NOTE A CHANGE IN THE MEETING ORDER. WE WILL HEAR ITEMS 4 AND
4 59A, THEN ITEM 17. ALL OTHER ITEMS WILL BE HEARD IN THE ORDER
5 STATED BEFORE. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 4, MOTION TO
6 PROCLAIM AUGUST 7, 2026 AS PURPLE HEART DAY THROUGHOUT LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY, AND ITEM 59A DECLARING LOS ANGELES COUNTY A
8 PURPLE HEART CITY, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR
9 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE
10 ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR
11 PRESS *3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. COMMANDER ZEFERINO JOHN MADRIGAL
12 III OF THE CALIFORNIA MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART IS
13 PRESENT AND AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR
18 CO-AUTHORING BOTH OF THESE MOTIONS TODAY. COLLEAGUES, TODAY WE
19 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A LASTING COMMITMENT TO THE MEN
20 AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SACRIFICED SO MUCH FOR OUR COUNTRY. THE
21 PURPLE HEART IS UNLIKE ANY OTHER MILITARY DECORATION. IT IS
22 NOT AWARDED FOR ACHIEVEMENT OR YEARS OF SERVICE. IT IS EARNED
23 THROUGH SACRIFICE AND IS PRESENTED TO THOSE WHO WERE WOUNDED
24 OR KILLED IN COMBAT WHILE DEFENDING THE FREEDOMS THAT WE ENJOY
25 TODAY. THAT IS WHY TODAY'S MOTIONS ARE SO IMPORTANT. OUR FIRST



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1 MOTION PROCLAIMS AUGUST 7TH AS PURPLE HEART DAY IN LOS ANGELES
2 COUNTY, ENSURING THAT WE PAUSE TO RECOGNIZE THE EXTRAORDINARY
3 COURAGE AND SACRIFICE OF PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS AND THEIR
4 FAMILIES. THE SECOND MOTION DOES SOMETHING EVEN MORE
5 SIGNIFICANT. IT PERMANENTLY DESIGNATES LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A
6 PURPLE HEART COUNTY. NOW, THAT DESIGNATION IS MORE THAN JUST A
7 TITLE. VISITORS ENTERING LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL KNOW THAT WE
8 HONOR OUR COMBAT-WOUNDED VETERANS THROUGH PURPLE HEART COUNTY
9 SIGNAGE AT KEY LOCATIONS. IT ALLOWS OUR DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY
10 AND VETERANS AFFAIRS TO WORK ALONGSIDE THE MILITARY ORDER OF
11 THE PURPLE HEART AND LOCAL VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS TO ORGANIZE
12 ANNUAL COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND
13 RECOGNITION CEREMONIES, SO FUTURE GENERATIONS UNDERSTAND THE
14 SACRIFICES MADE BY THESE HEROES. AND IT WILL FURTHER
15 STRENGTHEN OUR BOB HOPE PATRIOTIC HALL AS ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S
16 PREMIER PLACES DEDICATED TO HONORING MILITARY SERVICE. THIS
17 MOTION ALSO DIRECTS THE CREATION OF A PERMANENT MEMORIAL TO
18 RECOGNIZE EVERY PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT. FROM LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY, ENSURING THAT THEIR NAMES AND THEIR SACRIFICES ARE
20 PRESERVED FOR GENERATIONS TO COME, INCLUDING VETERANS LIKE
21 RUBEN VALENCIA, WHO IS IN OUR AUDIENCE TODAY, OR LIKE LUIS
22 DOMINGUEZ, MY FRIEND AND SAN PEDRO RESIDENT WHOSE NAME GRACES
23 THE LUIS DOMINGUEZ VETERANS CENTER IN SAN PEDRO, WHICH SERVES
24 OUR UNHOUSED VETERANS. TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS WORK, THE
25 MOTION CALLS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. HOWEVER,



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1 TO KEEP THIS PLAN ALIGNED WITH THIS CORE PURPOSE, I AM
2 STRIKING DIRECTIVE 6A DIRECTING THE RELOCATION OF THE STATUE
3 OF GEORGE WASHINGTON, WHO ESTABLISHED WHAT WOULD BECOME THE
4 PURPLE HEART ON AUGUST 7, 1782. AND ALTHOUGH THERE IS
5 MEANINGFUL CONNECTION BETWEEN OUR NATION'S FIRST COMMANDER-IN-
6 CHIEF AND THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO'VE EARNED THIS
7 DISTINGUISHED DECORATION, THE STATUE IS AN IMPORTANT HISTORIC
8 ARTIFACT, AND BEFORE DIRECTING ITS RELOCATION, WE WANT TO
9 BETTER UNDERSTAND THE LOGISTICAL, STRUCTURAL, CONSERVATION,
10 AND OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED IN MOVING AND
11 REINSTALLING THAT STATUE. AND NOW I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE
12 COMMANDER ZEFERINO JOHN MADRIGAL III, COMMANDER OF THE
13 CALIFORNIA MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART, AND A PURPLE
14 HEART RECIPIENT WHO TRULY UNDERSTANDS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS
15 DESIGNATION. COMMANDER MAGICAL HAS DEDICATED COUNTLESS HOURS
16 HONORING PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND
17 SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES ACROSS OUR COUNTY TO ACHIEVE PURPLE
18 HEART DESIGNATIONS. COMMANDER, WE INVITE YOU TO SHARE A FEW
19 WORDS ABOUT WHAT THIS DESIGNATION MEANS.

20
21 **ZEFERINO JOHN MADRIGAL III:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR. AND MEMBERS
22 OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ZEPHYRINO
23 JOHN MADRIGAL III. I SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, AND NOW
24 I AM A COMBAT VETERAN WHO'S RECEIVED THE PURPLE HEART. I NOW
25 LEAD THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART AS THE COMMANDER



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1 OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR JEN HAN, FOR
2 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND INVITING ME HERE TODAY. THANK
3 YOU, IVAN. THANK YOU, THE SUPERVISOR STAFF, FOR INCLUDING THIS
4 IMPORTANT MOMENT, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE TWO LOCAL PATRIOTS,
5 RUBEN VALENCIA AND HIS WIFE, AND THE VETERANS' FAMILIES, AND
6 THEY'RE PRESENT HERE TODAY. THIS IS GRASSROOTS MEMBERSHIP WHO
7 KEEP THIS ORGANIZATION AND MISSION STRONG IN OUR COMMUNITIES.
8 THAT INVITATION MEANS TO US SOMETHING SPECIAL. IT SHOWS THAT
9 L.A. COUNTY IS INCLUDING COMBAT VETERANS IN DECISIONS. THIS
10 MEANS MORE THAN A TITLE ON A DOCUMENT. THIS IS MARKING THE
11 BEGINNING OF A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY, OUR VETERANS,
12 OUR FAMILIES, AND OUR COMMUNITIES. I'M NOT STANDING HERE
13 BEFORE YOU TODAY BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT PURPLE HEART
14 RECIPIENTS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN OUR VETERANS. EVERY VETERAN
15 WHO SERVED HONORABLY DESERVES OUR RESPECT. PURPLE HEART STANDS
16 FOR A SERVICE MEMBER WHO SACRIFICED AND SHOULD INSPIRE RESPECT
17 AND GRATITUDE FROM OUR COMMUNITIES. IT REPRESENTS A MOMENT
18 WHEN SERVICE BECAME A SACRIFICE. A PURPLE HEART IS NOT GIVEN
19 FOR FINISHING A TRAINING PROGRAM OR A CERTAIN RANK. IT IS NOT
20 SOMETHING ANYONE SEEKS OUT. IT'S RECEIVED BECAUSE A SERVICE
21 MEMBER WAS KILLED OR WOUNDED IN ACTION DEFENDING THIS COUNTRY.
22 IT IS RECEIVED THE MEDAL, FAMILY MIGHT RECEIVE A MEDAL. SOME
23 CARRY A MEDAL. BUT THE STORIES LAST A LIFETIME. OTHER SERVICE
24 MEMBERS CARRY ON INVISIBLE WOUNDS SUCH AS TRAUMATIC BRAIN
25 INJURY, CHRONIC PAIN, SLEEPLESS NIGHTS, MEMORIES THEY CANNOT



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1 ESCAPE. WOUNDS THAT AFFECT THEIR MARRIAGE, THEIR FAMILY, THEIR
2 CHILDREN, AND THEIR JOBS, AND PART OF DAILY LIFE. SOME CAME
3 STRUGGLING HOME WITH THINGS THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO BURDEN
4 OTHERS WITH THEIR STORIES, AND SOME NEVER CAME HOME AT ALL.
5 THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVED A SMALL MEDAL WITH THEIR NAME ON IT,
6 THAT'S WHY DECLARING L.A. COUNTY A PURPLE HEART COUNTY IS SO
7 IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMITMENT AND HONORING THOSE WHO SACRIFICED.
8 L.A. COUNTY IS ONE OF THE LARGEST COUNTIES IN THE COUNTRY WHO
9 HAVE THE MOST POPULATED MEN AND WOMEN HERE. THEY CAME FROM
10 DIFFERENT CITIES, THEY CAME FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES. THEY EVEN
11 SPOKE DIFFERENT LANGUAGES AT HOME. THEY EVEN MIGHT HAVE HAD
12 DIFFERENT POLITICAL BELIEFS, BUT THEY PUT ON THE UNIFORM AND
13 ALL SERVED UNDER ONE FLAG. THEIR WOUNDS, THEIR BLOODSHED WAS
14 NO DIFFERENT. THIS DESIGNATION TELLS VETERANS IN LOS ANGELES
15 THAT PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS, WHEN THEY SEE A SIGN ON A COUNTY
16 BUILDING OR ENTRANCE, YOUR SACRIFICE WAS PART OF HISTORY FOR
17 THIS COUNTY. IT TELLS THE WIDOWS, PARENTS, CHILDREN, FAMILY,
18 AND SOMEBODY WHO DIDN'T RETURN THAT WE LOVED YOU AND YOU'RE
19 NOT FORGOTTEN. THIS MOTION CALLS FOR THE PURPLE HEART SIGNS,
20 ANNUAL EVENTS, EDUCATIONAL OUTREACHES, VETERANS CEREMONIES,
21 AND ONGOING WORK WITH THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART
22 AND LOCAL GROUPS. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DESIGNATION. IT SHOULD
23 BE A LASTING SYMBOL OF OUR COMMITMENT AND NOT JUST A ONE-TIME
24 GESTURE. THIS DESIGNATION MEANS THE MOST RESIDENTS SEE IT,
25 LEARN FROM IT, AND TAKE PART IN HONORING OUR VETERANS. A CHILD



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1 MAY SEE A PURPLE HEART COUNTY SIGN AND ASK THE PARENTS AND
2 TEACHERS, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? THE QUESTION GIVES US A CHANCE
3 TO TEACH THE NEXT GENERATION WHAT REAL PEOPLE PROTECT OUR
4 FREEDOM. PEOPLE'S MOTHERS, FATHERS, PEOPLE WITH HUSBANDS,
5 WIVES, AND CHILDREN. PEOPLE WITH PLANS FOR THEIR FUTURE.
6 PEOPLE WITH A WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THOSE FUTURE RISKS FOR ALL
7 OF US. THIS MOTION IS RECOGNIZED AS A VERY SPECIAL PLACE AT
8 THE BOB HOPE PATRIOTIC HALL. THE PERSPECTIVE MOVEMENT OF THE
9 STATUE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON STATUE AT THE PURPLE HEART INN
10 IS CREATING A LASTING TRIBUTE AND CONNECTS THE HISTORY WITH
11 OUR LOCAL HEROES. I'VE WORKED WITH PURPLE HEART CITY
12 RECOGNITIONS AND SEEN THIS HAPPEN WHERE COMMUNITIES TAKE UP
13 THE STEP. VETERANS START FINDING ONE ANOTHER. FAMILIES BRING
14 FORWARD PHOTOGRAPHS AND STORIES OF THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS. LOCAL
15 LEADERS START TALKING ABOUT PURPLE HEART PARKING SPACES,
16 SIGNS, AND CEREMONIES IN SCHOOLS. AND OTHER WAYS TO PROVIDE
17 HONOR FOR SERVICEMEN. VETERANS WHO FELT ALONE AND RECOGNIZED
18 THAT THERE IS STILL THAT SOMEONE STILL CARES, THAT THE
19 RECOGNITION CAN OPEN NEW DOORS. SOMETIMES A VETERAN NOT EVEN
20 ASKING FOR HELP, BUT VETERANS MAY ATTEND A CEREMONY AND HE
21 MIGHT MEET OTHER VETERANS. TODAY, THIS BOARD BRINGS THE CHANCE
22 TO MAKE THOSE WORDS PERMANENT ON BEHALF OF THE MILITARY WORLD
23 OF THE PURPLE HEART OF CALIFORNIA. OUR CHAPTERS, AND OUR
24 COMBAT WOUNDED VETERANS, OUR FALLEN SERVICE MEMBERS, AND THE
25 FAMILIES WHO STOOD BEHIND THEM DURING THIS AND AFTER OUR



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1 SERVICE. WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD TO APPROVE THIS MOTION
2 AND OFFICIALLY DECLARE L.A. COUNTY AS A PURPLE HEART COUNTY.
3 PLEASE LET THIS MEAN MORE THAN A CEREMONY. LET THIS START AN
4 EVERLASTING PARTNERSHIP. YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN. YOUR WOUNDS
5 ARE NOT FORGOTTEN. MAY GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS, OUR GOLD STAR
6 FAMILIES, L.A. COUNTY, AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, COMMANDER MADRIGAL. COLLEAGUES,
10 AS YOU'VE HEARD, WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO JOIN
11 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION DECLARING THAT THE COURAGE, THE
12 SACRIFICE, AND THE SERVICE OF OUR PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS WILL
13 NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. AND SUPERVISOR, I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO SAY
14 A FEW WORDS, BUT I MEANT TO START MY REMARKS BY THANKING
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THE COURTESY IN ALLOWING THIS ITEM TO
16 GO FIRST ON OUR AGENDA TODAY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH,
19 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR INVITING ME TO JOIN YOU AS A CO-AUTHOR.
20 AND I TOO WANT TO SALUTE THE PURPLE HEART INDIVIDUALS THAT
21 HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIFE AND THOSE THAT ARE CURRENTLY SERVING OR
22 CURRENTLY WITH THEIR FAMILIES. I HAD THE PLEASURE OF SEEING
23 MANY OF OUR FRIENDS IN EAST LOS ANGELES JUST AT GARFIELD HIGH
24 SCHOOL AT THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL, AND THERE WERE MANY PROUD
25 PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS THAT WERE THERE AND MANY THAT WERE



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1 RECOGNIZED AND WILL ALWAYS BE IN OUR HEARTS. AND I HAVE TO
2 SAY, THAT YOU'RE CORRECT IN SAYING THAT MOST OF THOSE PURPLE
3 HEART HONOREES, WE HAVE THE LARGEST PROPORTION HERE IN LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY, AND ESPECIALLY IN COMMUNITIES LIKE EAST LOS
5 ANGELES. AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT IS A HISTORICAL FACT. AND
6 I HOPE PEOPLE WILL UNDERSTAND THAT, THAT OUR COMMUNITY,
7 LATINOS, MEXICAN AMERICAN, WE STAND UP, WE PROTECT OUR
8 COUNTRY. AND WHEN WE'RE CALLED TO SERVICE, WE TAKE IT ON, NOT
9 KNOWING AT ANY MOMENT THAT YOUR LIFE CAN BE TAKEN WHEN YOU'RE
10 OUT ON THE BATTLEFIELD OR DOING YOUR JOB IN ANOTHER PLACE. SO
11 WE HONOR YOU. WE WANT TO THANK THE FAMILIES THAT ARE HERE. I,
12 TOO, WANT TO SALUTE YOU AND RUBEN VALENCIA AND HIS WIFE, WHO I
13 JUST SAW THIS WEEKEND. AND THANK YOU FOR THE WONDERFUL PIN
14 THAT YOU JUST GAVE US. I HOPE YOU HAVE MORE TO SHARE WITH MY
15 COLLEAGUES AS WELL. BUT I WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
16 FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THAT BEFORE THE WALL THAT I, THAT I
17 VISITED THIS SATURDAY, IT'S NOTED THERE THAT THERE ARE OVER
18 700 GARFIELD VETERANS, GRADUATES OF THAT HIGH SCHOOL THAT GO
19 AS FAR BACK AS WORLD WAR, PROBABLY WORLD WAR I, WORLD WAR II.
20 AND WE'RE REMINDED OF HOW IMPORTANT THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE,
21 THEIR FAMILIES, AND THE SACRIFICES. MANY WERE VERY YOUNG MEN
22 AND MANY DID NOT COME BACK IN THOSE WARS. A NAME ON THE
23 MONUMENT FOR ME IS NEVER JUST A NAME. IT REPRESENTS A LIFE. IT
24 REPRESENTS A FAMILY. IT REPRESENTS A NEIGHBORHOOD, AND IT
25 REPRESENTS OUR CULTURE, AND THAT DESERVES TO BE CARRIED



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1 FORWARD. SO THAT'S WHY TODAY'S RECOGNITION OF THE PURPLE HEART
2 IS SO MEANINGFUL. AS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE HOUSE, I RECALL
3 HAVING MANY VISITS BY THE PURPLE HEART AUTHORITY AND WORKING
4 ALONGSIDE YOU EVEN AT THE. CABINET LEVEL AT THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 LABOR, BECAUSE WE ALSO HAVE A MILITARY OFFICE THERE THAT
6 RECOGNIZES OUR VETERANS, AND ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT WERE
7 DISABLED AND THOSE THAT NEEDED ADDITIONAL WORKFORCE TRAINING
8 THAT WERE COMING BACK FROM COMBAT FROM THE IRAQ WAR AT THAT
9 TIME. AND NOW WE KNOW EVEN MORE SO THAT WE NEED THAT TO
10 HAPPEN, TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT BEFORE US. I WANT TO
11 RECOGNIZE ALL THOSE WHO EXPERIENCED THE REALITIES OF WAR
12 FIRSTHAND. AND THOSE WHO ENDURED THOSE INJURIES IN DEFENSE OF
13 OUR COUNTRY. AND IN THOSE MANY CASES, AS WE KNOW, THEY DIDN'T
14 ALL COME HOME. AND WE KEEP THOSE IN OUR HEART. IT'S A REMINDER
15 THAT THE FREEDOMS WE OFTEN TAKE FOR GRANTED HAVE NOT ALWAYS
16 DEPENDED ON THE COURAGE OF PEOPLE, BUT A WILLINGNESS FOR
17 PEOPLE TO PUT THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY. THAT'S WHAT COURAGE IS
18 ALL ABOUT. THAT'S WHAT THE PURPLE HEART SIGNIFIES AS WELL.
19 THEY DIDN'T THINK ABOUT IT, AS YOU SAID THAT THEY WERE GOING
20 TO GET ANYTHING OUT OF THEIR SERVICE. BUT THIS IS WHAT WE DO
21 TO HELP REPRESENT THEM. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU, JOIN YOU AND
22 ALL OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY TO HELP CONTINUE THE
23 CELEBRATION DECLARING LOS ANGELES COUNTY A PURPLE HEART COUNTY
24 THAT BUILDS ON THAT TRADITION. HALLELUJAH! IT ENSURES, IT
25 ENSURES THAT THE SACRIFICES OF PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS ARE NOT



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1 ONLY HONORED TODAY BUT REMEMBERED FOR FUTURE AND BY FUTURE
2 GENERATIONS. AND IT REFLECTS THAT WE KNOW THAT LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY AND OUR VETERANS DO NOT STOP SERVING. THEY CONTINUE,
4 AND THEIR FAMILIES CONTINUE, AND THEY PARTICIPATE IN CIVIC
5 EXPRESSION AND WELL-BEING OF OUR COMMUNITY. SO WE THANK YOU. I
6 JUST WANT TO SAY AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR
7 BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND ALSO FOR THE VERY COURAGEOUS AND
8 VALUED MEMBERS OF THE PURPLE HEART COMMUNITY, BUT ALL OUR
9 MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE SERVING US TODAY HERE AT HOME
10 AND ABROAD, AND THOSE THAT GAVE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE FOR
11 THEIR COMMUNITIES AND OUR FREEDOM. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS
12 YOU. OKAY, WITH THAT, I WILL GO TO MY COLLEAGUES. I HAVE
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER IN THE QUEUE.

14
15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN
16 AND SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. AND THANK YOU,
17 COMMANDER FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THIS NATION. AS YOU STATED, L.A.
18 COUNTY IS ONE OF THE LARGEST VETERAN POPULATIONS IN THE
19 COUNTRY. AND WE HAVE A LONGSTANDING COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT
20 THOSE WHO HAVE BRAVELY SERVED THROUGH THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE
21 WITH HOUSING, BENEFIT ASSISTANCE, AND ADVOCACY TO HELP OUR
22 VETERANS AND THE FAMILIES THRIVE. AND I FEEL THAT'S VERY
23 IMPORTANT. THIS COUNTY TRULY DOES PUT OUR MONEY WHERE OUR
24 MOUTH IS. WORKING WITH THE VA. TODAY'S ACTION IS ANOTHER
25 IMPORTANT WAY FOR US TO DEMONSTRATE OUR GRATITUDE BY FORMALLY



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1 RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE THAT ALL MEMBERS PROVIDED WHO WERE
2 WOUNDED IN COMBAT OR MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN DEFENSE OF
3 THIS GREAT NATION. BY BECOMING A PURPLE HEART COUNTY, IT IS
4 MORE THAN JUST A SYMBOLIC DESIGNATION. IT WILL SERVE AS A
5 LASTING TRIBUTE TO OUR RESIDENTS OF THE COURAGE AND SELFLESS
6 SERVICE OF THESE MEN AND WOMEN, AS WELL AS HONOR THEIR
7 FAMILIES WHO HAVE SACRIFICED ALONG WITH THEM. AND WE ALL KNOW
8 THAT TO BE TRUE. AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU MENTIONED IT, BUT
9 THE FAMILIES ARE ALSO A PART OF THIS EQUATION. THIS YEAR MARKS
10 THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION. AND THIS DESIGNATION WILL
11 BE A FITTING REMINDER THAT THE FREEDOMS THAT WE ALL ENJOY
12 TODAY WERE SECURED THROUGH THE SERVICE AND THE SACRIFICE OF
13 THOSE WHO ANSWERED THE CALL TO SERVE. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU
14 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THIS GREAT NATION. I WILL BE VOTING AYE ON
15 THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

18
19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO
20 THANK BOTH YOU AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
21 FORWARD AND FOR RECOGNIZING LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS PURPLE HEART
22 COUNTY AND TO DESIGNATE AUGUST 7TH AS PURPLE HEART DAY. AS HAS
23 BEEN SAID, THESE DESIGNATIONS ARE A MEANINGFUL WAY TO HONOR
24 THE EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE AND SACRIFICE OF THE PEOPLE SERVING
25 OUR ARMED FORCES WHO WERE WOUNDED OR GAVE THEIR LIVES IN



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1 SERVICE TO OUR NATION. THEY ALSO REAFFIRM OUR COUNTY'S
2 COMMITMENT TO RECOGNIZING THE SERVICES MADE NOT ONLY BY OUR
3 VETERANS BUT ALSO BY THEIR FAMILIES WHICH YOU SO BEAUTIFULLY
4 ARTICULATED. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BEING HERE TODAY, AS
5 WELL AS FOR YOUR SERVICE AND FOR THE SACRIFICE OF YOUR FAMILY
6 FOR SHARING YOU AND YOUR SERVICE WITH US IN OUR NATION. I ALSO
7 WANT TO THANK OUR DIRECTOR ZENNER AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS FOR THEIR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP
9 AND DEDICATION TO SERVING OUR COMMUNITY. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
10 MEASURES OUTLINED IN THIS MOTION, INCLUDING COMMEMORATIVE
11 EVENTS, EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH, MEMORIAL PROJECTS AND PUBLIC
12 RECOGNITION WILL HELP ENSURE THAT THE LEGACY AND SERVICE OF
13 PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS ARE REMEMBERED AND HONORED THROUGHOUT
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO TAKE MOMENTS
15 LIKE THIS ONE TO ESTABLISH THIS KIND OF RECOGNITION BECAUSE
16 THE FREEDOMS THAT WE ENJOY, THE DECISIONS WE GET TO MAKE HERE
17 TODAY, WE'RE ONLY ABLE TO MAKE BECAUSE OF YOUR SERVICE AND
18 SACRIFICE IN PROTECTING THE VALUES THAT WE STAND FOR AS A
19 COUNTRY. AND SO I DON'T TAKE THAT LIGHTLY, AND I REALLY
20 APPRECIATE YOU AND ALL OF THE VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED AND
21 CONTINUE TO MAKE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROUD. THANK YOU VERY
22 MUCH.

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. WITH THAT
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE



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1 PUBLIC WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

2

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

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, I DO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THOSE IN
8 THE AUDIENCE THAT CAME WITH YOU. MR. MADRIGAL, IF THEY COULD
9 STAND UP IN THE FRONT, PLEASE. OUR FRIENDS, MR. VALENCIA,
10 THESE ARE ALSO MEMBERS THAT SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY WITH THE
11 PURPLE HEART. WITH THAT SEEING NO OTHER MEMBERS OR PUBLIC ON
12 THIS SPEAKING ON THIS ITEM, THIS IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,
13 AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
14 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

15

16 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 4 IS BEFORE
17 YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

18

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

20

21 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

22

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

24

25 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

3

4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

7

8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE. PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

11

12 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS.

15

16 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** ONE MORE ITEM. MADAM CHAIR,
17 ITEM 59A IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT WE WERE HOLDING THEM TOGETHER.

20

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

22

23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

24

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



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2 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

3

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

5

6 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

9

10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

11

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

13

14 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

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

17

18 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, THANK YOU. WE'RE READY,
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ON ITEM 17. DO YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE THAT?

22

23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WE WILL NOW MOVE TO ITEM 17,
24 ENSURING MEASURE B FUNDS ARE PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST AND BEST
25 USE, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE



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1 PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE
2 THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF ON A
3 TELEPHONE. THERE WERE NO DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS REQUESTED FOR
4 THIS ITEM.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU
7 ARE RECOGNIZED.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.
10 COLLEAGUES, TODAY HOSPITALS ARE FACING GROWING FINANCIAL
11 PRESSURES, AND AN EXPECTED INCREASE IN UNINSURED PATIENTS DUE
12 TO H.R.-1 WILL ONLY ADD TO THAT BURDEN. AND THAT'S WHY WE
13 BROUGHT FORWARD TODAY'S MOTION CALLING FOR AN INDEPENDENT
14 REVIEW OF HOW MEASURE B FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED. YOU ALL WILL
15 RECALL IT WAS ABOUT 25 YEARS AGO THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS AND VOTERS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY PASSED MEASURE B TO
17 SUPPORT TRAUMA HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES,
18 HELPING ENSURE RESIDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO LIFE-SAVING CARE WHEN
19 THEY NEED IT. TODAY'S MOTION WILL CREATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 HAVE A REVIEW THE REVIEW, IT'S OUR GOAL, IS TO HELP ENSURE
21 THAT TAXPAYER DOLLARS ARE DIRECTED WHERE THEY CAN HAVE THE
22 GREATEST IMPACT AND THAT MEASURE B CONTINUES TO FULFILL ITS
23 INTENDED PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING AND STABILIZING A STRONG
24 COUNTYWIDE TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CENTER. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
25 HOSPITALS WITH EMERGENCY ROOMS THAT ARE CRITICAL TO OUR TRAUMA



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1 AND EMERGENCY CARE THAT ARE FINANCIALLY STRUGGLING. ENSURING
2 MEASURE B RESOURCES REFLECT COMMUNITY NEEDS WILL HELP
3 STRENGTHEN A MORE EQUITABLE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WHERE EVERY
4 RESIDENT HAS ACCESS TO THE TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY SERVICES THEY
5 DEPEND ON. SOON, I'M SURE THIS REVIEW, LET ME JUST GO BACK.
6 THIS REVIEW IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT FOR HOSPITALS LIKE THE ONE
7 IN THE 2ND DISTRICT, MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY
8 HOSPITAL, WHICH SERVES ONE OF THE COUNTY'S HIGHEST-NEED
9 COMMUNITIES. IT CONSISTENTLY HAS A PACKED EMERGENCY ROOM AND
10 PROVIDES TRAUMA CARE TO SOME OF THE COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE
11 POPULATIONS OF UNINSURED RESIDENTS. JUST YESTERDAY, L.A. TIMES
12 HAD A FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE THAT HIGHLIGHTED THE DISPARITY AND
13 IMPACT ON THIS AND OTHER CRITICAL EMERGENCY ROOM HOSPITALS
14 BECAUSE THEY ARE CURRENTLY NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ONGOING MEASURE B
15 FUNDS. THEY AND OTHER SIMILAR HOSPITALS ARE FORCED TO COMPETE
16 FOR ACCESS TO LEFTOVER ONE-TIME FUNDS. WE'RE GOING TO HEAR,
17 I'M SURE, FROM HOSPITALS TODAY WHO BOTH AGREE AND DISAGREE
18 WITH THE NOTION OF AN INDEPENDENT STUDY THAT THIS MOTION CALLS
19 FOR. SO LET ME BE CLEAR UP-FRONT. YES. ABOUT WHAT THIS MOTION
20 WILL DO. NUMBER ONE, IT DOES NOT CUT FUNDING. SECONDLY, IT
21 DOES NOT TAKE RESOURCES AWAY FROM TRAUMA HOSPITALS. AND
22 THIRDLY, THIS IS NOT ABOUT DESTABILIZING OUR TRAUMA
23 INFRASTRUCTURE. THE OPPORTUNITY THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY IS TO
24 HAVE AN INDEPENDENT STUDY TO DETERMINE WHETHER 25 YEARS LATER
25 MEASURE B DOLLARS ARE STILL BEING DISTRIBUTED IN THE BEST WAY



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1 POSSIBLE TO FULFILL THE INTENT OF THE VOTERS, WHICH IS TO
2 PROTECT THE TRAUMA NETWORK THAT SAVES LIVES EVERY DAY. I, NOR
3 DOES ANYONE HERE, KNOW WHAT THE INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT WILL
4 ULTIMATELY IDENTIFY AND ADVISE. THE CONSULTANT COULD ADVISE US
5 TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO. THE CONSULTANT COULD ADVISE US TO
6 ADD HOSPITALS LIKE MLK THAT ARE CRITICAL TO OUR TRAUMA
7 NETWORK. THE CONSULTANT COULD ADVISE THAT CERTAIN TRAUMA
8 HOSPITALS SHOULD GET EVEN MORE MONEY THAN THEY ARE CURRENTLY
9 GETTING. SO, AS YOU KNOW, COLLEAGUES, ANY RECOMMENDED ACTION
10 FROM THE INDEPENDENT REPORT WOULD REQUIRE A BOARD VOTE TO MOVE
11 FORWARD. BUT HERE'S WHAT WE DO KNOW. IN THIS TIME OF
12 UNPRECEDENTED STRAIN, WE MUST MAKE SURE WE ARE MAKING THE
13 WISEST AND MOST EQUITABLE DECISIONS WITH PUBLIC DOLLARS. WE
14 NEED TO ENSURE WE'RE DOING ALL WE CAN TO PROTECT AND
15 STRENGTHEN OUR TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM THAT SERVES
16 EVERY LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT. OUR WILLINGNESS TO
17 INTERROGATE IF WE ARE MAXIMIZING THESE HARD-EARNED TAX DOLLARS
18 TO THE BEST BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC IS WHAT WE OWE THE VOTERS
19 WHO PASSED MEASURE B AND THE MILLIONS OF RESIDENTS WHO RELY ON
20 THE LIFE-SAVING CARE OUR HOSPITAL SYSTEMS PROVIDE. FOR THESE
21 REASONS, COLLEAGUE, I'LL BE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON TODAY'S
22 MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
25 MYSELF ON THIS ITEM. I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.



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1 OUR ENTIRE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, AS YOU KNOW, IS UNDERGOING
2 SIGNIFICANT STRESS DUE TO MEDI-CAL CUTS DRIVEN BY H.R.-1 AND
3 CHANGES TO THE STATE'S MEDI-CAL PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANT
4 COMMUNITIES. THESE DIFFICULT TIMES, IN MY OPINION, REQUIRE US
5 TO BE CREATIVE AND TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE
6 RESIDENTS. AND IF WE'RE GOING TO REASSESS THE FUNDING
7 OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT OUR SAFETY NET, I TOO WOULD WANT TO
8 ENSURE THAT WE ARE SERVING THOSE MOST IN NEED. WE RECENTLY
9 RECEIVED THE PORTRAIT OF L.A. COUNTY 2026 REPORT. WHICH
10 INCLUDED A VERY COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF THE COMMUNITIES
11 ACROSS THE COUNTY THAT ARE STRUGGLING, MOST ACROSS A WIDE
12 ARRAY OF AREAS, WITH TWO PRIMARY ONES BEING HEALTH, POVERTY,
13 AND EDUCATION. THE STUDY OFFERED A MEASUREMENT TOOL KNOWN AS
14 THE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX SHOWING WHICH COMMUNITIES IN THE
15 COUNTY WERE EXCELLING AND WHICH NEEDED MORE ASSISTANCE. AND I
16 WAS STRUCK BY THE VULNERABILITY OF COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY
17 BUT ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE 1ST DISTRICT, INCLUDING EAST LOS
18 ANGELES, MONTEBELLO, AVOCADO HEIGHTS, EL MONTE, SOUTH EL
19 MONTE, AND LA PUENTE. IT ALSO INCLUDES COMMUNITIES SUCH AS
20 WILLOWBROOK, FLORENCE GRAHAM, AND SOUTH LOS ANGELES IN THE 2ND
21 DISTRICT, AS WELL AS SAN FERNANDO AND ARLETA, PACOIMA IN THE
22 3RD DISTRICT, WALNUT PARK, PICO RIVERA, MAYWOOD, AND CUDAHY IN
23 THE 4TH DISTRICT, AND LANCASTER, PALMDALE, AND SUN VALLEY IN
24 THE 5TH DISTRICT. WE ALL HAVE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE STRUGGLING.
25 AND I UNDERSTAND THE MOTION CALLS FOR A STUDY TO ASSESS HOW



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1 THESE FUNDS ARE USED MOST EFFECTIVELY AND EQUITABLY. AND I
2 HOPE THAT WE CAN ONBOARD A CONSULTANT TO DO THIS VERY WORK SO
3 WE CAN UTILIZE USEFUL TOOLS LIKE THE PORTRAIT OF L.A. COUNTY
4 TO DETERMINE WHICH COMMUNITIES ARE IN NEED THE MOST. I WOULD
5 LIKE TO ASK OUR CEO HOW THEY WOULD PLAN TO IDENTIFY AN
6 APPROPRIATE CONSULTANT FOR SUCH A STUDY TO ENSURE ITS
7 INTEGRITY AND EXPERTISE ON MEASURE B, TRAUMA CENTERS,
8 EMERGENCY SERVICES, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL VULNERABILITY,
9 AND A WILLINGNESS TO APPROPRIATELY ENGAGE AND CONSIDER THE
10 FEEDBACK OF RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS IN THE PROCESS. THAT'S MY
11 FIRST QUESTION.

12
13 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION.
14 SO GENERALLY, AT A HIGH LEVEL, WHAT WE WOULD DO IS WE FIRST,
15 WE'D CONVENE THE STAKEHOLDERS IDENTIFIED IN THE MOTION. I
16 THINK OUR FIRST TASK WOULD BE TO DRAFT A SCOPE OF WORK, YOU
17 KNOW, SUPPORTED BY THOSE STAKEHOLDERS. I THINK THAT FROM THERE
18 WE WOULD HEAD TO WHAT I WOULD DESCRIBE AS AN INVITATION-BASED
19 INTERVIEW PROCESS WITH THE SELECTION COMMITTEE, AGAIN, OF
20 THOSE STAKEHOLDERS. AND I SAY INVITATION-BASED AFTER AN
21 INDUSTRY SCAN OF QUALIFIED STAKEHOLDERS. FROM THERE, WE WOULD
22 MOVE TO SELECTION BASED ON THE SELECTION COMMITTEE'S
23 RECOMMENDATIONS. IT'S NOT MY RECOMMENDATION TO DO A
24 COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION GIVEN THE TIME CONSTRAINTS IDENTIFIED
25 IN THE MOTION. I DON'T THINK THERE IS ENOUGH TIME TO DO



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1 SOMETHING LIKE AN RFP, SO THIS WOULD APPROXIMATE A COMPETITIVE
2 PROCESS AFTER WE DO THAT INDUSTRY SCAN TO IDENTIFY THOSE
3 QUALIFIED AND INTERESTED STAKEHOLDERS.

4
5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND WOULD YOU BE INCLUDING THE
6 PORTRAIT OF L.A. COUNTY, INCLUDING THE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX
7 TOOL THAT WAS DEVELOPED FOR L.A. COUNTY?

8
9 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH, I THINK, SUPERVISOR, I THINK WE CAN
10 INCLUDE THAT TYPE OF DATA. I THINK IF I READ THE MOTION, WHAT
11 WE'RE LOOKING FOR IS A STUDY THAT CONSIDERS, IN ADDITION TO A
12 WHOLE HOST OF OTHER FACTORS, COMMUNITIES IN NEED, COMMUNITIES
13 THAT ARE IMPACTED BY EXTREME ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS,
14 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE LOWER HEALTH OUTCOMES, THINGS OF THAT
15 NATURE. AND I THINK THAT PORTRAIT OF L.A. IS A GOOD
16 CONGLOMERATION OF THAT DATA. I THINK IT'S ONE OF THE TOOLS
17 THAT WE CAN CERTAINLY USE OR ASK THE CONSULTANT TO USE AS THEY
18 LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT FACTORS IDENTIFIED IN THE MOTION.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I JUST WANT TO
21 REITERATE THAT I AM NOT OPPOSED TO CONDUCTING A LARGER STUDY
22 TO ENSURE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF NON-COUNTY TRAUMA MEASURE
23 B FUNDING. BUT HOWEVER, WE MUST ENSURE THAT THE STUDY IS
24 ADEQUATELY INFORMED AND SEEKS TO REDUCE THE EXISTING
25 DISPARITIES WE CURRENTLY HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AS I



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1 MENTIONED EARLIER. AND I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT AREAS
2 THAT HAVE FACED NEAR CLOSURES IN TERMS OF THEIR HOSPITALS,
3 SUCH AS THOSE SERVING IN COMMUNITIES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
4 AND EASTERN LOS ANGELES, ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROCESS IN
5 SOME WAY. WE MUST ALSO CONSIDER THE NUMBER OF UNINSURED AND
6 UNCOMPENSATED CARE THAT TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY HOSPITALS
7 PROVIDE, INCLUDING THE NUMBER OF IMMIGRANT PATIENTS, AS WELL
8 AS FUTURE MEASURES SUCH AS ER FUNDING AND THOSE ALLOCATIONS.
9 ADDITIONALLY, WE MUST ENSURE THE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION OF
10 TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY SERVICES IN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE
11 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED BY ENVIRONMENTAL AND INJUSTICES
12 AND OTHER SOCIAL VULNERABILITIES. AND WE HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND
13 THAT IMPACT HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT WITH
14 THE LINEAGE FIRE ON COMMUNITIES IN EAST LOS ANGELES, BOYLE
15 HEIGHTS, AND SURROUNDING AREAS, AND ENSURING THE COUNTY'S MOST
16 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES HAVE ADEQUATE ACCESS TO CARE THAT WE
17 KNOW IS ESSENTIAL. AND CRITICAL ALSO IS TO MAKE SURE THAT
18 EVERYONE IN THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO BE ABLE TO READILY ACCESS
19 TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY SERVICES. THIS SHOULD NOT BE A RIGHT, IT
20 SHOULD BE A PRIVILEGE. SO, I WOULD SAY THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND
21 THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I WILL NOW RECOGNIZE
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR SOME COMMENTS.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU



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1 LOOK AT THE TRAUMA TAX DOLLARS, AND I THINK I'M TOLD ABOUT
2 OVER \$340,000,000 LAST YEAR ALONE, THIS MOTION MAKES SENSE. WE
3 SHOULD LOOK AT OUR SYSTEM AS A WHOLE, AND I THINK WHAT
4 CONCERNS ME THE MOST IS THAT WE SHOULD NOT, IT SHOULDN'T BE AN
5 EITHER OR. I KNOW THAT WHEN THIS TAX WAS PASSED, IT WAS PASSED
6 BECAUSE OUR TRAUMA HOSPITALS WERE PULLING OUT, AND WE DIDN'T
7 HAVE THE LEVEL OF CARE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE 10,000,000
8 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND MEASURE B WAS BORN OUT OF
9 THAT. AND THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT IT'S STABILIZED AS RELATES TO
10 THE FACT THAT THEY'RE NOT PULLING OUT. MY GREATEST FEAR IS
11 THAT TRAUMA WILL THEN ONCE AGAIN, YOU'LL HAVE HOSPITALS
12 PULLING OUT, WHICH REALLY CONCERNS ME GREATLY. BUT ALSO WHAT
13 CONCERNS ME IS NOT HAVING MARTIN LUTHER KING DREW HOSPITAL IN
14 THE COMMUNITY. I KNOW WHEN IT CLOSED, UM, IF YOU TALK TO ST.
15 FRANCIS, THEY COULD NOT ABSORB THE LEVEL OF, OF NEED IN THAT
16 COMMUNITY. THAT'S BECAUSE THAT COMMUNITY, IN MY OPINION I
17 DON'T THINK YOU WOULD DISAGREE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
18 UNDERSERVED WHEN IT COMES TO THE UNDERSERVED MEDICALLY AS IT
19 RELATES TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. AND WE, WE AS A BOARD
20 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO
21 UPLIFT NOT ONLY KING HOSPITAL BUT ALSO ALL OF OUR FACILITIES
22 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND I KNOW I'VE HEARD FROM HOSPITALS IN
23 MY DISTRICT THAT ARE CONCERNED THAT IF WE REDIRECT DOLLARS,
24 IT'S GOING TO TAKE DOLLARS OUT OF THEIR POCKET. AND THAT IS
25 NOT WHAT WE WANT TO DO, NOR DO I THINK DO WE INTEND TO DO. I



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AS A WHOLE ABOUT THE FORMULA AND HOW
2 MEASURE B IS USED RIGHT NOW TO MAKE AN EDUCATED, INFORMED
3 DECISION ABOUT A SYSTEM OF CARE THAT IS NOT ABOUT ONE
4 FACILITY. IT'S ABOUT A SYSTEM AS A WHOLE. BECAUSE YOU ALL
5 KNOW, FOR THOSE OF YOU IN THE AUDIENCE WHO ARE FROM OTHER
6 HOSPITALS, IF ONE FAILS, THE DOMINO EFFECT ON OUR SYSTEM IS
7 SEEN AND FELT. AND WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THE FACT THAT MANY USE
8 OUR EMERGENCY ROOM AS OUR HEALTH CLINICS, WE ALSO NEED TO LOOK
9 AT OUR SYSTEM AS A WHOLE IN THIS COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
10 ARE DOING AS MUCH AS WE CAN TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM ENDING UP
11 IN EMERGENCY ROOMS. AND I LOOK TO KING HOSPITAL BECAUSE I KNOW
12 THAT I'VE HAD TALKS WITH YOU ALL ABOUT THE FACT THAT YOU'VE
13 GOT AN URGENT CARE THAT YOU WANT TO, OR MAYBE IS IT A HEALTH
14 CENTER URGENT CARE THAT YOU WANT TO RUN VERSUS HAVING THE
15 COUNTY RUN IT SO THERE'S A BETTER SYSTEM OF CARE SO THAT
16 PEOPLE CAN GO THERE AND NOT BE DIVERTED? ONCE THEY'RE IN THE
17 EMERGENCY ROOM, YOU CAN'T DIVERT THEM BACK. SO ACROSS THE
18 BOARD, I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AS A
19 WHOLE AND MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS, NOT BASED ON THE NEEDS OF
20 JUST OUR DISTRICT, BECAUSE I'VE GOT HENRY MAYO UP IN SANTA
21 CLARITA, AND I'VE GOT AV HOSPITAL UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
22 BOTH OF WHICH RECEIVE FUNDS. AND TO LOSE ANY WOULD BE
23 DEVASTATING, ESPECIALLY FOR AV HOSPITAL AND I UNDERSTAND THAT,
24 BUT JUST BECAUSE KING'S NOT IN MY DISTRICT DOESN'T MEAN I
25 DON'T UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT. THANK YOU. THAT HOSPITAL CLOSING



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 OR FACING FINANCIAL STRAIN THAT WOULD CURTAIL SERVICES IS
2 GOING TO HAVE ON OUR SYSTEM AS A WHOLE. SO I FEEL THAT I'M,
3 I'M LOOKING AT THIS THROUGH A LENS OF SOMEONE WHO FOR MANY
4 YEARS WAS A HEALTHCARE, OR WAS A HEALTH DEPUTY, UM, UH, FOR
5 THE FORMER SUPERVISOR. AND SO I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'RE DOING
6 THIS. AND SO I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK, JOE, AND
7 I HOPE WE GET A CONSULTANT THAT CAN BE OBJECTIVE. AND IF IT
8 MEANS TRAUMA GETS, YOU KNOW, IF SOMEONE IS A TRAUMA LEVEL- IS
9 IT LEVEL 1 AND 2? IS THAT CORRECT? IS IT 2 LEVELS OF TRAUMA? I
10 CAN'T, YEAH, SOMEONE'S NODDING THEIR HEAD. THAT WE LOOK AT
11 THAT AND THE IMPACT THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE AND GET THE INPUT
12 FROM THE HOSPITAL COUNCIL AS A WHOLE SO THAT WE UNDERSTAND
13 MAYBE WHAT THEIR THOUGHTS ARE. BECAUSE WE TALK TO EACH
14 INDIVIDUAL HOSPITAL, BUT WE DON'T TALK RIGHT. AS A SYSTEM OF
15 CARE, AND ALL THAT TO SAY THAT I'M A LITTLE FRUSTRATED THAT
16 THAT SOME HOSPITALS FEAR THAT WE ARE GOING TO RAID THE COFFERS
17 AND TAKE MONEY AWAY FROM THEM BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THAT WAS
18 THE INTENT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, OF YOUR MOTION. YOUR MOTION
19 IS TO TAKE A FRESH AND OBJECTIVE LOOK AT HOW MEASURE B DOLLARS
20 ARE GOING, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE FACT THAT NOT THAT LONG AGO WE
21 DIVIDED BY FIVE. THE MEASURE B DOLLARS AND ALLOCATED THEM IN
22 WAYS IN EACH ONE OF OUR DISTRICTS. AND SO I THINK IT IS AN
23 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO HIT THE RESET BUTTON AND LOOK AT HOW WE
24 ARE ALLOCATING THESE PRECIOUS RESOURCES. AND BY THE WAY,
25 THAT'S NOT A CRITICISM. I KNOW THAT AVALON CATALINA, THAT



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 HOSPITAL IS IMPORTANT TO YOU. I UNDERSTAND WHY IT WAS DONE,
2 BUT I THINK THAT TO ME OPENED MY EYES THAT MAYBE WE NEED TO,
3 BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T REVISITED THAT ISSUE. SUPERVISOR HAHN,
4 SINCE YOU AND I WERE ELECTED, ON THE TRAUMA TAX DOLLARS AND
5 HOW THEY'RE ALLOCATED, THE FORMULA. SO THAT'S NOT CRITICISM.
6 THAT IS MORE, FOR ME, A WAKE-UP CALL THAT MAYBE WE NEED TO HIT
7 THE RESET BUTTON AND LOOK AT OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER UTILIZE
8 THE DOLLARS, BECAUSE AVALON WOULDN'T HAVE QUALIFIED UNDER
9 MEASURE B. I MEAN, AND NOW MAYBE THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US
10 TO RESET AND LOOK AT OUR SYSTEM AS A WHOLE. THANK YOU, MADAM
11 CHAIR.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

14
15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK
16 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD.
17 ANYTHING THAT'S RELATED TO MEASURE B BECOMES AN IMPORTANT
18 DISCUSSION, ESPECIALLY NOWADAYS WITH OUR HEALTH SYSTEM AT
19 RISK. THE TRAUMA SYSTEM THAT WAS CREATED TO SUPPORT OUR TRAUMA
20 HOSPITALS IN OUR COUNTY WORKED UNTIL OUR HOSPITALS BEGAN
21 LOSING FUNDS AND MANY WERE AT RISK OF BANKRUPTCY, WHICH IS WHY
22 THE PREVIOUS BOARD PLACED MEASURE B ON THE BALLOT TO SUPPORT
23 AND SUSTAIN TRAUMA CENTERS THAT PROVIDE AN INVALUABLE AND
24 LIFE-SAVING SERVICE FOR THOSE THAT NEED IT, NOT JUST
25 RESIDENTS, RIGHT? ANYONE THAT COMES INTO OUR COUNTY AND WE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE TO TREAT THEM. WE'VE SEEN INTERNATIONAL GAMES WITH THE
2 WORLD CUP, AND WE'LL BE HOSTING THE WORLD FOR THE OLYMPIC AND
3 PARALYMPIC GAMES. AND ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN, AND WE WANT THESE
4 TRAUMA HOSPITALS TO BE SUSTAINABLE AND READY TO TAKE THOSE WHO
5 NEED IT. UNFORTUNATELY, AS WE'RE SEEING, ALL OF OUR TRAUMA
6 HOSPITALS CONTINUE TO FACE SEVERE FINANCIAL STRAIN BECAUSE
7 TRAUMA CENTERS AND THEIR STAFF OPERATE FAR BEYOND THE SCOPE
8 AND REQUIREMENTS OF JUST STANDARD EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS. IT'S
9 ALARMING HOW MANY OF OUR HOSPITALS ARE ON THE BRINK RIGHT NOW.
10 IN MY DISTRICT, I'M HEARING FROM MILLER'S CHILDREN'S AND
11 WOMEN'S HOSPITAL IN LONG BEACH, WHOSE PATIENTS ARE OVER 70%
12 MEDI-CAL RECIPIENTS, AND THEIR EXISTING FUNDING IS NOT ENOUGH
13 TO SUSTAIN THEIR TRAUMA-LEVEL SERVICES. ST. MARY'S MEDICAL
14 CENTER, WHICH IS ALSO IN MY DISTRICT, IS REPORTING A
15 SUBSTANTIAL MEDI-CAL SHORTFALL AND MEASURE B ALREADY DOES NOT
16 COVER HALF OF THEIR UNCOMPENSATED TRAUMA CARE EXPENSES. SO OF
17 COURSE, THEY DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANY MORE FUNDING. AND I KNOW
18 WE WILL BE HEARING LOUD AND CLEAR TODAY FROM THOSE WHO ARE
19 HERE SUPPORTING MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOSPITAL, WHICH MY
20 FATHER GOT BUILT AFTER THE WATTS' RIOTS. I KNOW MY NEW STAFF
21 SAYS WATTS UPRISING. I'M OLD SCHOOL. I WAS LIKE WATTS RIOTS.
22 AND HOW MUCH THEY ARE STRUGGLING. IT WOULD BE DISASTER IF
23 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOSPITAL WERE FORCED TO CLOSE. IN FACT,
24 I'VE BEEN WONDERING IF IT'S TIME TO EVEN REVISIT THE IDEA OF
25 WHETHER MLK SHOULD BECOME A COUNTY HOSPITAL AGAIN TO HELP



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUSTAIN IT. IT MIGHT BE GOOD FOR US TO WELCOME THEM BACK INTO
2 THE COUNTY FAMILY, AND I'D LIKE TO SEE US ACTUALLY EXPLORE
3 THAT. EXPLORE THAT BECAUSE I THINK THERE ARE SOME ADVANTAGES
4 TO BEING A COUNTY— MITCHELL. YEAH, MITCHELL, I THINK THERE'S
5 ADVANTAGES. WE KNOW THERE ARE RESOURCES THAT, YOU KNOW,
6 CHRISTINA GHALLY CAN GATHER TOGETHER FOR OUR COUNTY HOSPITALS.
7 SO I THINK IT MIGHT BE TIME TO RELOOK AT THAT SUPERVISOR
8 MITCHELL. I THINK IT WAS, YOU KNOW, WE APPRECIATE THE PRIVATE
9 PRIVATIZATION THAT KIND OF REALLY RAISED MLK FROM THE ASHES TO
10 BECOME WHAT IT IS. I MEAN, THAT'S IMPORTANT, BUT I'M JUST
11 WONDERING IF IT'S TIME TO RELOOK AT THEIR STATUS WITHIN THE
12 COUNTY FAMILY. THE REALITY IS THAT THERE ARE HOSPITALS ACROSS
13 OUR COUNTY THAT WORRY ABOUT CHANGING MEASURE B ALLOCATIONS,
14 THAT IT COULD DESTABILIZE THE COUNTY'S TRAUMA SYSTEM AS A
15 WHOLE AND PUT THEM AT RISK. I'M SURE WE'VE ALL GOTTEN THOSE
16 LETTERS. BUT I THINK YOU'RE, YOU KNOW, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU
17 REALLY LAID IT OUT CORRECTLY. WE'RE NOT HERE TO NECESSARILY
18 TAKE MONEY FROM ONE HOSPITAL OR THE OTHERS. WE DON'T WANT TO
19 PUT ANY OF OUR HOSPITALS AT RISK. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE
20 ALL HEALTHY AND STABILIZED. WE KNOW WHAT IT WOULD MEAN IF ANY
21 OF OUR COUNTY OR NON-COUNTY HOSPITALS CLOSED. IT WOULD MEAN
22 HEALTH ASSETS IN THOSE PARTICULAR COMMUNITIES WOULD BE GONE.
23 SURROUNDING FACILITIES WOULD BE OVERWHELMED, AND ULTIMATELY
24 PATIENTS WOULD NOT BE GETTING THE LIFE-SAVING CARE THAT THEY
25 NEED WHEN THEY NEED IT. WE NEED ALL OF THEM TO BE FINANCIALLY



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 SOLVENT TO RESPOND TO MEDICAL EMERGENCIES WHEN THEY COME.
2 THAT'S WHY I THINK THIS IS A GOOD MOTION. I THINK THIS TIME
3 FOR US TO TAKE ANOTHER LOOK TO MAKE SURE THAT MEASURE B
4 FUNDING IS BEING DISPERSED AND ALLOCATED. IN THE FAIR AND
5 EQUITABLE WAY THAT IT WAS DESIGNED, IN A WAY THAT STRENGTHENS
6 ALL OF OUR TRAUMA SYSTEMS AS A WHOLE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR
9 HORVATH, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE TITLE OF
12 ITEM 17 IS ENSURING MEASURE B FUNDS ARE PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST
13 AND BEST USE. SO IT SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE THAT I FULLY
14 SUPPORT TAKING A PRESENT-DAY LOOK AT HOW WE DO THINGS IN
15 COUNTY GOVERNMENT. I HELPED THE EFFORT TO MODERNIZE COUNTY
16 GOVERNANCE THROUGH MEASURE G, AND I SUPPORT TAKING A FRESH
17 LOOK AT MEASURE B AS WELL. THE LAST TIME THIS BOARD DISCUSSED
18 MEASURE B FUNDING, I WAS THE ONLY SUPERVISOR TO PUBLICLY
19 COMMIT MY DISTRICT'S ALLOCATION TO MLK, WHICH IS IN ANOTHER
20 DISTRICT, BECAUSE THERE WAS DEMONSTRATED NEED FOR A HOSPITAL
21 PROVIDING EMERGENCY SERVICES. SO THAT SUPPORT IS NOT JUST IN
22 WORD, IT'S IN DEED, IT'S IN ACTION. IT WAS WITH INVESTMENT.
23 THANK YOU. UNLIKE MEASURE ER, MEASURE B WAS A SPECIAL PARCEL
24 TAX, WHICH MEANS IT WAS CREATED FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE: TO
25 PRESERVE AND STABILIZE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S TRAUMA SYSTEM



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 AFTER HOSPITALS BEGAN LEAVING THE NETWORK BECAUSE TRAUMA CARE
2 WAS FINANCIALLY UNSUSTAINABLE AND TO ENHANCE EMERGENCY
3 SERVICES. SINCE ITS PASSAGE, THE LANDSCAPE HAS CHANGED,
4 ESPECIALLY WITH BENEFITS FROM HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENTS LIKE
5 OBAMACARE. SO I SUPPORT EVALUATING ITS IMPACT. AND BEST USE
6 TODAY. SO I WOULD ASK OUR CEO, WILL THIS REPORT BACK EVALUATE
7 WHETHER THE GOALS OF MEASURE B HAVE BEEN MET AND WHAT'S NEEDED
8 TO MAINTAIN STABILITY THAT HAS BEEN ARTICULATED AS ACHIEVED?

9

10 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH, LET ME, LET ME JUST START WITH A
11 BLANKET STATEMENT THAT MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE SAID IN RESPONSE TO
12 THE FIRST QUESTION I GOT TODAY, WHICH IS I TAKE THIS VERY,
13 VERY SERIOUSLY. WHEN WE WERE ASKED TO REPORT BACK LAST YEAR,
14 LAST JULY, AND WE'VE SUBMITTED OUR REPORT BACK ON OPTIONS TO
15 LOOK AT NEW, YOU KNOW, NEEDS-BASED ALLOCATIONS FOR MEASURE B.
16 CANDIDLY, I DEFERRED. I MEAN, I TOLD THE BOARD AT THAT TIME,
17 WE NEED AN EXPERT TO BRING IN SOMEBODY WHO KNOWS THE LANDSCAPE
18 BETTER THAN I DO TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT
19 AT STAKE. SO I WANT EVERYBODY TO KNOW, I WANT THIS BOARD TO
20 KNOW, AND I WANT THE PUBLIC TO KNOW. THAT I UNDERSTAND THERE'S
21 A LOT RIDING ON THIS, AND WE TAKE IT VERY, VERY SERIOUSLY.
22 WHEN WE THINK ABOUT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE ALLOCATIONS
23 OF MEASURE B, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A HOLISTIC APPROACH. AND SO,
24 IF YOU THINK ABOUT THE OBJECTIVES OF MEASURE B STATED IN THE
25 MEASURE, THERE WERE BASICALLY THREE THINGS. THERE WAS TRAUMA,



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SUPERVISORS

1 THERE WAS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, AND THERE WAS
2 BIOTERRORISM RESPONSE. THE COUNTY AT THE TIME FOCUSED, I WOULD
3 SAY, NEARLY THE ENTIRETY OF THAT INVESTMENT ON TRAUMA CENTERS,
4 AND WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON 13 NON-COUNTY TRAUMA CENTERS.
5 WE WANT TO LOOK AT THAT ALLOCATION TODAY. WE WANT TO LOOK AT
6 ALL OF THE OBJECTIVES OF MEASURE G, SORRY, MEASURE B. I GET MY
7 LETTERS CONFUSED. BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN WE'RE
8 MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE UNDERSTAND BASED ON DATA AND
9 ANALYSIS WHAT THE IMPLICATIONS ARE FOR THE TRAUMA SYSTEM,
10 BECAUSE THAT WAS THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT WE FOCUSED ON. AND
11 I'VE HEARD THE BOARD SAY IT TODAY, AND I'VE HEARD COMMENTS,
12 AND I'VE SEEN COMMENTS IN THE MEDIA, AND I'VE HAD CONCERNS
13 RAISED PERSONALLY WITH ME. WE DON'T WANT TO DESTABILIZE A
14 TRAUMA SYSTEM THAT TODAY IS OPERATING RATHER SUCCESSFULLY IN
15 THE REGION. SO THAT IS A PRIMARY LOOK OF THE CONSULTANT, IN MY
16 VIEW. BUT IT DOESN'T END THERE. I THINK WE HAVE TO LOOK AT HOW
17 WE ARE MAKING, HOW THAT ALLOCATION PROCESS HAPPENS. IT'S BEEN
18 HAPPENING THE SAME WAY FOR A VERY LONG TIME. AND THEN IT'S
19 ALSO IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT THE FACTORS THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS
20 MENTIONED, WHICH IS WHAT COMMUNITIES ARE EXPERIENCING
21 DIFFERENTIAL OUTCOMES, AND IS THERE A HIGHER AND BEST USE OF
22 MEASURE G, MEASURE B THAT WOULD, GOT MEASURE G ON THE BRAIN
23 THAT WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE FOR THIS COUNTY TO INVEST IN WHILE
24 BEING SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, THE WAY WE DO THAT DOESN'T
25 DESTABILIZE ANYTHING THAT EXISTS TODAY. THAT'S A TALL ORDER,



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SUPERVISORS

1 I'M SURE, BUT WE'RE GOING TO BRING IN AN EXPERT TO HELP US
2 FIGURE THAT OUT.

3

4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO SINCE YOU ARE BRINGING IN THAT
5 EXPERT, I WANTED TO UNDERSTAND SPECIFICALLY, I DIDN'T HEAR IT
6 IN YOUR ANSWER. WILL THIS REPORT BACK INCLUDE AN EVALUATION OF
7 WHETHER THE GOALS OF MEASURE B HAVE BEEN MET?

8

9 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND WHAT IT TAKES TO KEEP THE TRAUMA
12 SYSTEM STABLE IF IT IS IN FACT IT IS STABLE.

13

14 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** ABSOLUTELY. AND LIKE I MENTIONED, THERE
15 WERE MULTIPLE GOALS LISTED IN MEASURE B. THE ORIGINAL
16 INVESTMENT WAS TRAUMA. WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT THAT AND MAKE
17 SURE THAT WE'RE MEETING THAT OBJECTIVE. I THINK WE ARE. THE
18 QUESTION WOULD BE, CAN WE MEET IT IN A DIFFERENT WAY?

19

20 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND AS I MENTIONED, THE TITLE IS THE
21 HIGHEST AND BEST USE, WHICH TO ME IS DIFFERENT THAN JUST AN
22 ALLOCATION. WHERE DO THE DOLLARS NEED TO GO IN SERVICE TO THE
23 DIRECTIVES FROM THE VOTERS OF MEASURE B. SO, IS THAT WHAT
24 WE'RE EVALUATING, OR IS IT JUST A DIFFERENT KIND OF ALLOCATION
25 THAT WILL BE COMING?



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU. EVERYTHING
3 HAS TO BE TIED TO THE MEASURE. THIS IS A SPECIAL PARCEL TAX.
4 WE HAVE TO ADHERE TO THE PARAMETERS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES OF THE
5 MEASURE.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND, I HEARD YOU SAY EARLIER THAT YOU
8 WOULDN'T BE GOING THROUGH A COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION THAT
9 CONCERNS ME, GIVEN THE IMPACT OF HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF
10 DOLLARS THAT ARE AT STAKE. SO HOW WILL YOU GUARANTEE
11 INDEPENDENCE AND MAKING SURE THAT THE CONSULTANT THAT YOU
12 CHOOSE MAINTAINS THAT INDEPENDENCE?

13

14 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** I THINK WE HAVE A DIVERSE PANEL OF
15 STAKEHOLDERS THAT WERE LISTED IN THE MOTION. THEY REPRESENT
16 DIFFERENT INTERESTS, AND I THINK USING THAT STAKEHOLDER PANEL
17 TO HELP US DEVELOP THE SCOPE OF WORK AND MAKE THE SELECTION
18 WOULD FOSTER A LEVEL OF INDEPENDENCE FOR THE CONSULTANT. I
19 WOULD JUST SAY WITH, IF THERE WAS MORE TIME, WE COULD DO A
20 COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION, BUT IT'S NOT ADVISABLE TO TRY TO JAM
21 THAT IN AND MEET THE 120-DAY DEADLINE IN THE MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** YEAH, NO, I, I UNDERSTAND, AND, AND
24 THERE ARE WAYS IN WHICH WE'VE DONE THIS BEFORE, SO IT'S NOT
25 UNUSUAL. BUT I JUST, AGAIN, GIVEN THE POTENTIAL IMPACT, WANT



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SUPERVISORS

1 TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE DOING ALL THAT YOUR OFFICE CAN TO
2 PRESERVE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THIS EVALUATION. I'LL ALSO ECHO,
3 WE, AS WE EVALUATE THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE OF MEASURE B
4 FUNDS, WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT WE DO NOT UNINTENTIONALLY
5 DESTABILIZE THE TRAUMA SYSTEM. AND I HAVE NOT HEARD CONCERNS
6 THAT MEASURE B HASN'T ACHIEVED THAT GOAL. SO WHAT I HAVE
7 HEARD, HOWEVER, ESPECIALLY THROUGH RECENT PRESS THAT HAS
8 HIGHLIGHTED OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS IN OUR NON-TRAUMA HOSPITALS,
9 WHICH I SUPPORT EVALUATING, AND IF THE ISSUE AT THE ROOT OF
10 THIS ITEM IS THE FINANCIAL STABILITY OF HOSPITALS LIKE MLK OR
11 CATALINA, THOSE ARE IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL CONVERSATIONS TO
12 HAVE. THESE HOSPITALS HAVE PROVIDED ESSENTIAL SERVICES THAT
13 THE COUNTY COULD NOT EASILY REPLACE, AND THEY DESERVE
14 THOUGHTFUL, LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS. WE SHOULD UNDERSTAND WHY
15 THESE HOSPITALS ARE EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DISTRESS, AND IF
16 THE UNDERLYING ISSUES ARE RELATED TO REIMBURSEMENT,
17 OPERATIONS, OR BROADER STRUCTURAL CHALLENGES, SIMPLY SHIFTING
18 MEASURE B DOLLARS MAY NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM. SO TRULY
19 UNDERSTANDING WHAT'S AT WORK THERE, I THINK, IS ALSO CRITICAL.
20 I WOULD LIKE THE REPORT BACK TO IDENTIFY THE ROOT CAUSES OF
21 HOSPITAL FINANCIAL DISTRESS, TO EVALUATE OPTIONS THAT PRESERVE
22 THE VOTER DIRECTIVE TO PROTECT OUR TRAUMA SYSTEM AND IDENTIFY
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO MAXIMIZE AVAILABLE STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING,
24 INCLUDING FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS. SO I'D ASK OUR CEO IF THAT'S
25 YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE DIRECTIVES OF THIS MOTION.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** I THINK THAT'S MORE SPECIFIC THAN THE
3 DIRECTIVES I'VE SEEN IN THE MOTION, BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY
4 INCLUDE IT. I THINK THE CONVERSE IS ALSO TRUE. WE WOULD LOOK
5 AT HOSPITALS THAT ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE
6 COUNTY TO SEE WHETHER IT'S STILL, YOU KNOW, WHETHER THAT'S
7 STILL BENEFICIAL FOR THEM.

8

9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THAT'S THE
10 INTENTION OF THIS MOTION. AND SO I WANT TO THINK THAT HOLISTIC
11 EVALUATION IS IMPORTANT AS WE HAVE THIS CONVERSATION. AND, YOU
12 KNOW, WE SHOULD BE HONEST ABOUT THE PROBLEM WE'RE TRYING TO
13 SOLVE AND MAKE SURE OUR SOLUTION MATCHES THAT PROBLEM. AND IF
14 MEASURE B FUNDS NEED TO EVOLVE, LET'S DO IT THOUGHTFULLY BASED
15 ON EVIDENCE AND WHILE PRESERVING THE TRAUMA SYSTEM VOTERS
16 CREATED TO PROTECT IT. SO THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, DID
19 YOU WANT TO BE RECOGNIZED?

20

21 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU TO
22 MY COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR COMMENTS. I JUST WANTED TO JUST REMIND
23 US ALL THAT SINCE MEASURE B PASSAGE, THE ONGOING NON-COUNTY
24 SHARE HAS BEEN EXCLUSIVELY DIVIDED AMONG THE COUNTY'S 13
25 EXISTING TRAUMA FACILITIES, EVEN THOUGH THE LANGUAGE OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 MEASURE B AND ITS IMPLEMENTING ORDINANCE DON'T REQUIRE THIS
2 RESULT. THOSE 13 NON-COUNTY TRAUMA FACILITIES ARE— I CAN SHARE
3 THOSE NAMES IF PEOPLE AREN'T AWARE OF THEM. BUT LET'S BE
4 CLEAR, AGAIN, OVER TIME, THOSE 13 NON-COUNTY TRAUMA CENTERS
5 HAVE CHANGED THE FORMULA TO ENSURE THAT THEY CONTINUE TO GET
6 THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY. TO GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE, BEFORE THE
7 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, FUNDING USED TO BE MOSTLY BASED ON THE
8 NUMBER OF UNINSURED TRAUMA PATIENTS THAT EACH SERVED. THE ACA,
9 AS YOU WILL RECALL, DRAMATICALLY REDUCED THE NUMBER OF
10 UNINSURED PEOPLE, SO THE 13 TRAUMA CENTERS DEVISED A NEW
11 ALLOCATION FORMULA TO ENSURE THAT THEY BASICALLY WOULD
12 CONTINUE TO RECEIVE AT LEAST THE SAME AMOUNT OF MEASURE B
13 FUNDS THAT THEY RECEIVED BEFORE THE ACA. BACK IN 2017, THE
14 BOARD APPROVED ANOTHER FUNDING METHODOLOGY PROPOSED BY THE
15 TRAUMA CENTERS THAT INCLUDED MORE FIXED ALLOCATIONS, AGAIN, TO
16 PREVENT A REDUCTION IN THEIR MEASURE B FUNDING. IT IS MY HOPE
17 THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT A MERE STUDY DOESN'T SUGGEST A ZERO-
18 SUM GAME. I'M SORRY THAT THE HOSPITALS FEAR AN INDEPENDENT
19 EVALUATION. I THINK IT'S TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE. IF WE'RE
20 GOING TO LOOK AT A HOLISTIC EVALUATION OF HOW HOSPITALS,
21 PARTICULARLY SOME OF THOSE THAT WERE MENTIONED TODAY, HAVE
22 GOTTEN IN KIND OF THE FINANCIAL SITUATION THEY'RE IN, I THINK
23 IT'S ALSO FAIR THAT WE, AND IF WE'RE CONCERNED THAT ANY
24 MOVEMENT OR EVEN AN EVALUATION OF MEASURE B COULD DESTABILIZE
25 THE TRAUMA CENTERS. BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT THIS



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SUPERVISORS

1 HOLISTIC EVALUATION OR VIEW, WE SHOULD ALSO LOOK AT THE
2 RESERVES AND THE CASH ON HAND THAT SOME OF THESE 13 HOSPITALS
3 ARE SITTING ON. SO BEFORE ANY OF THEM COULD INFER CLOSURE, I
4 THINK THEY SHOULD ALSO BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE, GOOD
5 FOR THEM— ABLE TO SIT ON RESERVES AND CASH ON HAND IN THE
6 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. SO IF WE'RE GOING TO DO A HOLISTIC
7 EVALUATION, LET'S LOOK AT THAT THOSE FACTORS AS WELL. SO
8 AGAIN, I APPRECIATE THE HEARTY DEBATE. WE HAVE PUT A TIMEFRAME
9 IN IT BECAUSE BASED ON MBAB'S DECISIONS AND THE TIMING OF THE
10 ALLOCATION OF MEASURE B FUNDS, WE DIDN'T WANT THIS TO TAKE TOO
11 LONG. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT IT IS DONE WELL AND RIGHT. SO I
12 APPRECIATE ALL THE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO PROVIDE THE CEO WITH
13 CLARITY AROUND WHERE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE LOOKING TO YOU
14 TO INCLUDE IN THIS REPORT. AGAIN, I THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR
15 YOUR COMMENTS, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING PUBLIC COMMENT
16 AND HOPING THAT WE CAN GET THIS MEASURE ACROSS THE FINISH LINE
17 TODAY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT,
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL WE PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
21 WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK OR CALLED IN?

22
23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** THERE ARE CURRENTLY 55
24 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO PROVIDE COMMENT ON THIS ITEM,
25 AS WELL AS OVER 55 PARTICIPANTS LISTENING REMOTELY. GIVEN THE



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1 NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 17, IN
2 ORDER TO FINISH TODAY'S MEETING EFFICIENTLY AND ADDRESS ALL
3 AGENDA ITEMS, THE TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM WILL BE
4 60 MINUTES. IF YOU ARE WITH A GROUP, PLEASE IDENTIFY ONE
5 PERSON TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF YOUR ENTIRE GROUP. ADDITIONALLY,
6 IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OTHER THAN WHAT HAS
7 ALREADY BEEN STATED BY OTHER SPEAKERS, PLEASE INDICATE ONLY
8 YOUR NAME AND YOUR SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION TO THIS ITEM TO ALLOW
9 OTHERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. SHOULD YOU LIKE TO PROVIDE
10 MORE DETAILED COMMENTS, YOU CAN DO SO BY SUBMITTING WRITTEN
11 COMMENTS TO OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE STAFF WITH BADGE
12 ADDITIONALLY, YOU CAN PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS ONLINE AT OUR
13 WEBSITE BOS.LACOUNTY.GOV BY CLICKING THE LINK SUBMIT PUBLIC
14 COMMENT ONLINE. ALL COMMENTS SUBMITTED ONLINE WILL BE FILED IN
15 THE OFFICIAL RECORD. IT IS NOW 11:20. PUBLIC COMMENT WILL END
16 AT 12:20. WE'RE STARTING WITH IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? ELAINE BACHELOR, PRECIOUS
20 MAYS, DARRYN HARRIS, JUAN MUNOZ, MAYA DOUGLAS, ATUL NAKASI,
21 LATRICIA MITCHELL, FRANCIS SAUNDERS, CHRISTOPHER FERNANDEZ,
22 CHELSEA VELEZ, LUPE RETAMOSA, TAUSI RAHMAN, SONIA ROSAS, MIKE
23 PEREA, REGINA MARTIN, ALLISON KISLING, SUNA TITAN SMITH, SARAH
24 KIM, MIKE CHO, AND JEREMY SAW. WE WILL HEAR FROM IN-PERSON
25 SPEAKERS FIRST.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

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4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** PLEASE BEGIN.

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6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** [AUDIO OUT] SAFETY NET COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
7 THAT TREATS ONE OF THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN OUR
8 COUNTY AND PROVIDES VISITS AT ONE OF THE BUSIEST EMERGENCY
9 DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTRY. WE HAVE THE HIGHEST VOLUME OF
10 MEDICAID VISITS IN OUR ED OF ANY ED IN CALIFORNIA. WE
11 APPRECIATE THE ONE-TIME BAILOUTS AND MEASURE B FUNDS THAT
12 WE'VE RECEIVED OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS THAT HAVE ALLOWED US TO
13 KEEP THE HOSPITAL OPEN. BUT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE NEED A
14 STRUCTURAL ANSWER TO THE FUNDING GAP THAT OCCURS BECAUSE OF
15 THE INSURANCE STATUS OF THE PATIENTS WE TREAT. WE'RE AN
16 ESSENTIAL PART OF THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY CARE INFRASTRUCTURE.
17 WE NEED THE COUNTY'S LONG-TERM SUPPORT TO SERVE THAT ROLE FOR
18 SOUTH L.A., AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS NEEDS-BASED
19 REVIEW OF THE MEASURE B FORMULA. THANK YOU.

20

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

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY
24 JUST WAVING? OKAY, SO WE CAN GET THROUGH THE SPEAKERS.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

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3 **PRECIOUS MAYES:** THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
4 PRECIOUS MAYS, CEO OF PACIFICA HOSPITAL OF THE VALLEY IN SUN
5 VALLEY, CALIFORNIA. I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL'S MOTION TO ENSURE MEASURE B FUNDS ARE PUT TO THEIR
7 HIGHEST AND BEST USE. AT PACIFICA HOSPITAL, WE ACTUALLY SERVE
8 OVER 82% MEDI-CAL AND UNINSURED IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. WE
9 ALSO SERVE OVER 48% OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CASES IN THAT AREA.
10 MEASURE B WAS CREATED TO STRENGTHEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S
11 TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM, AND IT IS IMPORTANT FOR
12 THESE FUNDS TO CONTINUE TO BE ALLOCATED IN A WAY THAT REFLECTS
13 CURRENT NEEDS AND CHANGES. AT THE SAME TIME, MULTIPLE
14 HOSPITALS WITH EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS ARE AT RISK OF CLOSURE
15 AND/OR BANKRUPTCY AND ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEASURE B FORMULA.
16 PACIFICA HOSPITAL HAS FILED BANKRUPTCY CHAPTER RESTRUCTURE 11
17 IN THE LAST 30 DAYS. WE REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
18 ASSESS FAIRLY THE NEED ACROSS ALL DISTRESSED HOSPITALS FOR
19 ASSIGNING UNALLOCATED MEASURE B FUNDING EVENLY ACROSS EACH
20 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO SUPPORT FINANCIALLY VULNERABLE
21 HOSPITALS.

22

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

24

25 **DARRYN HARRIS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DARRYN HARRIS, AND I'M



THE BOARD OF
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1 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY HEALTH. FIRST,
2 THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL HEALTH
3 CENTER WEEK. ST. JOHN'S STRONGLY SUPPORTS ITEM NUMBER 17. WE
4 SERVE MORE THAN 120,000 PATIENTS EACH YEAR, MANY WHO ARE ON
5 MEDI-CAL WITH NO INSURANCE. AND DEPENDING ON COMMUNITY
6 CLINICS, HOSPITALS, INCLUDING MLK COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE, WE
7 WORK TOGETHER TO COORDINATE PATIENT CARE. AND SO, THAT'S WHY
8 WE MUST LOOK AT OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AS ONE CONNECTED SYSTEM,
9 NOT AS SEPARATE PARTS. WE ARE IN DIFFERENT TIMES THAN WHEN
10 MEASURE B FIRST PASSED, AND OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM HAS CHANGED.
11 WE ARE NOT ASKING THE COUNTY TO CHANGE HOW THE FUNDS ARE USED
12 TODAY. WE ARE ASKING FOR AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW AND THE FACTS
13 NEEDED TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION ABOUT WHETHER MEASURE B
14 FUNDS ARE MEETING TODAY'S NEEDS AND BEING PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST
15 AND BEST USE. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 17. THANK YOU.

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

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19 **JUAN MUNOZ-GUEVARA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JUAN
20 MUÑOZ GUEVARA WITH UNITE HERE LOCAL 11, REPRESENTING 32,000
21 HOSPITALITY WORKERS OUR UNION BUILT AN INNOVATIVE PLAN, HARD-
22 FOUGHT AT THE BARGAINING TABLE, SO 3,000 OF OUR MEMBERS AND
23 THEIR FAMILIES CAN GET CARE AT MLK COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE WITH
24 \$0 IN PREMIUMS AND \$0 IN COPAYS. BUT THAT PLAN ONLY WORKS IF
25 MLK HOSPITAL AND THE WHOLE TRAUMA SYSTEM BEHIND IT STAYS



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1 STRONG. WE KNOW THE INCREDIBLE PRESSURES THAT OUR HEALTHCARE
2 SYSTEM IS UNDER. THIS IS EXACTLY THE MOMENT TO DO AN
3 INDEPENDENT STUDY AND ENSURE MEASURE B DOLLARS GO WHERE THE
4 NEED IS GREATEST. WE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR LEADING
5 ON THIS. PLEASE SUPPORT THE MOTION TO DO AN INDEPENDENT STUDY
6 ON THE MEASURE B ALLOCATION FORMULA. THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **MAYA DOUGLAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MAYA
11 DOUGLAS. I'M THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR ASSEMBLYMEMBER MIKE
12 GIBSON. I'M HERE ON HIS BEHALF. ASSEMBLYMEMBER GIBSON IS IN
13 STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM 17. WHEN VOTERS APPROVED MEASURE B IN
14 2002, THEY DID SO TO HELP PREVENT THE COLLAPSE OF EMERGENCY
15 DEPARTMENTS AND TRAUMA CENTERS. PRESERVE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY
16 MEDICAL CARE AND STRENGTHEN THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY RESPONSE
17 SYSTEM. THE MEASURE WAS CREATED TO PROTECT HOSPITALS AND
18 COMMUNITIES FACING THE GREATEST NEED, NOT SIMPLY TO PRESERVE
19 THE STATUS QUO. NO HOSPITAL BETTER ILLUSTRATES THESE
20 CHALLENGES THAN MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. MLKCH SERVES THE
21 HIGHEST VOLUME OF MEDI-CAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PATIENTS IN
22 CALIFORNIA, NEARLY 85,000 ANNUALLY, AND APPROXIMATELY 95% OF
23 ITS EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PATIENTS ARE COVERED BY MEDI-CAL. AN
24 INDEPENDENT REVIEW IS THEREFORE BOTH TIMELY AND PRUDENT. THE
25 STUDY PROPOSED IN THE ITEM DOES NOT PREDETERMINE ANY OUTCOME.



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SUPERVISORS

1 RATHER, IT ACTS AS AN INDEPENDENT EXPERT TO EVALUATE WHETHER
2 CURRENT ALLOCATIONS MAXIMIZE PUBLIC BENEFIT.

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

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6 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** ST. LUKE MEDICAL CENTER, PASADENA, 2002.
7 SANTA TERESA HOSPITAL IN DUARTE, 2004. BELLWOOD GENERAL
8 HOSPITAL, BELLFLOWER, 2003. ALISTAR COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, EAST
9 L.A., 2004. CENTURY CITY HOSPITAL, WEST L.A., 2004. RFK
10 MEDICAL CENTER, HAWTHORNE, 2004. DANIEL FREEMAN MEMORIAL
11 HOSPITAL, INGLEWOOD, 2007. CENTURY CITY DOCTORS HOSPITAL,
12 2008. MISSION HOSPITAL OF HUNTINGTON PARK, 2010. GARDENS
13 REGIONAL HOSPITAL HAWAIIAN GARDENS, 2017. PACIFIC ALLIANCE
14 MEDICAL CENTER IN CHINATOWN, 2017. ST. VINCENT MEDICAL CENTER
15 IN WESTLAKE IN 2020. THIS IS A LIST OF OUR DECEASED HOSPITALS.
16 AS WELL AS THE RECENT BANKRUPTCIES OF BEVERLY HOSPITAL IN
17 MONTEBELLO, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL IN CULVER CITY, AND
18 PACIFICA HOSPITAL IN SUN VALLEY FOUR WEEKS AGO. MEASURE B WAS
19 PASSED BECAUSE VOTERS FEARED THE COLLAPSE OF EMERGENCY AND
20 TRAUMA CARE, YET WE'VE CONTINUED TO LOSE THESE HOSPITALS. THE
21 HISTORY SHOWS WHY WE CANNOT BE ON --

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

24
25 **LATRICIA MICHELL:** LATRICIA MITCHELL, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS



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1 ANGELES NAACP, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
2 COLORED PEOPLE. WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 17, AN INDEPENDENT
3 REVIEW OF THE \$126,000,000 IN ANNUAL SUBSIDIES FOR HOSPITALS.
4 I JUST WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW THAT WE ARE ALL JUST ONE SERIOUS
5 INFECTION, ONE HEART ATTACK, OR ONE STROKE AWAY FROM NEEDING
6 EMERGENCY CARE. AND WHEN HOSPITALS CLOSE, PEOPLE STILL GET
7 SICK AND NEED A PLACE TO GO.

8

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

10

11 **FRANCES SAUNDERS:** FRANCES SAUNDERS, CALIFORNIA BLACK WOMEN'S
12 HEALTH PROJECT. AND WE SPEAK FOR AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 17 FOR AN
13 INDEPENDENT REVIEW. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE
14 MOST VULNERABLE ARE SUPPORTED AND THAT THERE'S EQUITY IN
15 HEALTHCARE. RESIDENTS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES ALREADY FACE
16 BARRIERS TO HEALTHCARE. WE NEED FAIR FUNDING TO PRESERVE LIFE-
17 SAVING SERVICES. I URGE, AND WE URGE, THE BOARD TO SUPPORT
18 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION TO THIS STUDY THAT WILL FIX THE
19 FORMULA. THANK YOU.

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

22

23 **REGINA MARTIN:** I'M REGINA MARTIN WITH BLACK WOMEN FOR
24 WELLNESS, SUPPORTING ITEM 17. I HAVE LIVED LONG ENOUGH TO SEE
25 MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL TRANSFORM FROM AN INFAMOUS NICKNAME TO



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1 BEING A TOP HOSPITAL THAT HAS SAVED THE LIVES OF MANY OF MY
2 BELOVED FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. IT HAS DISTURBED ME ON
3 EVERY LEVEL THAT A HOSPITAL SO BELOVED BY ITS COMMUNITY HAS TO
4 HOLD OUT A CUP EVERY YEAR AND BEG DESPERATELY FOR FUNDING. WE
5 AS A COMMUNITY ARE NOT BEGGARS. WE ARE WORKING-CLASS PEOPLE
6 WHO SUPPORT OUR FAMILIES. WE DESERVE TO BE TREATED WITH
7 DIGNITY AND RESPECT, AND THE HOSPITAL THAT SERVES US ALSO
8 DESERVES TO BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT. AND
9 THEREFORE, MEASURE B FUNDING NEEDS TO BE PRIORITIZED IN THE
10 ANNUAL FORMULA IN ORDER FOR MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND OTHER
11 VULNERABLE SAFETY NET HOSPITALS TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
12 NECESSARY CARE. WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FIX THE
13 FORMULA. THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **MICHEL PARAY:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. MY NAME IS MICHAEL PARAY. I
18 REPRESENT SEIU-UHW AND THE MEMBERS OF PACIFICA HOSPITAL OF THE
19 VALLEY. WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION FOR
20 AN INDEPENDENT STUDY FOR MEASURE B FUNDING. MEASURE B WAS
21 CREATED TO STRENGTHEN HOSPITALS SERVING COMMUNITIES WITH GREAT
22 NEED. PACIFICA CARES FOR AN UNDERPRIVILEGED COMMUNITY, AND OUR
23 FRONTLINE HEALTHCARE WORKERS CONTINUE TO MEET THE NEEDS
24 DESPITE ONGOING STAFFING SHORTAGES AND LIMITED RESOURCES. WITH
25 MEDICAID CUTS COMING IN JANUARY OF 2027, IT'S OUR



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1 RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC DOLLARS ARE INVESTED
2 WHERE THEY NEED TO GO TO MAKE THE GREATEST DIFFERENCE,
3 PROTECTING ACCESS TO CARE TO VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES,
4 SUPPORTING HEALTHCARE WORKERS, AND SERVE THEM EVERY DAY. THANK
5 YOU.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR REMOTE
8 CALLERS. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR REMOTE PARTICIPANTS TO BE
9 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE TO ADDRESS ITEM 17, IF YOU HAVE
10 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE ON YOUR DEVICE
11 OR PRESS *3 ON YOUR TELEPHONE NOW. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER
12 661, LAST TWO DIGITS 49, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR
13 NAME AND BEGIN.

14

15 **TIM KIELPINSKI:** HI, THIS IS TIM KIELPINSKI. I'M THE CHIEF
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER AT CATALINA ISLAND HEALTH. AND YES, MEASURE
17 B WAS FOR TRAUMA AND EMS. AND NO, WE ARE NOT A TRAUMA CENTER.
18 WE'RE NOT TRAUMA 1 OR TRAUMA 2. WE ARE A CRITICAL PART OF L.A.
19 COUNTY'S EMS SYSTEM. WE DO GET TRAUMA CASES THAT COME INTO OUR
20 HOSPITAL, INTO OUR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, BUT THE NICE THING
21 IS, THE GOOD THING IS THAT 90% OF THOSE TRAUMA CASES ARE
22 STABILIZED AND REMAIN ON THE ISLAND. YES, 10% OF THOSE ARE
23 MEDIVACED OFF THE ISLAND. IF WE CLOSE, THERE COULD BE ANOTHER
24 1,500 NEW MEDIVACS FOR L.A. COUNTY, WHICH WOULD BE ADDITIONAL
25 UNEXPECTED EXPENSES FOR L.A. COUNTY OF ANYWHERE FROM \$17 TO



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1 \$20,000,000. PARAMEDICS AND EMTS ARE CRITICAL TO THE EMS
2 SYSTEM, BUT THEY'RE NOT THE SAME AS EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT
3 DOCTORS THAT ARE MANNING OUR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT 24/7. AS
4 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SAID, JUST REASSESSING --

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 850, LAST TWO
7 DIGITS 37, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
8 BEGIN. OKAY. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 562, LAST TWO DIGITS 10,
9 YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN. CALLER,
10 YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

11

12 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** CRYSTAL JONES. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I
13 WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR APPROVING THIS MEASURE AND FOR
14 RECOGNIZING THAT MEANINGFUL CHANGE REQUIRES INFORMED DECISIONS
15 GROUNDED IN DATA, COMMUNITY VOICES, AND REAL NEEDS. NOW IS THE
16 TIME TO MOVE FROM PLANNING TO ACTION BY CONDUCTING
17 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS
18 ASSESSMENTS, DEVELOPING STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS, AND
19 IMPLEMENTING TRAUMA-INFORMED SOLUTIONS WITH CARE, WITH CLEAR
20 OBJECTIVES AND MEASURABLE OUTCOMES. AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS
21 SAID, THE RESET IS NEEDED. THAT RESET MUST BEGIN NOW. IT MEANS
22 CREATING IMMEDIATE REMEDIES THAT STABILIZE FAMILIES, STRENGTH
23 INTERVENTION AND REBUILD TRUST IN OUR SYSTEMS. WE NEED ONE
24 COORDINATED SYSTEM THAT DELIVERS WHOLE PERSON, WHOLE FAMILY,
25 AND WHOLE COMMUNITY CARE, NOT FRAGMENTED SERVICES THAT LEAVE



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1 PEOPLE NAVIGATING COMPLEX SYSTEMS ALONE. TOGETHER, WE CAN
2 BUILD RENEWED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORTS THAT WORK, RESTORE HOPE, AND
3 IMPROVE HEALTHCARE OUTCOMES, AND ENSURE EVERY RESIDENT HAS THE
4 OPPORTUNITY TO THRIVE. THE TIME --

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
7 LAST TWO DIGITS 52, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
8 AND BEGIN.

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10 **KANDEE LEWIS:** KANDEE LEWIS, CEO OF POSITIVE RESULTS CENTER,
11 AND I AM IN AGREEMENT THAT WE SHOULD DEFINITELY VOTE YES FOR
12 MEASURE B.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 828626,
15 LAST TWO DIGITS 10, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. CALLER WITH PHONE
16 NUMBER 323, LAST TWO DIGITS 89, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
17 BEGIN.

18

19 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DR. HECTOR
20 FLORES. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.
21 IN 2002, AND I'M SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF ITEM 17. IN 2002, LACMA
22 SUPPORTED THE MEASURE B INITIATIVE EXACTLY BECAUSE IT THAT NOT
23 ONLY SUPPORTED TRAUMA SERVICES BUT ALSO EMERGENCY ROOMS THAT
24 ARE THE BYWAYS AND HIGHWAYS TOWARDS TRAUMA, BUT ALSO OFFLOAD
25 THE TRAUMA CENTERS SO THEY CAN DO THEIR WORK. I CONTINUE TO



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1 PARTICIPATE WITH THE L.A. COUNTY SAFETY NET COALITION, WHICH
2 RECENTLY SUCCESSFULLY SUPPORTED THE MEASURE ER INITIATIVE, AND
3 WE ALSO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL HOSPITALS. I WORK AT
4 WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, WHICH IS A SAFETY NET HOSPITAL.
5 THAT RECENTLY AFFILIATED THE BANKRUPT BEVERLY HOSPITAL, WHICH
6 IS NOW CALLED ADVENTIST HEALTH MONTEBELLO. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
7 ALSO AFFECTED NOT ONLY BY TRAUMA AND EMERGENCIES BUT TOXICITY
8 IN THE AIR. WE'VE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED THE LINEAGE FIRE THAT
9 HAS ALSO AFFECTED THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 862, LAST TWO
12 DIGITS 10, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
13 BEGIN.

14

15 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI. HI, YOU GUYS CAN HEAR ME, RIGHT?

16

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

18

19 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** OKAY, COOL. SO, PLEASE, YOU GUYS HAVE TO
20 STOP THE CULLING AND MURDERING OF THESE DEER ON CATALINA
21 ISLAND. I BELIEVE THAT PROGRAM WAS APPROVED OR WHATEVER. IT
22 NEEDS TO BE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT DOESN'T CORRESPOND TO OUR ITEM,
25 THE MOTION BEFORE US, SO YOU CAN TALK ON PUBLIC COMMENT.



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

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5 **MIA COLEMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MIA COLEMAN, AND I'M
6 HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION BECAUSE HEALTHCARE IS A
7 MATTER OF JUSTICE. FOR FAR TOO LONG, BLACK, LATINO, IMMIGRANT,
8 AND LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN ASKED TO BEAR THE
9 CONSEQUENCES OF DISINVESTMENT. WE KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN
10 HOSPITALS CLOSE BECAUSE SOUTH LOS ANGELES LIVED THROUGH IT
11 AFTER THE CLOSURE OF MLK HOSPITAL. FAMILIES LOST NEARBY
12 EMERGENCY CARE, AND ENTIRE COMMUNITIES WERE LEFT MORE
13 VULNERABLE DURING MOMENTS WHEN EVERY SECOND MATTERED. MEASURE
14 B WAS PASSED BY VOTERS TO MAKE SURE OUR EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM
15 WOULD BE PROTECTED. BUT MORE THAN 20 YEARS LATER, WE STILL
16 DON'T KNOW WHETHER THOSE DOLLARS ARE REACHING THE HOSPITALS
17 CARRYING THE GREATEST BURDEN OF CARING FOR UNINSURED AND MEDI-
18 CAL PATIENTS. AS FEDERAL HEALTHCARE CUTS THREATEN OUR SAFETY
19 NET HOSPITALS, WE CANNOT AFFORD TO WAIT UNTIL ANOTHER
20 COMMUNITY LOSES ACCESS TO LIFE-SAVING CARE. WE NEED
21 TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND FUNDING THAT REFLECTS
22 TODAY'S REALITIES, NOT YESTERDAY'S. WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT.
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MASON FOWLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.



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1 PLEASE BEGIN.

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3 **MASON FOWLER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MASON FOWLER, AND I'M A MEMBER
4 OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. TODAY I'M TALKING IN SUPPORT
5 OF AGENDA ITEM 17. ENSURING MEASURE B FUNDS ARE PUT TO THEIR
6 HIGHEST AND BEST USE. AS SOMEONE WHO GREW UP IN L.A. COUNTY, I
7 KNOW THAT ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTHCARE CAN LOOK VERY DIFFERENT
8 DEPENDING ON WHERE YOU LIVE. ACCESS TO EMERGENCY CARE SHOULD
9 NEVER DEPEND ON YOUR ZIP CODE, BUT FOR MANY COMMUNITIES, THAT
10 HAS BEEN THE OVERALL REALITY. RESIDENTS OF SOUTH L.A. KNOW
11 THIS FIRSTHAND. WHEN MLK JR. HOSPITAL CLOSED IN 2007, FAMILIES
12 LOST ACCESS TO NEARBY EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA SERVICES AND WERE
13 FORCED TO TRAVEL FARTHER DURING MEDICAL EMERGENCIES. DELAYS IN
14 CARE CAN HAVE LIFE-CHANGING CONSEQUENCES. MEASURE B WAS
15 APPROVED BY THE VOTERS TO PROTECT EMERGENCY ROOMS, PRESERVE
16 TRAUMA CENTERS, AND ENSURE THE HOSPITALS SERVING VULNERABLE
17 COMMUNITIES HAVE RESOURCES NEEDED TO STAY OPEN. NOW, MORE THAN
18 OVER 20 YEARS LATER, HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS AND COMMUNITY NEEDS
19 HAVE CHANGED, BUT THERE HAS NOT BEEN A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW TO
20 DETERMINE WHETHER MEASURE B FUNDING IS STILL REACHING THE
21 HOSPITALS THAT NEED IT THE MOST. WITHOUT THAT REVIEW, WE RISK
22 LEAVING HISTORICAL UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES BEHIND, INCLUDING
23 BLACK AND LATINO COMMUNITIES, IMMIGRANT FAMILIES, SENIORS,
24 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
25 HOMELESSNESS.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626, LAST TWO
3 DIGITS 96, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, THIS IS ANDY WITH ULTIMATE AGAIN. DEAR
7 CHAIR SOLIS AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, ON BEHALF OF ULTIMATE
8 HEALTH SERVICES, WE EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR SUPERVISOR
9 MITCHELL'S MOTION TO CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF MEASURE
10 B FUNDING AND ITS ROLE IN SUPPORTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S
11 TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM. ULTIMATE BELIEVES THAT
12 ENSURING OUR SAFETY NET RESOURCES ARE ALIGNED WITH THE NEEDS
13 OF OUR COMMUNITIES IS ESSENTIAL. AS HEALTHCARE CONTINUES TO
14 FACE SIGNIFICANT UNCERTAINTY, INCLUDING POTENTIAL INCREASES IN
15 THE UNINSURED POPULATION AND GROWING PRESSURES ON PROVIDERS
16 SERVING VULNERABLE RESIDENTS, IT IS APPROPRIATE TO TAKE A
17 THOUGHTFUL, DATA-DRIVEN LOOK AT HOW EXISTING RESOURCES ARE
18 BEING USED. ULTIMATE SUPPORTS THIS MOTION AS AN IMPORTANT
19 OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER INFORMATION, EVALUATE CURRENT NEEDS, AND
20 ENSURE FUTURE DECISIONS ARE GUIDED BY EVIDENCE AND THE GOAL OF
21 IMPROVING CARE FOR THE COMMUNITIES WHO NEED IT THE MOST.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626,
24 LAST TWO DIGITS 77, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
25 AND BEGIN.



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2 **DR. STANLEY TOY:** HI, THIS IS DR. STANLEY TOY JR. I'M THE CEO
3 OF GRAND IWANA KIBINI HOSPITAL. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU
4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR HER COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO
5 INCLUDE CONSIDERATION FOR HOSPITALS THAT SERVE LOCAL
6 COMMUNITIES. I JUST WANT TO JUST STATE THAT THE VALUE OF
7 MEASURE B IS NOT ONLY JUST TO SUPPORT TRAUMA CENTERS, BUT ALSO
8 THIS SHOULD ALSO SUPPORT THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING FOR
9 EMERGENCY ROOMS IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY HOSPITALS, BOTH TO
10 ENSURE HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND FOR VIABILITY EMERGENCY SERVICES.
11 THANK YOU.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 626,
14 LAST TWO DIGITS 31, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
15 AND BEGIN.

16

17 **ROGER SHARMA:** I'M ROGER SHARMA. I'M PRESIDENT AND CEO OF MNH
18 HEALTH. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR HER COMMENTS AND
19 RECOMMENDATIONS TO INCLUDE CONSIDERATION FOR HOSPITALS THAT
20 SERVE COMMUNITY WITH HIGH SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL
21 VULNERABILITIES. I REPRESENT MNH HEALTH, A THREE -HOSPITAL
22 SYSTEM WHICH SERVES ABOUT A MILLION PEOPLE LIVING IN EAST SAN
23 GABRIEL COMMUNITIES. THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE HIGH RATES OF
24 MEDI-CAL, UNINSURED, AND IMMIGRANT PATIENTS. AS HOSPITALS
25 CONTEND WITH FEDERAL AND STATE IMPACTS THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO



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1 A LOSS OF HEALTH ACCESS, ER WILL BE THE PLACE THESE
2 COMMUNITIES RESORT TO FOR THEIR CARE. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE
3 VOTE TO ENSURE THAT A FUTURE STUDY OF MEASURE B ALLOCATIONS
4 ENSURE ADEQUATE ACCESS TO TRAUMA AND ER SERVICES FOR THE
5 COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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

9
10 **BYRON JOSE:** GOOD MORNING, THIS IS BYRON WITH THE TRANSLATINA
11 COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
12 AND YOUR ENTIRE TEAM FOR ENGAGING VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS THROUGH
13 THIS PROCESS. ALSO THROUGH THE CLUSTER PROCESS. IT HELPS
14 PEOPLE BE ABLE TO BE ENGAGED INTENTIONALLY, AND ALWAYS FOR
15 YOUR TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE CALLING FOR INDEPENDENT EVALUATION
16 AS WE MOVE FORWARD TO UPHOLDING THE WILL OF THE VOTERS THROUGH
17 A MORE EQUITABLE LENS. THANK YOU.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO BACK TO OUR IN-
20 PERSON SPEAKERS. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
21 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? ADINA TESLER, VICTORIA
22 DOCHO GALIAN. PAUL YOUNG. BRIAN SMOLSKIS. CLAY FARRELL.
23 CAROLYN CALDWELL. DEE DEE T., EDNA TRANSON. SARAH HARRIS.
24 FRANCISCO AGUIRRE. LAUREN ESPY. FREDOLIN POMATMAT. OLIVER
25 ELIZADEH. JOHN WESTALL. JORGE REYNOSO. EMMANUEL M. JULIA ZINA,



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1 IRA IRA, BUKOLA OLUSANYA, ALEX BASS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE
2 BEGIN.

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4 **CHELSEA VELEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS CHELSEA VELEZ. I'M HERE WITH
5 TRANSLATINA COALITION. I'M ALSO A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. WITH
6 RECENT FEDERAL FUNDING CUTS IMPACTING HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY
7 DEPARTMENTS, IT IS CRITICAL THAT MEASURE B DOLLARS ARE
8 DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY AND REACH VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES SUCH AS
9 THE TRANSGENDER GENDER-EXPANSIVE, INTERSEX, AND IMMIGRANT
10 COMMUNITIES. THE TGI COMMUNITY DISPROPORTIONATELY EXPERIENCES
11 HIGH RATES OF BEING UNINSURED AND ON MEDI-CAL DUE TO SYSTEMIC
12 POVERTY, DISCRIMINATION, AND IMMIGRATION STATUS. OUR
13 COMMUNITIES EXPERIENCE HIGH RATES OF TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE. AS
14 YOU VOTE ON THIS MOTION, I HOPE YOU ALL VOTE YES AND IN
15 SUPPORT OF IT. I ALSO HOPE THAT THERE IS AN INTENTIONAL EFFORT
16 TO STUDY IF MEASURE B FUNDING HAS TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE FOR OUR
17 TGI COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **JEREMY ZOCH:** HI, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. JEREMY
22 ZOCH. I'M PRESIDENT AND CEO OF NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL IN THE 3RD
23 DISTRICT, AND I'M HERE TO RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU OPPOSE
24 THIS MEASURE AS IT'S CURRENTLY WRITTEN. I THINK THE TRAUMA
25 FUNDS THAT ARE AVAILABLE HAVE BEEN HELPING BUILD AND SUSTAIN A



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1 STRONG TRAUMA COMMUNITY. THOSE TRAMA PROGRAMS AS WELL AS
2 TRYING TO SUPPORT AND SUSTAIN THEM. THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN
3 BROUGHT UP TODAY FRANKLY FEEL LIKE ALMOST MORE ISSUES THAT ARE
4 IN THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS RATHER THAN LOOKING AT THESE
5 PROBLEMS WHICH ARE IN THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FUNDED THROUGH
6 MEASURE B. SO I WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT WE CONTINUE TO
7 HAVE THE MEASURE B FUNDS FOR TRAUMA HOSPITALS GO TO THOSE
8 HOSPITALS, AND EFFORTS WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN TO SEE WHAT WE CAN
9 DO TO HELP THOSE HOSPITALS TO FIND OTHER FUNDS TO BE ABLE TO
10 SUSTAIN THOSE PROGRAMS. I REALLY DO FEEL THAT IT PUTS IT AT
11 RISK BY TAKING THESE FUNDS AND MOVING THEM AROUND TO MORE
12 HOSPITALS. IT PUTS OUR TRAUMA NETWORK AT RISK. THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **CHRISTOPHER FERNANDEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS CHRISTOPHER
17 FERNANDEZ. I'M A REGISTERED NURSE AT MLK FOR THE LAST 11
18 YEARS, STARTING IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, NOW IN THE ICU AS
19 A CHARGE NURSE. I'VE SEEN THE PATIENT CENSUS SINCE WE'VE
20 OPENED GROW OVER THE LAST DECADE. QUICKLY OUTGROWING OUR
21 SPACES, TURNING OUR GIFT SHOP, CHAPEL, WAITING ROOM, AND ANY
22 AVAILABLE NOOK AND CRANNY INTO PATIENT CARE AREAS. WE'VE BEEN
23 WORKING OUT OF MASH-STYLE TENTS YEAR AFTER YEAR, ALL THE WHILE
24 ENSURING THE DELIVERY OF HIGH QUALITY, ACCESSIBLE, CULTURALLY
25 COMPETENT, AND EMPATHETIC CARE DELIVERED BY THOSE NOT JUST



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1 COMING TO WORK A JOB BUT TO SERVE ONE OF THE MOST UNDERSERVED
2 COMMUNITIES IN THE NATION. ASKING FOR A PRESENT-DAY
3 INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF HOW HEALTHCARE FUND IS ALLOCATED TO
4 COMMUNITIES IS JUST A LOGICAL CHOICE AFTER BEING PUT IN PLACE
5 OVER 20 YEARS AGO. WE LIVE IN A DYNAMIC TIME WHERE WE SHOULD
6 BE CONSISTENTLY REVIEWING ALL POLICIES ALREADY IN PLACE TO
7 ENSURE THAT WE DO THE MOST GOOD FOR THE MOST AMOUNT OF PEOPLE
8 WHILE SUPPORTING OUR MOST VULNERABLE AND UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY
9 MEMBERS. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM 17.

10

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

12

13 **SARAH KIM:** HI, MY NAME IS SARAH KIM. I'M A PRACTICING
14 PHYSICIAN AT MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MY
15 PATIENTS WHO GET THEIR CARE AT MLK. PLEASE SUPPORT ITEM 17.
16 THIS MOTION ENSURES THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE FUNDS FROM
17 MEASURE B IS TRANSPARENT AND FAIR. THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **LUPE RETAMOSA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LUPE RETAMOSA, AND I
22 AM THE FINANCIAL CONTROLLER FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY
23 HOSPITAL. I'VE BEEN WITH THE ORGANIZATION NOW 11 YEARS. I KNOW
24 FIRSTHAND THE FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS THAT THIS HOSPITAL IS
25 EXPERIENCING. AND MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE MEETING OUR PAYROLL,



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1 THAT WE'RE PAYING OUR BILLS, AND WE'RE STAYING ABOVE WATER
2 FINANCIALLY. I ALSO COME TO YOU AS SOMEONE WHO HAS FAMILY AND
3 FRIENDS THAT HAVE BEEN SERVED BY THIS HOSPITAL WITH GREAT
4 OUTCOMES. SO TODAY I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT HOLLY MITCHELL'S
5 MEASURE B INITIATIVE FOR AN INDEPENDENT STUDY. THANK YOU FOR
6 YOUR TIME.

7

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

9

10 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** I'M TAUSIF, AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT 1. I
11 WORK AT MLK COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE. MLK IS IN ONE OF THE MOST
12 UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTY, AND 80% OF OUR PATIENTS
13 ARE ON MEDI-CAL. EQUITABLE MEASURE B FUNDING FOR NON-COUNTY
14 HOSPITALS LIKE OURS GIVES US A LIFELINE, AND IF WE DON'T GET
15 FUNDING, OUR HOSPITAL MAY SHUT DOWN. AND IF WE SHUT DOWN,
16 PEOPLE MAY DIE. WE'RE FIGHTING TO KEEP OUR LIGHTS ON, SO
17 PLEASE CONSIDER A STUDY TO REASSESS FUNDING.

18

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

20

21 **SONIA ROSAS:** HI, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS SONIA
22 ROSAS, AND I'M A PATIENT NAVIGATOR AT ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY
23 HEALTH THAT SERVES THE COMMUNITY WITHIN THE SPOT 6. I'M HERE
24 IN FULL SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 17 TO ENSURE MEASURE B FUNDS
25 ARE PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST AND BEST USE. FOR THE COMMUNITY. I



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1 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IS BEING SEEN AT EMERGENCY
2 FACILITIES REGARDLESS OF THEIR FINANCIAL AND LEGAL STATUS.
3 PLEASE VOTE ON ITEM NUMBER 17. THANK YOU. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

4

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

6

7 **BRIAN SMOLSKIS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS BRIAN SMOLSKIS. I'M THE
8 PRESIDENT AND CEO OF CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, THE
9 ONLY HOSPITAL IN DOWNTOWN L.A. I OPPOSE THIS MEASURE I DON'T
10 ENVY YOU. IT'S VERY COMPLEX. THE REASON I OPPOSE THIS MEASURE
11 IS BECAUSE, LIKE MANY OF THESE HOSPITALS, WE BARELY MAKE IT.
12 AND AS WE BARELY MAKE IT, ANY IMPACT TO OUR TRAUMA FUNDS WOULD
13 MOST LIKELY LEAD TO US NOT BEING ABLE TO PROVIDE TRAUMA. THOSE
14 ARE JUST THE FACTS OF THE CASE. AND AS IT WAS SAID BEFORE, I
15 THINK THE ISSUES THAT YOU BRING HERE ARE PRETTY COMPLICATED.
16 AND THEY NEED TO BE LOOKED AT. BUT LOOKING AT TAKING AWAY FROM
17 THE TRAUMA FUNDS THAT ESTABLISHED A TRAUMA PROGRAM THAT WORKS
18 EFFECTIVELY WITH ALL THE HOSPITALS, I THINK IS NOT THE RIGHT
19 WAY TO GO. APPRECIATE THE TIME. THANK YOU.

20

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

22

23 **CAROLYN CALDWELL:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU, HONORABLE L.A.
24 COUNTY SUPERVISORS, FOR LISTENING TO US THIS MORNING. I'M
25 CAROLYN CALDWELL. I'M THE HOSPITAL PRESIDENT AND CEO OF ST.



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1 MARY MEDICAL CENTER IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS IN
2 L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE A SAFETY NET HOSPITAL. WE ARE ALSO A LEVEL
3 2 TRAUMA CENTER. LONG BEACH SERVES A VERY UNDERSERVED
4 COMMUNITY. PROBABLY 80% OF THE PATIENTS THAT WE CARE FOR ARE
5 ON SOME TYPE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDING. WE ARE A LEVEL 2 TRAUMA
6 CENTER, WHICH IS EXTREMELY COSTLY BECAUSE WE HAVE TO HAVE
7 PHYSICIANS AND SPECIALISTS THERE TO TAKE CARE OF ANYONE WHO
8 WALKS THROUGH THE DOORS OF OUR HOSPITAL. I OPPOSE THIS MEASURE
9 BECAUSE I REALLY THINK IT WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO OUR AREA IF
10 WE BEGIN TO DESTABILIZE OUR TRAUMA CENTERS. THANK YOU.

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

13
14 **EDNA TRANSON:** HELLO, MY NAME IS EDNA TRANSOM. I AM A
15 REGISTERED NURSE AND THE TRAUMA PROGRAM MANAGER AT MEMORIAL
16 CARE LONG BEACH MEDICAL CENTER. AS A LEVEL 2 TRAUMA CENTER
17 CARING FOR BOTH ADULTS AND CHILDREN, WE RESPECTFULLY OPPOSE
18 THE MEASURE B MOTION, AGENDA ITEM 17. MILLER CHILDREN'S AND
19 WOMEN'S HOSPITAL SERVES A PATIENT POPULATION THAT IS OVER 70%
20 MEDI-CAL, AND MEMORIALCARE LONG BEACH MEDICAL CENTER HAS AN
21 80% PUBLIC PAYER MIX, INCLUDING MEDI-CAL AND MEDICARE. ONLY
22 ABOUT 18% OF THE MEASURE B FUNDS SUPPORT THE 13 NON-PUBLIC
23 TRAUMA CENTERS IN L.A. COUNTY. AND THAT FUNDING DOES NOT FULLY
24 COVER THE COST OF TRAUMA SERVICES OR COVERAGE FOR UNINSURED
25 AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS. WE SUPPORT PROTECTING ACCESS TO



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1 HEALTHCARE IN THE FACE OF H.R.-1, BUT NOT BY SHIFTING MEASURE
2 B RESOURCES AWAY FROM TRAUMA HOSPITALS AND DESTABILIZING THE
3 TRAUMA SYSTEM THAT SERVES ALL OF L.A. COUNTY COMMUNITIES.
4 THANK YOU.

5
6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW GO TO OUR REMOTE
7 CALLERS. HELEN TRAN, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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9 **HELEN TRAN:** HI, GOOD MORNING. THIS IS HELEN TRAN. I'M A SENIOR
10 ATTORNEY WITH THE WESTERN CENTER ON LAW AND POVERTY, AND WE
11 ARE HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION TO
12 STUDY THE IMPACTS OF MEASURE B'S FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR
13 HOSPITALS THAT PROVIDE TRAUMA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. HERE
14 AT WESTERN CENTER, WE HAVE BEEN CLOSELY INVOLVED IN THE
15 DEVELOPING OF STATE SOLUTIONS TO RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGES
16 FACING OUR STATE MEDI-CAL SYSTEM. FROM THE FEDERAL FUNDING
17 CUTS FROM H.R.-1. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL
18 REVENUE SOLUTIONS THAT ARE DISTRIBUTED FAIRLY AND
19 STRATEGICALLY IN LIGHT OF OUR CHANGING FEDERAL FUNDING
20 LANDSCAPE. SO WE'RE HERE TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD
21 TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION. THANK YOU.

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
24 LAST TWO DIGITS 25, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
25 AND BEGIN.



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2 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS DALEY BROOKS HENRY. I AM A
3 MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK SOCIAL WORKERS OF
4 GREATER LOS ANGELES. I'M ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 17. I BELIEVE
5 IT'S A DISSERVICE THAT THE MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL TRAUMA
6 HOSPITAL IS BEING EXCLUDED CURRENTLY FROM THE FUNDING OF THE
7 \$126,000,000 ANNUAL BUDGET OF PUBLIC SUBSIDIES TO HOSPITALS.
8 MLK HAS BROUGHT QUALITY HEALTHCARE TO OUR ALREADY UNDERSERVED
9 AND MARGINALIZED COMMUNITY, IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT A PORTION OF
10 THE FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED TO MLK TO PROVIDE THE NEEDED
11 HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY
12 SENIORS. AND I ACTUALLY HAVE SENIOR MEMBERS IN MY FAMILY THAT
13 WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THIS, CHILDREN AND OTHERS IN THE
14 COMMUNITY. PLEASE VOTE YES ON MEASURE B.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. BROOKLYN CARTER, YOUR LINE IS
17 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

18

19 **BROOKLYN CARTER:** MY NAME IS BROOKLYN CARTER. I'M AN INTERN
20 WITH LA DEFENSA IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 17. NEARLY 25 YEARS AGO,
21 L.A. COUNTY VOTERS APPROVED MEASURE B WITH A CLEAR PROMISE TO
22 PROTECT OUR COUNTYWIDE TRAUMA SYSTEM, PRESERVE EMERGENCY
23 MEDICAL SERVICES, AND ENSURE LIFE-SAVING CARE WOULD BE
24 AVAILABLE WHEN PEOPLE NEED IT MOST. TODAY, MEASURE B GENERATES
25 MORE THAN \$340,000,000 EACH YEAR, BUT OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM



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1 HAS CHANGED DRAMATICALLY. THE COUNTY IS NOW FACING
2 UNPRECEDENTED CHALLENGES WITH AN ESTIMATED 1,100,000 RESIDENTS
3 PROJECTED TO LOSE MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY, PLACING EVEN GREATER
4 PRESSURE ON EMERGENCY ROOMS AND TRAUMA CENTERS THAT ALREADY
5 SERVE OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. AS MORE PATIENTS BECOME
6 UNINSURED, HOSPITALS THAT CARE FOR LARGER NUMBERS OF MEDI-CAL
7 AND UNINSURED PATIENTS WILL HOLD EVEN GREATER BURDEN. OUR
8 COMMUNITY WILL SUFFER WITHOUT ACCESS TO LIFE-SAVING TREATMENT,
9 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BLACK, LATINO, DISABLED, AND
10 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THE COUNTY CANNOT RESPONSIBLY
11 DECIDE MEASURE B FUNDING IS WORKING IF IT HAS NEVER FULLY BEEN

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13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** JOY RICHARDSON. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
15 BEGIN.

16
17 **JOY RICHARDSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOY RICHARDSON, AND
18 I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE SAINT JOSEPH CENTER IN SUPPORT
19 OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION TO ENSURE MEASURE B FUNDS ARE
20 PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST AND BEST USE. AS A HOMELESS SERVICES
21 PROVIDER, WE SEE FIRSTHAND HOW CRITICAL ACCESS TO EMERGENCY
22 AND TRAUMA CARE IS FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS,
23 INCLUDING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO OFTEN FACE
24 SIGNIFICANT HEALTH CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS TO CARE. A STRONG
25 EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM REQUIRES INVESTMENT ACROSS THE CONTINUUM



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1 OF SERVICES, FROM PREVENTION AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO
2 HOSPITALS AND TRAUMA FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE LIFE-SAVING CARE
3 WHEN PEOPLE ARE IN CRISIS. WHEN EMERGENCY SYSTEMS ARE
4 STRAINED, THE IMPACTS ARE FELT MOST DEEPLY BY INDIVIDUALS AND
5 FAMILIES WHO HAVE THE FEWEST RESOURCES AND THE GREATEST
6 BARRIERS TO ACCESSING CARE. WE SUPPORT A THOUGHTFUL AND
7 INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF MEASURE B FUNDING TO ENSURE THESE
8 RESOURCES ARE BEING ALLOCATED STRATEGICALLY, EQUITABLY, AND IN
9 A WAY THAT BEST MEETS THE NEEDS OF COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT L.A.
10 COUNTY. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
11 MITCHELL'S MOTION AND CONTINUE INVESTING IN A STRONG,
12 ACCESSIBLE, AND RESPONSIVE CARE SYSTEM FOR ALL. THANK YOU.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ALEXIS TANNER, YOUR LINE IS
15 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. ALEXIS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. WE'LL GO TO THE
16 NEXT CALLER. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213 ENDING WITH 05, YOUR
17 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

18
19 **KEVIN LEE:** HELLO, HOW YOU DOING? MY NAME IS KEVIN LEE AND I'M
20 THE PRESIDENT OF WE ARE WE GOT SOUTH CENTRAL STYLE CAR CLUB
21 WHO DEAL WITH AT-RISK YOUTH AND HOMELESS YOUTH. I'M HERE IN
22 SUPPORT OF HOLLY MITCHELL FOR MEASURE B. YES. FUNDING ARE USED
23 TO ITS HIGHEST AND BEST USE. I AM IN AN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY
24 WHERE YOU'RE DEALING WITH GANG MEMBERS AND SHOOTINGS AND
25 EVERYTHING THAT GOES ON. SO TAKING AWAY THIS MEASURE FROM



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1 MARTIN LUTHER KING WHERE WE CAN HAVE A TRAUMA CENTER WOULD
2 DEVASTATE THE COMMUNITY RIGHT THERE. SO I SUPPORT THAT YOU
3 GUYS RECOGNIZE MEASURE B AND VOTE YES. THANK YOU.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ALEXIS TANNER, YOUR LINE IS
6 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

7
8 **ALEXIS TANNER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M ALSO HERE ON BEHALF OF ST.
9 JOSEPH CENTER IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION,
10 AGENDA ITEM 17. MEASURE B WAS CREATED TO STRENGTHEN L.A.
11 COUNTY'S TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEMS, AND THAT MISSION
12 ONLY HOLDS IF FUNDING KEEPS THE PACE WHERE THE NEED ACTUALLY
13 IS. WE'RE ENTERING A PERIOD WHERE FEDERAL CHANGES ARE EXPECTED
14 TO PLACE NEW PRESSURE ON HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS,
15 PARTICULARLY THOSE SERVING MEDI-CAL AND UNINSURED PATIENTS.
16 WITHOUT A CLEAR PICTURE OF HOW MEASURE B DOLLARS ARE CURRENTLY
17 ALLOCATED, THE COUNTY RISKS FUNDING YESTERDAY'S NEEDS INSTEAD
18 OF TODAY'S. A STUDY OF THE CURRENT ALLOCATION IS A REASONABLE
19 AND RESPONSIBLE STEP. IT GIVES THE BOARD THE INFORMATION
20 NEEDED TO DIRECT THESE RESOURCES WHERE THEY WILL DO THE MOST
21 GOOD AND ENSURE NO COMMUNITY IS LEFT BEHIND AS THE LANDSCAPE
22 SHIFTS. WE RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL'S MOTION. THANK YOU.

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



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1 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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3 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YES, 2026, YOU DO NOT NEED AN EXPERT. YOU NEED
4 A 5-YEAR-OLD TO DO THE MATH. I HAVE WORKED THEM ALL, ER, ICU,
5 AND MLK. ONLY 40% OF THE PATIENTS IN TRAUMA HAVE INSURANCE. IT
6 IS A MATTER OF COMMON-SENSE MONEY. TRAUMA CENTERS ARE MONEY
7 LOSERS. EVERYTHING HAS ENDPOINT, WHICH IS ACCELERATED BY
8 GOVERNMENT DEMOCRATS FLOODING THE SYSTEM WITH ILLEGAL ALIENS,
9 HENCE DEFRAUDING FEDERAL TAXPAYERS. ER AS A CLINIC IS A DEATH
10 WISH. I HAVE WORKED ALL OF THE HOSPITALS CLOSURES MENTIONED.
11 CALIFORNIA IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE 4TH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE
12 WORLD, AND YOU PEOPLE AGAIN, I'VE BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME IN
13 THIS SYSTEM, AND YOU STILL CAN'T GET IT. IT'S A MATTER OF
14 MONEY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 530
17 LAST TWO DIGITS 25. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
18 AND BEGIN. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

19

20 **SUSIE HERRERA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SUSIE HERRERA, SPEAKING ON
21 BEHALF OF CEDAR SINAI MEDICAL CENTER, A LEVEL ONE TRAUMA
22 CENTER, AND HUNTINGTON. HOSPITAL LEVEL 2 TRAUMA CENTER IN
23 OPPOSITION TO AGENDA ITEM 17. WE HAVE SUBMITTED WRITTEN
24 COMMENTS FOR THE BOARD'S REVIEW AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
25 CONSIDERATION. THANKS.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 714,
3 LAST TWO DIGITS 37, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
4 AND BEGIN.

5

6 **NISHA ZALA:** HI, MY NAME IS NISHA ZALA. I'M A PHARMACIST
7 WORKING WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. I
8 RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S
9 MOTION. MEASURE B FUNDS NEED TO CONTINUE TO BE ALLOCATED IN A
10 WAY THAT REFLECTS THE CURRENT NEEDS AND CHALLENGES OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY PATIENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
14 LAST TWO DIGITS 35, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
15 AND BEGIN.

16

17 **JUAN DE LA CRUZ:** HI, MY NAME IS JUAN DE LA CRUZ. I REPRESENT
18 ADVENTIST HEALTH WHITE MEMORIAL L.A. AND MONTEBELLO. I'M
19 CALLING TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO ENSURE THAT
20 THE FUTURE FUNDING FOR ALLOCATION MEASURE B PRESERVES AND
21 STRENGTHENS ACCESS TO TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR L.A.
22 COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE
23 HAVE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH NUMBERS OF MEDI-CAL
24 BENEFICIARIES, UNINSURED INDIVIDUALS, AND IMMIGRANT FAMILIES
25 WHO DEPEND ON OUR HOSPITALS FOR ACCESS TO CARE. OUR



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1 COMMUNITIES ALREADY RELY HEAVILY ON EMERGENCY SERVICES. LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS SAW MORE THAN 3,100,000
3 VISITS IN 2014. AS HOSPITALS, WE CONTINUE TO FACE SIGNIFICANT
4 FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING AND POLICY IMPACTS THAT THREATEN
5 ACCESS TO CARE. MORE RESIDENTS WILL TURN TO EMERGENCY
6 DEPARTMENTS AS THEIR PRIMARY SOURCE OF HEALTHCARE. SO WE URGE
7 THE BOARD TO APPROVE MEASURE B.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE ARE NO OTHER
10 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
11 ITEM 17 IS NOW CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON
12 SPEAKERS. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **ADENA TESSLER:** HELLO, ADINA TESSLER ON BEHALF OF HASC. WE
15 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND AND
16 PERSPECTIVE AS YOU CONSIDER A STUDY OF MEASURE B FUNDS.
17 MEASURE B WAS ENACTED IN 2002 TO STABILIZE TRAUMA CARE
18 CAPACITY AFTER SIGNIFICANT DECLINE IN TRAUMA HOSPITALS DUE TO
19 COST PRESSURES. IN THE 1980S, THERE WERE 22 TRAUMA HOSPITALS.
20 BY 1994, THERE WERE ONLY 11 BECAUSE THEY WERE FINANCIALLY
21 UNSUSTAINABLE. AFTER MEASURE B PASSED, ANTELOPE VALLEY MEDICAL
22 CENTER AND POMONA VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER WE'RE OPEN TO CLOSE
23 THE GAPS IN TRAUMA CARE ACROSS OUR COUNTY. CURRENT ALLOCATIONS
24 OF MEASURE B FUNDS FOR NON-PUBLIC TRAUMA HOSPITALS IS ONLY 18%
25 OF THE OVERALL FUND, AND IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO SUSTAIN



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1 EXISTING TRAUMA PROGRAMS DUE TO RISING COSTS, INFLATION, AND
2 CHANGES TO PATIENT COVERAGE. SEVERAL OF THESE RECIPIENTS TODAY
3 ARE FINANCIALLY DISTRESSED TRAUMA HOSPITALS AND LOOKING TO
4 CHANGE SERVICE LINES AND CLOSE SERVICE LINES. THE FORMULA USED
5 TO DISTRIBUTE THE 18% OF MEASURE B FUNDS --

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

8
9 **VICTORIA DOCHOGLIAN:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND HONORABLE
10 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VICTORIA DOCHOGLIAN, SENIOR MANAGER
11 OF GOVERNMENT AND POLICY RELATIONS AT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS
12 ANGELES, SPEAKING IN OPPOSITION OF ITEM 17. AS THE BOARD
13 CONSIDERS THIS MEASURE B REVIEW, I ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER THAT
14 CHLA IS BOTH A LEVEL 1 TRAUMA CENTER AND A HIGH MEDI-CAL HIGH
15 ACUITY HOSPITAL. MORE THAN 70% OF OUR PATIENTS ARE COVERED BY
16 MEDI-CAL, AND WE CARE FOR SOME OF THE MOST MEDICALLY COMPLEX
17 CHILDREN IN THE REGION. TO CHAIR SOLIS'S POINT AT LOOKING AT
18 IMMIGRATION STATUS DATA, WE AT CHLA DO NOT ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT
19 A CHILD'S IMMIGRATION STATUS FOR THEIR SAFETY, ESPECIALLY WITH
20 THE RECENT ELEVATED FEARS SURROUNDING THIS ISSUE. UNDOCUMENTED
21 CHILDREN ARE COVERED BY MEDI-CAL, AND WE DO NOT KEEP TRACK OF
22 THE STATUS, WHICH ANY REPORT MADE SHOULD CONSIDER. WE
23 RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO PRESERVE THE 18% FUNDING
24 ALLOCATION FOR THE 13 NON-COUNTY TRAUMA HOSPITALS THAT L.A.
25 COUNTY FAMILIES DEPEND ON EVERY DAY. TO ADD, REDISTRIBUTING



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1 FUNDS DOES NOT REDISTRIBUTE CAPABILITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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5 **PAUL YOUNG:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. PAUL YOUNG WITH HASC. THANK
6 YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND ON MEASURE B.
7 HOSPITAL FINANCES ARE AN AMALGAM OF CALCULUS AND JENGA. AND
8 LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2 TRAUMA HOSPITALS ARE BASICALLY THE TOP OF
9 THAT JENGA PUZZLE. YOU'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT THE CONTINUUM OF
10 CARE TODAY FROM ST. JOHN'S CLINIC, AS WELL AS SOME OF OUR
11 OTHER MEMBERS IN PACIFICA OF THE VALLEY, MLK COMMUNITY, AS
12 WELL AS CATALINA ISLAND. AND WE'RE COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT
13 HOSPITALS ARE STRUGGLING IN THIS DAY, AND THAT STRUGGLE WILL
14 INCREASE WITH THE IMPACTS OF H.R.-1 IMPACTING US IN 2027. WE
15 LOOK FORWARD TO TRYING TO FIND A SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION MOVING
16 FORWARD. BUT JUST TO PROVIDE SOME ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND, THE
17 \$125,000,000 INCLUDES FEDERAL DOLLARS. SO THE PRIVATE TRAUMA
18 HOSPITALS ARE ABLE TO DRAW IN, FORTUNATELY, RIGHT, MATCHING
19 FEDERAL DOLLARS INTO OUR HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM. IN
20 ADDITION, IF YOU LOOK ACROSS THE COUNTY, THERE ARE OVER 4
21 MILLION EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS PER ANNUM ACROSS OUR 68
22 911 RECEIVING HOSPITALS. SO, SO THE BREADTH THAT, THAT WILL --

23

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

25



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1 **LAUREN ESPY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAUREN ESPY, AND I'M THE
2 DIRECTOR OF EQUITY AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AT MLK COMMUNITY
3 HEALTHCARE, A COMMUNITY THAT MY OWN FAMILY COMES FROM AND HAS
4 FELT IMPACT. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S
5 MOTION TO ENSURE MEASURE B FUNDS ARE PUT TO THEIR HIGHEST AND
6 BEST USE. THESE MEASURE B FUNDS MUST BUILD A STRONGER, MORE
7 SUSTAINABLE EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM FOR ALL OF L.A. COUNTY,
8 ESPECIALLY FOR HOSPITALS THAT DEPEND AND LEAN ON THESE TYPES
9 OF FUNDS. OF FUNDS WHICH OUR COMMUNITY DEPEND ON FOR LIFE-
10 SAVING CARE. WE URGE AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW THAT PROVIDES
11 OBJECTIVE FACTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO HELP THE BOARD MAKE
12 INFORMED, THOUGHTFUL, AND LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS FOR THE SAKE OF
13 ALL COMMUNITIES THIS DIRECTLY IMPACTS, WHO DESERVE A FUNDING
14 SYSTEM THAT IS TRANSPARENT AND EVIDENCE-BASED, WHO DESERVE
15 ACCESS TO EQUITABLE CARE. THANK YOU.

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER.

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19 **FREDALYN PAMATMAT:** MY NAME IS FREDALYN PAMATMAT, THE CONTRACT
20 MANAGER HERE AT MLK I URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
21 MICHELLE'S MOTION. WITH THE FEDERAL MEDICAID CUTS INCREASING
22 PRESSURE AND FINANCIAL STRUGGLE OF PACIFIC HOSPITAL, CATALINA
23 ISLAND MEDICAL CENTER, AND MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL,
24 MEASURE B HAS THE ABILITY TO BUILD A STRONGER AND SUSTAINABLE
25 EMERGENCY CARE SYSTEM FOR EVERYONE IN L.A. COUNTY. ANNUAL ONE-



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1 TIME BAILOUTS ARE NOT A LONG-TERM SOLUTION. ASK THE BOARD TO
2 SUPPORT ITEM 17, AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY PATIENTS DESERVE
3 FUNDING SYSTEMS THAT IS TRANSPARENT, EVIDENCE-BASED, AND
4 PREPARED FOR THE CHALLENGES AHEAD. WE CAN DO IT TOGETHER. JUST
5 TAKE THE TIME TO REVIEW EVERYTHING, AND LET'S COME IN UNITY
6 AND SOLVE THE PROBLEM FOR EVERYONE.

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

9

10 **JORGE REYNO:** GOOD MORNING. I'M DR. JORGE REYNO. I'M THE SENIOR
11 VICE PRESIDENT FOR POPULATION HEALTH AT MLK COMMUNITY
12 HOSPITAL. I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 17. OUR
13 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT IN WILLOWBROOK IS AMONG THE BUSIEST IN
14 CALIFORNIA, OVER 120,000 VISITS A YEAR AND 131-BED HOSPITAL,
15 THE MAJORITY OF THOSE COVERED BY MEDI-CAL OR UNINSURED. FOR
16 SOUTH L.A., OUR ED IS THE FRONT DOOR AND OFTEN THE ONLY DOOR.
17 MEASURE B WAS PASSED BY VOTERS TO SUSTAIN EMERGENCY CARE
18 COUNTYWIDE, BUT THE ALLOCATION IS ANCHORED IN TRAUMA
19 DESIGNATION, NOT EMERGENCY BURDEN. THE HOSPITAL CARRYING THE
20 HEAVIEST EMERGENCY LOAD HAS BEEN FUNDED BY WHAT'S LEFT OVER.
21 WE'RE NOT ASKING FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN A REVIEW OF THE
22 ALLOCATION AND TO REFLECT WHERE THE NEED IS. SO WE CALL FOR
23 SUPPORT OF THE REVIEW OF THE METHODOLOGY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

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



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2 **JONATHAN WESTALL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JONATHAN WESTALL.
3 I'M VICE PRESIDENT, ANCILLARY SERVICES AT MARTIN LUTHER KING.
4 MY FIRST THREE YEARS OF MY HEALTHCARE CAREER WAS AT ONE OF
5 THOSE 13 UNNAMED NON-COUNTY TRAUMA CENTERS. SO I WORKED THERE
6 AND THEN I WENT TO MLK ABOUT NINE YEARS AGO AND EVERYBODY
7 THERE THOUGHT I WAS CRAZY BECAUSE I LEFT THE BEAUTIFUL SUBURBS
8 AND THE DIFFERENT WAITING ROOMS AND THE DONOR AREAS, THE
9 DIFFERENT MENUS. AND IT WAS A GREAT PLACE TO WORK AND IT
10 PROVIDED GREAT CARE AND I'M NOT BAGGING ON IT AT ALL. BUT MLK
11 IS DIFFERENT. OUR WAITING ROOMS ARE TENTS. OUR WAITING ROOMS
12 ARE PATIENT CARE AREAS. WE'RE NOT ASKING FOR ANY MORE MONEY.
13 WE'RE NOT HERE ASKING FOR A HANDOUT. WE'RE ASKING PEOPLE YOU
14 JUST LOOK AT IT. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY HERE AGREED
15 ON. IT'S BEEN 25 YEARS. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING IN OUR
16 GOVERNMENT WE SHOULD LET SIT FOR 25 YEARS AND NOT REVISIT.
17 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

20

21 **CLAY FARELL:** MY NAME IS CLAY FARRELL FROM ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL
22 CENTER IN LYNWOOD. THIS MONTH WE CELEBRATE SIX YEARS REMOVED
23 FROM BANKRUPTCY. TODAY WE ARE SOLVENT AND STABLE AND UNION
24 STRONG. WE ARE A VITAL SAFETY NET TRAUMA CENTER TREATING MORE
25 THAN 60,000 PATIENTS IN OUR EMERGENCY ROOM EVERY YEAR.



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1 INCLUDING NEARLY 2,000 TRAUMA PATIENTS. TRAUMA HOSPITALS LIKE
2 ST. FRANCIS MUST BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF
3 CARE 24/7 FOR THE MOST SEVERE AND COMPLEX INJURIES, AND TRAUMA
4 SERVICES ARE VERY EXPENSIVE AND GROWING MORE SO. WE TAKE NO
5 ISSUE WITH THE FUNDING CHALLENGES OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, AND
6 WE SUPPORT MLK, BUT THE MOTION BEFORE THE BOARD COULD LEAD TO
7 DILUTING THE EXISTING POOL OF FUNDS FOR CRITICAL PRIVATE
8 TRAUMA CENTERS AND IN FACT ONLY REPRESENTS 18% OF THE OVERALL
9 MEASURE B FUNDS. WE URGE YOU TO VOTE NO AGAINST THE MOTION.
10 THANK YOU.

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

13
14 **SARAH HARRIS:** HELLO, I AM SARAH HARRIS, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF
15 THE BLACK BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, AND I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT
16 OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION TO ENSURE MEASURE B FUNDS ARE
17 PUT TO ITS HIGHEST AND BEST USE. MEASURE B WAS CREATED TO
18 STRENGTHEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE
19 SYSTEM, AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE FUNDS CONTINUE TO BE
20 ALLOCATED IN A WAY THAT IT REFLECTS CURRENT NEEDS AND
21 CHALLENGES. WITH RECENT FEDERAL CHANGES EXPECTED TO INCREASE
22 PRESSURE ON HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, PARTICULARLY
23 THOSE SERVING MEDI-CAL AND UNINSURED PATIENTS, IT IS CRITICAL
24 THAT MEASURE B DOLLARS ARE DISTRIBUTED FAIRLY AND
25 STRATEGICALLY. I SUPPORT CONDUCTING A STUDY OF COUNTIES'



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1 CURRENT MEASURE B FUNDING ALLOCATIONS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND ITS
2 IMPACT. I RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL'S MOTION.

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

6
7 **ALEX BASS:** HELLO, REPRESENTATIVES. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM
8 17, AND MY NAME IS ALEX BASS. I'M A PROUD TRANS RESIDENT OF
9 DISTRICT 3 AND THE POLICY ASSOCIATE FOR TRANS LATINA
10 COALITION. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE B. THIS MEASURE WAS
11 CREATED TO STRENGTHEN L.A. COUNTY'S TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY CARE
12 SYSTEMS, PARTICULARLY THOSE SERVING MEDI-CAL AND UNINSURED
13 PATIENTS. I WANT TO ALSO BRING AWARENESS TO THE FACT THAT THE
14 TRANSGENDER, GENDER-EXPANSIVE, AND INTERSEX PEOPLE ARE
15 DISPROPORTIONATELY REPRESENTED IN PUBLIC HEALTH INSURANCE
16 USERS OR ARE UNINSURED. MY HOPE IS THAT THE REPORT BACK AND
17 ANALYSIS OF THE CURRENT MEASURE BE FUNDING FORMULA TO ENSURE
18 THAT THESE CRITICAL DOLLARS WILL MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL OF OUR
19 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. I RESPECTFULLY URGE THE BOARD TO
20 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION AND THANK YOU.

21
22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
23 PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: JUNATITA
24 SMITH, MANUEL GARAY, DIDI. TSURNOKA, SOPHIA QUINONES, BETHANY
25 DUNCAN, LEAH PETRIE, JACKSON FAWCETT, CHAD VARGA, SONIA ADAM,



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1 CLAUDIA JEREZ, JESSICA FLORES, CAMERON HUBBARD, GAIL
2 FORNASIER, MARQUEZ ALMA, MARIA MORALES, YESENIA PUM, AND
3 SYLVIA CORONA. PLEASE CONTINUE.

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5 **FRANCISCO AGUIRRE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
6 FRANCISCO AGUIRRE, AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT MEASURE 17B. I WORK
7 AT LAX AND I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF UNITE HERE LOCAL 11. BECAUSE
8 OF OUR UNION'S PLAN WITH MLK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, I KNOW I HAVE
9 A PLACE TO GO WITH NO PREMIUMS, NO COPAYS, NO BILLS HANGING
10 OVER MY HEAD. I ACTUALLY USE MLK HOSPITAL A LOT DUE TO MY
11 UNCLE AND CHRONIC ASTHMA AND AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE. MY CONDITIONS
12 REQUIRE REGULAR CARE, MONITORING, AND SOMETIMES EMERGENCY
13 TREATMENT. HAVING MLK AS MY HOSPITAL HAS BEEN A LIFELINE FOR
14 ME. WITHOUT IT, I DON'T KNOW HOW I WOULD MANAGE MY HEALTH. I
15 HOPE I NEVER HAVE TO GO TO MLK HOSPITAL FOR AN EMERGENCY, BUT
16 IF I EVER DO, I WANT TO KNOW THERE WILL BE A HOSPITAL THERE
17 FOR ME. THIS SHOULDN'T BE A QUESTION. THIS SHOULD BE A
18 GUARANTEE. PLEASE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION. THANK
19 YOU.

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

22
23 **JULIA ZHU:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JULIA ZHU. I'M A PHARMACIST AT
24 MLK JUNIOR COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. I'M HERE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF
25 ITEM 17. OUR HOSPITAL ER IS PRIMARY CARE, EMERGENCY CARE,



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1 URGENT CARE FOR MANY OF THE UNDERSERVED POPULATION HERE. AND
2 IN AN EVENT WHERE EVERY MINUTE COUNTS IN A TRUE MEDICAL
3 EMERGENCY LIKE STROKE AND HEART ATTACK, IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT
4 INSTITUTIONS LIKE MLK, CATALINA ISLAND, AND PACIFICA HOSPITAL
5 STAY OPEN. SO I SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF MEASURE B
6 FUNDS SO TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE COMMENSURATE TO THE CURRENT-
7 DAY NEEDS OF OUR POPULATION. THANK YOU.

8

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

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11 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS IRA, AND I SUPPORT
12 MEASURE B AND LOOKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS MEASURE. WE
13 DESPERATELY NEED FUNDING TO KEEP UP WITH SAFE AND RELIABLE
14 HEALTHCARE THAT EVERYONE DESERVES AND CONTINUE SUPPORT WITH
15 HELPING OUR COMMUNITY. WHICH WE HELP WITH SO MANY OTHER
16 RESOURCES FOR OUR PATIENTS BESIDES JUST HEALTHCARE. I ASK THE
17 BOARD TO SUPPORT MEASURE B. THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **OLIVER ELIZALDE:** HELLO, MY NAME IS OLIVER. OKAY, I'M A
22 REGISTERED NURSE IN ICU. I'M HERE SHOWING MY SUPPORT FOR THIS
23 ITEM, AND I HOPE THAT YOU GUYS HAVE EMPATHY AND JUST THINK
24 ABOUT THE FACES OF THE FAMILIES AND THE PATIENTS THAT COME
25 THROUGH OUR DOORS EVERY DAY. AND THEY'RE IN DESPERATE NEED OF,



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1 OF OUR CARE. THIS COMMUNITY IS. AND IF THEY DON'T GET THAT
2 CARE, PATIENTS DIE AND THEY WILL SUFFER. AND THOSE ARE THE
3 FACTS. SO I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO SUPPORT ITEM 17 AND THAT LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY'S PATIENTS, THEY DESERVE A FUNDING SYSTEM
5 THAT'S TRANSPARENT AND IT'S EVIDENCE-BASED AND PREPARED FOR
6 THE CHALLENGES AHEAD. THANK YOU.

7

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

9

10 **EMMANUEL MARDRID VASQUEZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMMANUEL
11 MADRID VASQUEZ, AND I URGE THE BOARD TO PLEASE SUPPORT MS.
12 MITCHELL WITH THIS ITEM 17. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

13

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

15

16 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** BROCA SUPPORT REPRESENT PACIFICA HOSPITAL
17 OF THE VALLEY, AND WE ARE, AS IT WAS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, WE
18 ARE UNDERGOING A CHAPTER 11 CURRENTLY. WE ARE ACCEPTING THE
19 HOSPITAL TREAT OVER 84% MEDI-CAL. WE RECEIVE ABOUT 40% OR MORE
20 MENTAL HEALTH ADMITS INTO OUR ER ON ALL MEDI-CAL. WE ALSO ARE
21 RUNNING ABOUT 50% OR SO IN MENTAL HEALTH, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH,
22 MED-SURG TYPE PATIENTS FROM THE L.A. COUNTY. WE DO RECEIVE
23 MENTAL HEALTH REFERRALS FROM ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY, NOT JUST
24 WITHIN OUR DISTRICT. UNDERGOING CHAPTER 11. IT IS VERY SCARY
25 FOR OUR COMMUNITY WITH WHAT WE'RE UNDERGOING. AND I UNDERSTAND



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1 CLEARLY THAT IT'S NOT TO TAKE AWAY FROM TRAUMA, OTHER TRAUMA
2 HOSPITAL ERS. IT IS JUST TO LOOK AT THE HEALTH SYSTEM AND
3 APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR BARGER'S COMMENT ABOUT THE HEALTHCARE
4 SYSTEM.

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

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8 **LEAH PETRIE:** MY NAME IS LEAH PETRIE AND I LIVE IN LONG BEACH.
9 AND I SUPPORT ITEM 17. MLKCH IS NOT ONLY A HOSPITAL THAT
10 TREATS THE SICK, IT'S AN ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES
11 EDUCATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO THE COMMUNITY,
12 STAFF, AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHICH IS CRUCIAL TO THE ECONOMIC
13 STABILITY AND GROWTH OF THE UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY FOR WHICH IT
14 CARES FOR. I URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT ITEM 17. THANK YOU.

15

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

17

18 **MANUEL GARAY:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MANUEL GARAY, AND I WORK AT
19 UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD FOR UNDER LOCAL 11. OUR UNION IS
20 MADE UP OF IMMIGRANT WORKERS, PEOPLE OF COLOR. WE COME FROM
21 COMMUNITIES THAT HAS ALWAYS HAD TO FIGHT HARDER FOR FAIR
22 WAGES. FOR DIGNITY AND FOR HEALTHCARE THAT DOESN'T BANKRUPT
23 OUR FAMILIES AND PUT US IN THE STREETS. OUR FIGHT DOESN'T STOP
24 IN OUR WORKPLACE. IT EXTENDS TO COMMUNITIES THAT DEPEND ON IT.
25 MEASUREMENT B HAS NOT BEEN REEXAMINED FOR THE LAST 25 YEARS,



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1 WHICH IS SHOCKING. WE REALLY HOPE THAT MEASUREMENT B IS PASSED
2 TO ENSURE THAT THE MONEY GOES TO WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE AND DOES
3 NOT BE WASTED UNFAIRLY. THANK YOU.

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

6
7 **JESSICA FLORES:** MY NAME IS JESSICA FLORES. I'M A LICENSED
8 NURSE AND DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF CATALINA ISLAND HEALTH.
9 ANNUALLY, ABOUT 1,000,000 PEOPLE VISIT CATALINA ISLAND,
10 400,000 OF THOSE BEING FROM L.A. COUNTY. WHEN THEY PLAN A TRIP
11 TO THE ISLAND, THEY'RE NOT PLANNING ON EXPERIENCING ANY MAJOR
12 HEALTH PROBLEMS, BUT THEY CAN THAT WE ARE THERE TO TAKE CARE
13 OF THEM. WE ARE 26 MILES OFFSHORE AND WE ARE THE ONLY SAFETY
14 NET WHEN TRAUMA OCCURS. ALL VISITORS AND RESIDENTS RELY ON AND
15 TRUST OUR ER TO RESPOND, TREAT, AND STABILIZE ALL TRAUMAS
16 REGARDLESS OF US NOT BEING AN ACTUAL TRAUMA CENTER. WE
17 RECENTLY BENEFITED FROM TEMPORARY MEASURE B FUNDS WHICH HELPED
18 KEEP OUR DOORS OPEN. WE'RE ALSO IN MID-PROCESS ON A STATE-
19 MANDATED SEISMIC COMPLIANCE PLAN. A MULTI-YEAR FRAMEWORK LETS
20 US ENHANCE OUR TRAUMA-RELATED SERVICES AND THAT WILL HELP US
21 AS THE COUNTY'S ONLY CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL AND OTHERS THAT
22 ARE AT RISK OF CLOSURE LIKE MLK. WE DO ENCOURAGE YOU TO
23 SUPPORT THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW. THANK YOU.

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



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2 **JACKSON FAWCETT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
3 JACKSON FAWCETT. I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF UNITE HERE LOCAL 11,
4 AND I WORKED AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD. I'M HERE BECAUSE
5 HEALTHCARE JUSTICE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PART OF OUR UNION'S
6 FIGHT. MY CO-WORKERS AND I WORK HARD MAKING FOOD, HELPING
7 GUEST, CLEANING FACILITIES. AND WE BELIEVE THAT HARD WORK
8 SHOULD COME WITH ACCESS TO EFFECTIVE AND AFFORDABLE
9 HEALTHCARE. RIGHT NOW, THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION IS RIPPING
10 MEDI-CAL AWAY FROM OVER A MILLION PEOPLE IN THE COUNTRY.
11 THAT'S A MASSIVE BLOW TO SO MANY WORKING FAMILIES HERE IN LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY. THE INTEGRITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S
13 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER. I BELIEVE THIS
14 MOTION IS COMMON SENSE. IT'S A GOOD IDEA. STUDY HOW MEASURE B
15 DOLLARS ARE ALLOCATED SO THAT THEY GO WHERE THE NEED IS
16 GREATEST. PLEASE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION. THANK
17 YOU.

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

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21 **SONYA YOUNG AADAM:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SONYA YOUNG AADAM. I'M
22 THE CEO OF THE CALIFORNIA BLACK WOMEN'S HEALTH PROJECT, AND I
23 AM ACTUALLY QUITE CONFUSED, YOU KNOW WHY A HOSPITAL LIKE
24 MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WOULD BE RECEIVING AND
25 RELEGATED TO LEFTOVERS IN FUNDING. HOWEVER, I HAVE ALSO



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1 LISTENED TO ALL OF THE COMMENTS HERE THIS MORNING— OH, I'M
2 SORRY, NOW WE'RE IN THE AFTERNOON AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE
3 QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ASKED, ALL OF THE INQUIRIES THAT HAVE
4 BEEN MADE OF THE CEO'S OFFICE, BUT I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING
5 THAT WOULD JUSTIFY OPPOSITION TO WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
6 PROPOSING HERE TODAY. A STUDY OF LOOKING AT THE HIGHEST AND
7 BEST USE. THAT IS A RECOMMENDATION. THAT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
8 US TO DO THE WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
9 HAS ENCOURAGED THIS BOARD IN THE PAST TO CONSIDER RADICAL
10 DISRUPTION OF WHAT WE JUST COUNT ON AS OUR HISTORY. WE CAN'T -

11 -

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. OKAY. PLEASE BEGIN.

14
15 **SOPHIA QUINONES:** SOPHIA QUIÑONES. SEGREGATED, UNDERSERVED
16 COMMUNITIES HAVE ALREADY PAID THE PRICE. WE HAVE DIED, HAD OUR
17 LIMBS AMPUTATED, AND CHRONIC ILLNESSES HAVE LED TO MORE LIFE-
18 THREATENING ILLNESSES. THE PRIVATIZATION OF OUR HEALTHCARE
19 SYSTEM EXPOSES THE FINANCIAL DISPARITIES IN OUR COUNTY. THE
20 COMMUNITIES THAT SUFFER FROM ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM AND LIVE IN
21 FOOD DESERTS ARE TRYING TO SURVIVE IN A COUNTY THAT HAS NOT
22 DISTRIBUTED ITS HEALTHCARE DOLLARS EQUITABLY. HEALTHCARE IS A
23 HUMAN RIGHT. WHEN PRIVATE HOSPITALS HAVE A RESERVE AND PUBLIC
24 HOSPITALS HAVE NOTHING, FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY IS NEEDED NOW
25 MORE THAN EVERYTHING. WE SUPPORT ITEM 17 BECAUSE WE'RE TIRED



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1 OF DYING. THANK YOU.

2

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

4

5 **MARIA MORALES:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

6

7 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA MORALES AND I AM
8 HERE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO
9 GIVE THAT MONEY TO THE HOSPITALS BECAUSE THOSE THAT MONEY
10 NEEDS TO GO TO THE HOSPITALS THAT NEED IT. IF WE'RE INVESTING
11 IN HOSPITALS THAT ALREADY HAVE IT IN COMMUNITIES THAT ALREADY
12 HAVE THE MONEY AND THE RESOURCES, THEN WE'RE NOT GIVING TO
13 THOSE THAT NEED IT. THANK YOU.

14

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

16

17 **BETHANY DUNCAN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS BETHANY DUNCAN, AND I'M A
18 PROUD REGISTERED NURSE WITH MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY
19 HEALTHCARE. I'M VERY COMPELLED TO SPEAK TODAY IN ORDER TO
20 SUPPORT ITEM 17. I'VE BEEN IN HEALTHCARE FOR 25 YEARS. MY HOME
21 HAS BECOME MLK. BUT PRIOR TO WORKING IN STREET MEDICINE, I
22 WORKED IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WHERE I FOUND MYSELF
23 LOOKING FOR SUPPLIES, ALWAYS UNDERSTAFFED, NEVER HAD THE
24 THINGS THAT I REALLY NEED TO TAKE CARE OF PATIENTS BECAUSE WE
25 WERE ALWAYS TRYING TO SHARE AND USE SUPPLIES THAT WE CAN FIND,



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1 MOSTLY BECAUSE WE WERE NOT GIVEN THE PROPER FUNDING. SO I'M
2 HERE TODAY TO SPEAK NOT ONLY ON BEHALF OF MY ORGANIZATION BUT
3 ON BEHALF OF MY COMMUNITY BECAUSE MLK IS A BEACON OF LIGHT FOR
4 EVERYBODY THAT COMES THROUGH OUR DOORS. THANK YOU.

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

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8 **SYLVIA CORONA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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10 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SYLVIA CORONA AND I AM HERE.
11 I'M A COMMUNITY MEMBER FROM EAST L.A. AND I AM HERE TO THANK
12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND ALSO THE HOSPITALS HERE IN L.A. ARE
13 OVERPOPULATED. THEY ARE OVERPOPULATED, AND THEY NEED, WE NEED
14 TO HAVE THAT MONEY INVESTED BECAUSE I WENT TO LUTHER KING JUST
15 THE OTHER DAY, JUST TO LET YOU KNOW, AND I WENT TO THE
16 EMERGENCY ROOM, AND IT WAS JUST TOO MUCH. YOU CAN TELL THE
17 STAFF IS STRESSED OUT AS WELL, AND SO WE NEED THOSE FUNDS TO
18 BE IN THE BIG HOSPITALS WHERE THE COMMUNITY, OUR COMMUNITY,
19 ATTENDS THOSE HOSPITALS. SO WE SUPPORT MOTION B, AND WE'RE
20 HERE TO. SUPPORT IT. AND ALSO, LIKE THE FIRES THAT ARE IN EAST
21 L.A., A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE GOING IN TO GET CHECKED ON THAT.

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

24

25 **YESENIA PUM:** HI, MY NAME IS YESENIA PUM, RESIDENT OF



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1 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. AND FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE SOUTH-
2 CENTRAL LOS ANGELES REGIONAL CENTER. I'M HERE IN SOLIDARITY,
3 AND THANK YOU, HOLLY MITCHELL, TO SUBMITTING THIS ITEM ON THE
4 AGENDA. AS A MEDICAL RECIPIENT AND FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE
5 REGIONAL CENTER IN SOUTH CENTRAL, PEOPLE OF ALL AGES,
6 BACKGROUND, RELIGION, GENDER, RACE, SPECTRUM SHOULD HAVE
7 ACCESS TO EQUITABLE HEALTHCARE. TO DENY ACCESS IS TO DENY THEM
8 FUNDING FROM WHICH MAKES A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE OR DEATH.
9 THE SAME AS FOOD DESERTS EXIST, SO DOES MEDICAL HEALTH
10 DISPARITIES WITH NO ACCESS WITHIN GEOGRAPHICAL DISTANCE. I
11 ENCOURAGE EVERYONE WHO SPOKE UP TO STAY FOR ITEM 15 REGARDING
12 THE LINEAGE FIRE, AS WE ARE INTERCONNECTED AS UNDERSERVED
13 COMMUNITIES. PEOPLE OF UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES KNOW THIS TOO
14 OFTEN, THAT THE RISK OF LIFE AND DEATH IS BASED ON
15 ACCESSIBILITY. THANK YOU.

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

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19 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CLAUDIA JEREZ, DWC DPSS. WE
20 DON'T NEED A REVIEW ONLY. WE NEED AN AUDIT. OF THE B FORMULA
21 IN ORDER TO MAKE A DENT ON THE AMOUNT OF FRAUD,
22 DISORGANIZATION, MISPLACEMENT OF FUNDS, AND OF COURSE THE
23 AMOUNT OF POLICY AND LAWS AND PRACTICES ABUSES THAT GO ON IN
24 THESE HOSPITALS. NOT ALL OF THEM. I'VE BEEN TO SOME HOSPITALS
25 THAT I'VE BEEN ATTENDED REALLY WELL AND I'VE BEEN TAKEN CARE



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1 OF, BUT SOME OF THESE HOSPITALS AND AUDITS NEEDED, HIRING
2 PRACTICES, AND CREATE NEW STANDARDS FOR HOSPITAL STAFF. A NEW
3 APPROACH MUST BE CONSIDERED. NORMALLY, IT IS NECESSARY, AN
4 OUT-OF-THE-BOX THINKING AND APPROACH WHEN IT'S NECESSARY DUE
5 TO THE SEVERITY OF THIS FORMULA B PROBLEM. --

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

9

10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 17 IS BEFORE
11 YOU.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
14 MITCHELL, AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE
15 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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21 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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

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25 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** AYE.

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8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

9

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

11

12 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES. WE WILL NOW
13 MOVE ON TO ITEM 12, PROVIDING YOUTH WITH SWIM LESSONS AT
14 PROBATION FACILITY SWIMMING POOLS, WHICH WAS HELD BY
15 SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY
16 TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF
17 YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. THERE WERE NO
18 DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO.

21

22 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** REQUESTED FOR THIS ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOUR ITEM. SWIMMING POOLS. SUPERVISOR
25 HAHN, YOU'RE ON.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW,
3 DURING THIS HOT SUMMER SEASON, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT PROGRAMMING
4 FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR JUVENILE FACILITIES INCLUDES
5 ACCESS TO SWIMMING AT THE POOLS THAT ARE LOCATED ON ALMOST
6 EVERY SINGLE ONE OF OUR PROBATION'S JUVENILE FACILITY
7 CAMPUSES. IT'S GOOD TO KNOW THAT THE YOUTH HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
8 USE THE POOLS THIS SUMMER THANKS TO A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN OUR
9 PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND REC,
10 WHERE SOME OF PROBATION'S OWN STAFF WERE TRAINED TO BE
11 CERTIFIED AS LIFEGUARDS AND ARE NOW ABLE TO GUARD THE POOL
12 WHILE THE YOUTH SWIM. BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF OUR
13 YOUNG PEOPLE IN PROBATION'S CARE CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE
14 SWIMMING PROGRAM. AND THE REALITY IS MANY YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR
15 CAMPS AND HALLS DON'T KNOW HOW TO SWIM. AND LEARNING HOW TO
16 SWIM IS AN ESSENTIAL SKILL, NOT ONLY FOR ENJOYMENT, BUT ALSO
17 BECAUSE IT SAVES LIVES. DATA SHOWS THAT YOUNG PEOPLE OF COLOR
18 HAVE A DISPROPORTIONATE— DISPROPORTIONATELY LOW-LEVEL SWIMMING
19 ABILITY NATIONWIDE, WITH A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF HISPANIC AND
20 BLACK CHILDREN HAVING POOR SWIMMING ABILITIES COMPARED TO
21 THEIR WHITE PEERS. GIVEN THAT ROUGHLY 95% OF YOUTH IN
22 PROBATION FACILITIES ARE BLACK OR HISPANIC, HAVING SWIM
23 INSTRUCTIONS IN OUR CAMPS AND HALLS WILL ENSURE THAT OUR YOUTH
24 ARE ABLE TO SAFELY ENJOY THE POOL AND LEARN WATER SAFETY
25 SKILLS. SO THIS MOTION DIRECTS PROBATION TO WORK WITH PARKS TO



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1 ESTABLISH CLEAR PROGRAM PROTOCOLS SECURE NECESSARY FUNDING AND
2 CREATE A CONSISTENT INSTRUCTIONAL SCHEDULE THAT BEGINS WITH
3 THIS SWIM SEASON. AND THROUGH THIS PARTNERSHIP, YOUTH WILL BE
4 ABLE TO RECEIVE STRUCTURED, CONSISTENT SWIM LESSONS THROUGH
5 PARKS LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM, WHICH WILL PREPARE THEM FOR LIFE
6 AFTER THEIR RELEASE AND REDUCE LONG-TERM DROWNING RISK. THE
7 MOTION ALSO ASKS FOR A DEPARTMENT'S REPORT BACK ON HOW MANY
8 YOUTH PARTICIPATED. AS WELL AS LESSONS LEARNED TO IMPROVE THE
9 PROGRAM MOVING FORWARD. COLLEAGUES, I HOPE YOU'LL JOIN ME IN
10 SUPPORTING THIS MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN
11 JUVENILE HALLS AND CAMPS CAN LEARN A CRITICAL LIFE SKILL AND
12 ARE ENRICHED BY PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS OF
13 SWIMMING. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BEING THE CO-
14 AUTHOR OF THIS MOTION.

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16 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO JOIN YOU
17 AS CO-AUTHOR AND FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. IT IS
18 CRITICAL THAT WHILE OUR YOUTH ARE IN OUR CARE, THEY SHOULD BE
19 ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN MEANINGFUL PROGRAMMING WHICH SUPPORTS
20 THEIR GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. THIS MOTION ENSURES THAT YOUTH
21 HAVE TRUE ACCESS TO THE POOLS IN OUR FACILITIES BY EXPANDING
22 ACCESS TO ALL YOUTH, INCLUDING THOSE WHO CANNOT SWIM. I
23 APPRECIATE THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
24 AND RECREATION AND PROBATION TO PROVIDE YOUTH WITH SUCH
25 VALUABLE LIFE THERE WERE MANY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO COULDN'T



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1 ACTUALLY USE THE POOLS BECAUSE THEY HADN'T YET HAD THE
2 OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN HOW TO SWIM. SO FOR FACILITIES WITH
3 HEATED POOLS, I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN SEEING A CONTINUITY OF
4 THESE SERVICES YEAR-ROUND AS WEATHER PERMITS. I HOPE THAT
5 PROBATION HAS A PLAN TO HAVE THOSE POOLS IN USE BEYOND THE
6 SUMMER. I ALSO LOOK TOWARDS THE FUTURE, AND MY UNDERSTANDING
7 IS THAT PROBATION STAFF ARE CURRENTLY SERVING AS LIFEGUARDS.
8 THAT IS CORRECT. WHILE NOT REQUIRED BY THIS MOTION, I THINK
9 THAT SEEMS UNSUSTAINABLE, PARTICULARLY AT A TIME WHEN
10 PROBATION DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT STAFF ACROSS ITS FULL
11 SPECTRUM OF SERVICES. SO I'M GLAD THEY'VE STEPPED IN, BUT I
12 HOPE THIS MOTION ALLOWS THEM TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK
13 AT THAT PROGRAMMING PIECE. AND AS THE DEPARTMENTS CONTINUE TO
14 COLLABORATE, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A LONGER-
15 TERM AND COST-EFFICIENT MODEL FOR FUTURE SWIM SEASONS. WHICH
16 ENSURE LIFEGUARD SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY LIFEGUARDS, NOT LAW
17 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I TOO WANT TO COMMEND YOU,
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THIS
21 FORWARD. YOU'VE ALREADY STATED THE FACTS. MANY PEOPLE OF LOW
22 INCOME, PEOPLE OF COLOR THAT LIVE AND ACTUALLY POPULATE,
23 UNFORTUNATELY, SOME OF OUR INSTITUTIONS HAVE NOT LEARNED HOW
24 TO SWIM BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO POOLS IN THEIR
25 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND OFTENTIMES IT'S JUST NOT SOMETHING THAT IS



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1 EASILY AVAILABLE TO THEM. SO I ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORT THIS
2 AND HOPE THAT PARKS AND RECREATION WILL COME UP WITH A GOOD
3 IDEA SO THAT WE CAN EVENTUALLY PROVIDE JOBS TO THE YOUNG
4 PEOPLE THERE SO THAT THEY CAN BECOME LIFEGUARDS, BOTH HE AND
5 SHE, AND, UH, ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN. I THINK THOSE ARE GOOD
6 OPPORTUNITIES. BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH, COMMEND BOTH OF YOU. EO,
7 CAN WE GO TO ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME
10 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CLAUDIA JEREZ. MADAM CHAIR,
11 THERE ARE NO REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THIS
12 ITEM. WE WILL HEAR FROM IN-PERSON SPEAKER.

13

14 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. I BELIEVE I WAS A
15 SCHOOLTEACHER, FIRST GRADE, AND I DO BELIEVE THAT THAT IS AN
16 EXCELLENT IDEA. I THINK THE SWIMMING LESSONS WOULD TEACH THEM
17 HOW TO SKILL UP AND GET THEMSELVES READY FOR THE FUTURE,
18 ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE LIKE A 12-YEAR-OLD THAT HAS NO KNOWLEDGE
19 ABOUT SWIMMING. SO I THINK THAT IT'S A GREAT IDEA. I THINK
20 THAT THERE SHOULD BE GROUPS OF SWIMMERS. YOU SHOULD GET LIKE
21 THE GROUPS ORGANIZED AND YOU KNOW MAYBE ASK THEM SOME
22 QUESTIONS. WHAT IS IT THAT THEY WANT TO DO WITH SWIMMING? YOU
23 KNOW WHAT IDEA DO THEY HAVE ABOUT SWIMMING? ANYTHING LIKE THAT
24 TO MAKE THEM THINK. SO I DO SUPPORT THE IDEA. I WENT TO WHEN I
25 WAS ABOUT FOURTEEN, I WENT TO ONE OF THE PARKS. SWIMMING



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1 POOLS, AND I WAS ABOUT TO DROWN BECAUSE I JUST THREW MYSELF IN
2 THERE, AND I WAS LIKE, OH MY GOD, IT'S ABOUT 5 FEET, I'M GOING
3 TO DROWN. SO I TOOK MYSELF TO SWIMMING LESSONS, AND I LEARNED.
4 SO, --

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE A COUPLE OF
7 REMOTE CALLERS. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, PLEASE
8 BEGIN.

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10 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YES, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE ONE MENTION. I'M
11 SICK AND TIRED OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND OTHERS WITH THIS RACE-
12 BAITING CRAP WHEN 50% OF THE POPULATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
13 IS LATINO. WE DON'T WANT, I DON'T EVEN WANT TO DISCUSS IT.
14 IT'S SO DISGUSTING TO BRING THIS CRAP UP, THIS RACE-BAITING
15 STUFF. TIME TO STOP IT AND MOVE ON. THANK YOU.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. XENIA MORENO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
18 PLEASE BEGIN.

19

20 **XENIA MORENO:** HI, I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT AS MUCH AS I
21 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE RACIAL INEQUITY
22 AMONGST CHILDREN HAVING ACCESS TO POOLS. CHILDREN SHOULD BE
23 TAUGHT TO SWIM IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND NOT IN THESE L.A.
24 COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITIES THAT ARE RAMPANT WITH
25 SEXUAL AND PHYSICAL ABUSE, BECAUSE THE MORE THAT WE POSITION



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1 THESE HUBS OF VIOLENCE AS SERVICE PROVIDERS, THE MORE THAT WE
2 NORMALIZE THE COMPLETELY UNNATURAL DETAINMENT OF CHILDREN. I
3 HAVE DONE PROGRAMMING FOR MULTIPLE ORGANIZATIONS IN MULTIPLE
4 JUVENILE DETENTION CENTERS. I'VE DONE HEALING ARTS
5 PROGRAMMING. I'VE DONE MENTORSHIP. I'VE DONE ALL THE
6 PROGRAMMING. AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE YOUTH THAT I SERVED
7 WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER OFF RECEIVING THOSE TYPES OF PROGRAMS
8 IN THEIR COMMUNITY INSTEAD OF IN THESE JUVENILE HALLS. AND SO
9 EVERY TIME THEY PRIORITIZE IN-DETENTION PROGRAMMING, WE
10 DEPRIORITIZE THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING CHILDREN IN THEIR OWN
11 HOMES AND COMMUNITIES.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR
14 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SORRY.

17
18 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M SORRY I WAS
19 OUT OF THE ROOM. I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY AFTER PUBLIC
20 COMMENT TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS. WANT TO SUPPORT THE MOTION AND
21 THANK SUPERVISORS HAHN AND HORVATH FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD.
22 NOTHING COULD BE MORE TIRING AND TAXING FOR ME, OTHER THAN TO
23 HAVE TO LIVE IN A CURRENT SYSTEM OF THAT'S RACIALLY
24 INEQUITABLE. AND TO LIVE AS A RESULT OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF
25 DECADES OF SYSTEMIC RACISM. SO I COULDN'T AGREE WITH HIM MORE.



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1 I, TOO, AM SICK AND TIRED OF IT. IN THE MEANTIME, THE REALITY
2 IS, BECAUSE OF RACIST GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES ACROSS THIS
3 COUNTRY AND THIS COUNTY, MULTIPLE GENERATIONS OF BLACK AND
4 BROWN PEOPLE HAVE NEVER LEARNED HOW TO SWIM. AND IF WE
5 CONTINUE TO BUILD FACILITIES WITH POOLS, WE HAVE A
6 RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THOSE
7 FACILITIES WHETHER THEY SHOULD BE THERE OR NOT, THE FACT THAT
8 THEY ARE THERE, SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCESS THAT RESOURCE SAFELY.
9 IT IS INTERESTING TO WALK INTO THESE FACILITIES THAT WE'VE
10 BUILT WITH THESE BEAUTIFUL SWIMMING POOLS AND THEY ARE EMPTY.
11 AND THEY ARE EMPTY BECAUSE FAR TOO MANY OF THE KIDS THERE
12 CAN'T SWIM. AND I WOULD ARGUE PERHAPS A VAST MAJORITY OF THE
13 STAFF WHO WORK THERE TOO. SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU, COMMEND YOU
14 ON SUGGESTING THE SWIM LESSONS. I WOULD FURTHER ARGUE THAT,
15 YOU KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT HAS SHARED THAT THEY ARE STRAPPED IN
16 TERMS OF RESOURCES, BUT THAT THEY'RE ALSO OPEN TO SUPPORT AND
17 THAT THEY WOULD BE OPEN TO US CONTRIBUTING. AS I HAVE
18 SUPPORTED BLACK SURFERS' ALLIANCE, I AM TAKING KIDS EVERY DAY
19 THIS SUMMER FROM CARVER PARK TO THE OCEAN. I HAVE PERSONALLY,
20 OUT OF SPA GRANT MONEY, FUNDED SWIM LESSONS BECAUSE OF THIS
21 HISTORIC INEQUITY. WOULD BE WILLING TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE,
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND HOPE OTHERS WOULD JOIN US IF THE
23 DEPARTMENT SAYS THEY CAN'T FIND THE RESOURCES TO MAKE SURE
24 THAT IF WE WANT YOUNG PEOPLE IN THOSE FACILITIES TO USE THOSE
25 POOLS WE BUILT, THEN WE SHOULD MAKE SURE THEY COULD DO SO



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1 SAFELY. SO I'D BE WILLING TO PUT IN RESOURCES TO FUND IT IF
2 RESOURCES AREN'T IDENTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU,
3 MADAM CHAIR.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO --

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7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** CAN I JUST ADD ON TO THAT? TO YOUR POINT,
8 KNOWING HOW DIFFICULT IT'S BEEN TO GET PROGRAMS IN OUR CAMPS
9 AND IN OUR HALLS, I WILL GUARANTEE YOU THERE IS AN
10 ORGANIZATION OUT THERE THAT WOULD GLADLY GIVE THEIR TIME TO DO
11 THAT. AND SO, I MEAN, I AGREE WITH YOU, BUT RESOURCES ARE NOT
12 OUR PROBLEM. IT'S THE WILL TO PUT PROGRAMMING INTO PLAY. IT'S
13 CHANGED AT BARRY NIDORF. WE'VE SEEN, I'VE SEEN A CHANGE IN
14 TERMS OF BEING MORE RECEPTIVE TO PROGRAMS. I WILL GUARANTEE
15 YOU THAT. I MEAN, I THINK OF SCOTT BUTNICK FOR ONE. I
16 GUARANTEE YOU THERE IS AN ORGANIZATION OUT THERE THAT WOULD
17 GLADLY VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO HELP TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO SWIM.
18 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US,
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

22

23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M SORRY.



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2 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WE'RE DONE. MADAM CHAIR, ITEM
3 12 IS BEFORE YOU.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PARDON ME?

6

7 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** ITEM 12 IS BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,
10 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

14

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

16

17 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

18

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

20

21 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

22

23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

24

25 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.



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

3

4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

5

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

7

8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. NEXT ITEM.

11

12 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM
13 15, RESPONDING TO THE LINEAGE FIRE IMPACT ON LOCAL SMALL
14 BUSINESS IN UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES, WHICH WAS HELD BY
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
16 REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND
17 FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. KELLY
18 LOBIANCO, DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, AMY BODEK,
19 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, DR. NICOLE QUICK, CHIEF SCIENCE
20 OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ARE 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:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU ALSO TO MY
25 CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN ON THIS MOTION. AND I WANT TO THANK



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1 OUR PANEL FOR BEING HERE THIS AFTERNOON. APPRECIATE YOU ALL
2 AND MY COLLEAGUES. I INTRODUCED THIS MOTION AS A RESPONSE TO
3 THE ONGOING IMPACT OF THE SMALL BUSINESSES FROM THE RECENT
4 ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTERS IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND BOYLE HEIGHTS
5 THAT HAVE HIT THEM AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES. OVER THE PAST
6 FEW MONTHS, AS YOU MAY KNOW, THESE BUSINESSES HAVE ENDURED ONE
7 ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENT AFTER ANOTHER. FIRST THERE WAS AN OIL
8 SPILL, THEN THE LINEAGE FIRE. THESE DISASTERS, AS YOU KNOW,
9 HAVE CAUSED A LACK OF FOOT TRAFFIC FOR IMPACTED BUSINESSES.
10 THE NAUSEATING ODOR IN BOTH CIRCUMSTANCES HAS LED TO HEADACHES
11 AND MORE PEOPLE STAYING AWAY FROM THE AREA WHEN CONSIDERING
12 DINING, SHOPPING, OR JUST SUPPORTING THEIR LOCAL BUSINESSES,
13 INCLUDING THE IMPACT ON THEIR EMPLOYEES. I'VE SPOKEN TO SOME
14 OF THESE BUSINESSES IN THE AREA MYSELF AND HEARD FIRSTHAND
15 ABOUT THE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS THAT THEY HAVE LOST. AND AT MY
16 DIRECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY HAS
17 CANVASSED THE IMPACTED COMMUNITY SEVERAL TIMES TO GET A BETTER
18 SENSE OF THE NEED AND TO OFFER SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE TO
19 THOSE SMALL ENTREPRENEURS AND MEDIUM-SIZED ENTREPRENEURS.
20 UNFORTUNATELY, THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES THAT HAVE BEEN AT THE
21 CENTER OF EACH EMERGENCY HAVE NOT OFFERED THESE BUSINESSES
22 ADEQUATE SUPPORT, IN MY OPINION. THEY HAVE NOT WORKED WITH
23 THEM AS SWIFTLY AS NEEDED TO ENSURE THESE BUSINESSES ARE
24 COMPENSATED FOR THEIR LOSSES. IN THE CASE OF THE OIL SPILL, WE
25 HEARD FROM OUR DEO THAT ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF BUSINESSES HAVE



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1 BEEN APPROVED BY THE CLAIMS PROCESS. AND THERE IS CURRENTLY NO
2 CLAIM PROCESS SET UP BY LINEAGE LOGISTICS FOR BUSINESSES THAT
3 CONTINUE TO SUFFER FROM THE FIRE AND THE PROLONGED CLEANUP
4 PROCESS. THIS TO ME IS VERY CONCERNING, AND IT'S A BLOW TO OUR
5 LOCAL ECONOMY AGAIN. AND THIS IS WHY I'M USING MY OWN
6 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO ASSIST INITIALLY DEO IN LAUNCHING A
7 SMALL BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND FOR IMPACTED BUSINESSES THAT
8 HAVE YET TO RECEIVE ANY FINANCIAL SUPPORT. I ADDITIONALLY AM
9 DIRECTING DEO TO EXPLORE USING A PORTION OF THE FUNDS WITHIN
10 THE EXISTING COUNTYWIDE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND. AND THIS
11 FUND, AS YOU KNOW, WAS DEVELOPED AS A RESULT OF A MOTION THAT
12 I AUTHORED BACK WITH THIS BOARD'S APPROVAL IN MARCH. AND
13 ALTHOUGH CURRENTLY FUNDED BY CEO, IT DOES NOT HAVE SUSTAINABLE
14 SOURCES OF FUNDS. YET THE FUND HAS PROVEN TO BE A NECESSITY
15 DUE TO THE STRING OF EMERGENCIES THAT OUR COUNTY HAS FACED.
16 AND TO EXPLORE AVENUES FOR THIS FUND, I AM DIRECTING THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO EXPLORE A MEANS TO ENSURE
18 THAT ANY BUSINESSES IDENTIFIED AS HIGH-RISK TO ENVIRONMENTAL
19 AND PUBLIC HEALTH THAT FILE FOR A PERMIT NEAR SENSITIVE
20 LOCATIONS SUCH AS SCHOOLS OR HOMES PAY INTO THIS COUNTYWIDE
21 FUND, BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND. AND ADDITIONALLY, THIS
22 INCIDENT HAS SHOWN US THAT OUR CURRENT ENFORCEMENT TOOLS NEED
23 TO BE MADE MUCH STRONGER TO COMPEL RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO ACT
24 QUICKLY FOLLOWING AN ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER. THAT'S WHY THE
25 MOTION DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO EXPLORE



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1 INCREASED CITATION FEES ON PARTIES THAT CAUSE ENVIRONMENTAL
2 AND PUBLIC HEALTH DISASTERS. IT'S PRETTY CLEAR TO ME WHEN WE
3 FIRST HEARD DPH FINALLY DID MOVE FORWARD AND CITE LINEAGE, IT
4 WAS FOR \$500, WHICH IS A DROP IN THE BUCKET FOR THEM. AND
5 PREVIOUSLY IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS, THEY'VE RAISED THAT NOW TO
6 2,000. BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S ADEQUATE ENOUGH. AND I THINK
7 WE NEED TO EVALUATE THAT AND COME BACK WITH BETTER
8 RECOMMENDATIONS. SO I WANT TO SAY THAT AS THE DEPARTMENT
9 ASSESSES THE FEASIBILITY OF ENSURING THESE COMPANIES THAT POSE
10 A HIGHER RISK OF HAZARDS ALREADY HAVE MITIGATION, WE WANT TO
11 MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE MITIGATION PLANS IN PLACE BEFORE
12 THESE KINDS OF DISASTERS HAPPEN SO THAT THEY ARE READY IF
13 ANYTHING HAPPENS THAT SIMILARLY COULD OCCUR IN ANY PART OF OUR
14 DISTRICTS. THIS WOULD BE REVIEWED BY PUBLIC HEALTH SO THAT
15 THEY CAN QUICKLY RESPOND TO AN INCIDENT INSTEAD OF BEING
16 REACTIVE. AND IT'S ONLY FAIR TO ENSURE THAT COMPANIES THAT
17 PLACE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH AT RISK ARE HELD
18 ACCOUNTABLE AND CONTRIBUTE TO FUNDING THESE RECOVERY TOOLS.
19 THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK KELLY LOBIANCO, DIRECTOR OF
20 OUR DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, AND HER TEAM, AMY
21 BODEK, DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AND DR. QUICK FOR
22 REPRESENTING US AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR BEING
23 HERE TODAY. IT'S NOT LOST ON ME THAT WE HAVE THREE POWERFUL
24 WOMEN SITTING HERE AT THIS PANEL THAT TAKE THIS VERY
25 SERIOUSLY. AND I APPLAUD YOU FOR THAT. I WANT TO BEGIN MY



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1 QUESTIONING BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO MY CO-AUTHOR TO ASK YOU,
2 KELLY LOBIANCO, IF I COULD START WITH A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. I
3 UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR TEAM HAS BEEN CANVASSING EACH WEEK IN THE
4 HARDEST-HIT AREAS DUE TO THE LINEAGE FIRE, AND YOU CONTINUE TO
5 ASSIST BUSINESSES THAT WERE AFFECTED ALSO BY THE OIL SPILL
6 THAT OCCURRED IN MAY. CAN YOU PLEASE SHARE WITH US IN THE
7 AUDIENCE SOME OF THE FINDINGS THAT YOU HAVE FOUND THROUGH YOUR
8 CANVASSING?

9

10 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. KELLY LOBIANCO,
11 DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. OUR TEAM HAS BEEN OUT. WE'VE
12 BEEN NOT ONLY AT THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS SINCE THE FIRE
13 BROKE OUT AND IN THE RECOVERY PHASE, BUT WE HAVE GONE OUT
14 CANVASSING 11 TIMES. WE'RE ACTUALLY IN THE PROCESS OF
15 COORDINATING WITH PUBLIC HEALTH TOO TO ALIGN OUR CANVASSING
16 EFFORTS. WE'LL BE OUT TOMORROW AND FRIDAY. A COUPLE OF THE, I
17 GUESS THE TOP LINE IS THAT SMALL BUSINESSES ARE CONTINUING TO
18 FACE REVENUE LOSS. YOU KNOW, IF YOU'VE BEEN OUT IN THE AREA,
19 YOU KNOW THAT THERE'S STILL A PERSISTENT SMELL. I'M SORRY,
20 WITH THE HEAT WAVE, IT EXACERBATES THINGS. FOLKS HAVE, YOU
21 KNOW, INITIALLY HAD PROPERTY DAMAGE, TEMPORARY CLOSURES,
22 WORKFORCE IMPACTS, AND THEY CONTINUE TO HAVE TRAFFIC IMPACTS.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT ARE THE GREATEST CONCERNS THAT
25 THEY HAVE IMMEDIATELY? IT SHOULD, NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED.



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2 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YEAH, I MEAN, IT DOES VARY BUSINESS TO
3 BUSINESS DEPENDING ON THE KIND OF BUSINESS, PARTICULARLY IF
4 YOU'RE CUSTOMER-FACING, WHICH MANY OF THEM ARE. BUT THE MOST
5 PERSISTENT FEEDBACK THAT WE GET IS THAT FOLKS HAVE HAD CAPITAL
6 LOSS AND THAT THEY NEED THAT SUPPORT. SO WE, WHERE WE CAN,
7 WE'RE CONNECTING FOLKS TO THE GRANTS THAT WERE OUT WITH
8 INCLUSIVE ACTION AND NEW ECONOMICS AND SOME OF THE OTHER
9 ORGANIZATIONS FUNDED BY LINEAGE AND SUPPORTED BY CCF, MAKING
10 SURE FOLKS HAVE ACCESS TO OTHER CAPITAL OPPORTUNITIES. WE'RE
11 ALSO REFERRING FOLKS TO NO-COST LEGAL AID, TO OUR RAPID
12 RESPONSE RESOURCES FOR DISLOCATED WORKERS, SO MAKING SURE
13 FOLKS HAVE NO-COST HIRING AND TRAINING SERVICES AS WELL AS
14 CONNECTION TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE. BUT OVERALL, FOLKS ARE
15 FEELING THE CONTINUED IMPACT OF LOST REVENUE. I THINK WE HAVE
16 A FORMAL SURVEY THAT WE'RE DOING AS PART OF OUR CANVASSING, SO
17 IT'S, IT'S NOT EVERYONE THAT WE'VE TALKED TO, BUT WE HAVE HAD
18 88 FOLKS FILL OUT THE FULL SURVEY SO FAR, AND 71 OF THOSE SAID
19 THAT THEY HAVE PERSISTENT REVENUE LOSS.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I KNOW IN THE PAST WHEN WE'VE
22 FACED DISASTERS, AND EVEN DURING COVID AND OTHER MAJOR
23 INCIDENTS, AND THE FIRES THAT HAPPENED THAT WE WERE ALSO ABLE
24 TO HELP PROVIDE SOME ASSISTANCE. AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN
25 SET UP A BETTER CLAIM PROCESS AT SOME POINT SO PEOPLE WILL



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1 KNOW THAT THERE'S A CENTRALIZED PLACE WHERE THEY CAN SIT DOWN,
2 GET INFORMATION, AND THEN PUT FORWARD THEIR RECEIPTS AND, AND
3 MAKE THEIR CLAIM.

4

5 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** WE ACTUALLY ARE ALREADY WORKING WITH
6 BUSINESSES TO ORGANIZE THEIR DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION FOR
7 WHEN THAT TIME COMES. SO SINCE THE FIRST DAY OF CANVASSING.
8 WE'VE BEEN HELPING FOLKS WITH THAT PROCESS IN ADVANCE OF A
9 CLAIMS PROCESS AS WELL.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT I WANTED TO KNOW TOO IS I HEARD
12 THAT THE COMMUNITY-BASED GROUPS THAT RECEIVE THIS FUNDING
13 THROUGH CCF AND THEN TO COMMUNITY-BASED GROUPS THAT MONEY HAS
14 ALREADY BEEN EXHAUSTED. IS THAT CORRECT? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE
15 HEARING?

16

17 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** I CAN'T SPEAK TO ALL OF THE FUNDS. I KNOW
18 THERE WAS \$2,000,000 FROM LINEAGE THAT WENT TO CCF AND MAYBE
19 TWO DOZEN ORGANIZATIONS. BUT THOSE THAT ARE PARTICULARLY
20 SUPPORTING WORKERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES, WE WERE IN CLOSE
21 TOUCH WITH, MAKING SURE THAT WHEN WE WERE CANVASSING AND AT
22 THE RESOURCE CENTERS THAT WE WERE MAKING DIRECT REFERRALS. SO
23 MY UNDERSTANDING, AT LEAST FROM INCLUSIVE ACTION AND NEW
24 ECONOMICS, WHO WERE GIVING OUT SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS, THAT
25 THOSE FUNDS ARE EXHAUSTED. AND I KNOW THAT ONE OF THE GRANTS



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1 SUPPORTED OVER 150 SMALL BUSINESSES, INCLUDING SOLE
2 PROPRIETORS AND SIDEWALK VENDORS, AND ANOTHER ONE SUPPORTED
3 ABOUT 60, YOU KNOW, AND THAT WAS BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE
4 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND I THINK THERE'S STILL A LOT OF WORK
5 TO DO TO MAKE SURE THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE REPRESENTED IN
6 THOSE GRANTS.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND CAN YOU DESCRIBE WHAT THE AMOUNTS
9 OF THE GRANTS WERE THAT WERE DISBURSED?

10

11 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** I BELIEVE THEY WERE AROUND \$3,000 PER
12 BUSINESS, AND THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT PER
13 GRANT PROGRAM AND BUSINESS TYPE, BUT THAT'S ABOUT THE LEVEL.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I HOPE YOU CAN GET SOME OF THAT
16 INFORMATION BACK TO US. RIGHT NOW WE'RE, YOU KNOW, ASKING
17 QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW IT WAS DISPERSED, WHERE SO THAT WE DON'T
18 DUPLICATE EFFORTS WITH OUR NEW, WITH THIS MOTION, HOPEFULLY IT
19 WILL PASS AND LOOKING AT OTHER RESOURCES THAT WE CAN PROVIDE.
20 AND THAT ALSO CREATES A PROBLEM FOR OUR THERE'S STILL A LOT OF
21 DISTRUST WHEN PEOPLE GO TO FOLKS' HOMES TO ASK THEM WHAT THEIR
22 NEEDS ARE, AND THEN THERE ARE OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT
23 EVEN AFFILIATED WITH THIS BUT WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE AND PREY
24 ON OUR COMMUNITY. AND THAT IS EQUALLY TROUBLING. SO THERE'S A
25 LOT OF WORK THAT HAS TO BE DONE, AND I STILL HOPE THAT WE HAVE



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1 CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH YOU AND
2 WOULD ASK THAT IN SOME WAYS THAT THEY COME OUT WITH YOU TO
3 PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION, OR AT BEST HAVE INFORMATION MADE
4 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC IN SOME FASHION.

5
6 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES, WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH CONSUMER AND
7 BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND MAKING SURE WE'RE PASSING ALONG
8 INFORMATION ABOUT SCAMS AND MAKING SURE THAT FOLKS ARE AWARE
9 OF, YOU KNOW, THE KINDS OF QUESTIONS THAT THEY MIGHT BE
10 RECEIVING AND KNOW WHERE TO GET SUPPORT FROM THE COUNTY. AND
11 SO WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THEM AND WILL CONTINUE TO CROSS
12 WORK ACROSS DEPARTMENTS ON OUR CANVASSING EFFORTS SO FOLKS GET
13 ALL THE INFORMATION AT ONCE. AND I WILL SHARE WE DO HAVE
14 INFORMATION FROM SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT RECEIVED FUNDS
15 FROM LINEAGE, PARTICULARLY AROUND SMALL BUSINESSES. SO THAT
16 WILL DEFINITELY BE PART OF OUR ANALYSIS IN OUR ELIGIBILITY AND
17 PRIORITIZATION FOR THE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND, MAKING SURE
18 WE GET AS MANY FOLKS RELIEF AS POSSIBLE.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND OF COURSE THERE ARE A LOT OF
21 PEOPLE THAT LOST THEIR JOBS, INCLUDING LINEAGE, BUT ALSO
22 BECAUSE OF THE LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO
23 PERFORM, THEY HAD TO LET THEIR EMPLOYEES GO. SO ARE WE WORKING
24 AROUND THAT? ARE WE TARGETING THAT?



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1 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES. SO WE'VE BEEN HOLDING DAILY RAPID
2 RESPONSE EVENTS, VIRTUAL WITH THE CITY OF L.A. AND IN-PERSON
3 ON THURSDAYS, SO FOLKS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH AND SO FOLKS CAN
4 CONNECT IF THEIR JOB HAS BEEN IMPACTED. WE'VE BEEN WORKING
5 DIRECTLY WITH LINEAGE AS WELL. THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RETAIN
6 MOST OF THEIR EMPLOYEES AT THIS POINT IN TIME, BUT WE'RE
7 CONNECTING THEM WITH ALL OF THE AVAILABLE RESOURCES THAT WE
8 HAVE. AND WE'RE CONTINUING TO ENGAGE AT THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE
9 CENTER AND ON OUR CANVASSING ABOUT WORKFORCE SERVICES. WE HAVE
10 OUR EAST L.A. AMERICA'S JOB CENTER OF CALIFORNIA NEARBY AS
11 WELL, AND WE ARE ALSO PLANNING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE DOLLARS
12 FROM EDD TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO IMPACTED WORKERS. SO THAT'S
13 \$1,000,000 WITH THE CITY OF L.A. AND \$1,000,000 WITH THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY THAT WILL BE DIRECTLY
15 INVESTED IN THIS COMMUNITY.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND HAVE WE SET UP ANY WEBSITE YET? I
18 MEAN, LAST TIME WE SPOKE ABOUT THAT, ABOUT GETTING THAT
19 TOGETHER.

20
21 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** YES, WE'RE WORKING CENTRALLY WITH THE COUNTY
22 TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RECOVERY L.A. SITE IS THE HOUSING IS
23 HOUSING THE LINKS FOR ALL OF THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS. SO
24 WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK, WITH CEO, COUNTY COMMS, AND OEM TO
25 MAKE SURE THAT THAT HAS THE LATEST INFORMATION.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND IT'S UPDATED. THANK YOU. THANK
3 YOU VERY MUCH, KELLY. FOR AMY, AMY, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.
4 AMY BODEK, REGIONAL PLANNING. I WANTED TO ASK YOU IF YOU COULD
5 SHARE A BIT ABOUT OUR GREEN ZONES AND ANY GUARDRAILS THAT THE
6 COUNTY MAY ALREADY HAVE IN PLACE TO LIMIT INDUSTRIAL
7 FACILITIES NEAR HOMES.

8

9 **AMY BODEK:** THANK YOU, CHAIR SOLIS. AMY BODEK, DIRECTOR OF
10 REGIONAL PLANNING. AND IN 2002, THE BOARD DID ADOPT THE GREEN
11 ZONES' ORDINANCE, AND IT WAS MEANT TO DEAL WITH THE
12 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN LONG RAMPANT IN
13 OUR ZONING ACROSS UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. AND THAT WAS ALSO AT
14 THE SAME TIME THAT THE CALENVIRO SCREENING WAS STARTING TO
15 COME OUT, AND IT BECAME VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO ADDRESS
16 THOSE. WE WERE ALSO TRYING TO ADDRESS THE PRE-EXISTING
17 INDUSTRIAL USES. SO THE GREEN ZONES ACTUALLY DEFINED SENSITIVE
18 USES IN OUR MUNICIPAL CODE. WE HAD ORIGINALLY THOUGHT WE ALL
19 KNEW WHAT SENSITIVE USES WERE, BUT WE ACTUALLY DEFINED THEM TO
20 INCLUDE RESIDENTIAL AND HERE'S WHAT'S DIFFERENT: PLAYGROUNDS
21 AND DAYCARE CENTERS, NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS, PLACES OF
22 WORSHIP. SO ALL OF THOSE GO INTO OUR DEFINITION, OUR LOCAL
23 DEFINITION OF WHAT A SENSITIVE USE.

24

25 **AMY BODEK:** IS. AND, WE DEFINED ANY INDUSTRIAL USE THAT WAS



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1 WITHIN 500 FEET OF A SENSITIVE USE. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR YOU
2 KNOW, THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CUP AFTER SEVEN YEARS. SO WE HAVE
3 EXISTING RESIDENTS THAT MAY BE NEXT TO AN EXISTING INDUSTRIAL
4 USE, AND THEY WERE BOTH PERMITTED. THAT INDUSTRIAL USE NOW HAS
5 TO COME IN WITHIN SEVEN YEARS TO GET A CUP. WE HAVE NEW
6 REQUIREMENTS FOR THOSE CUPS SPECIFICALLY TO ADDRESS ADDITIONAL
7 SCREENING, POTENTIAL NOISE IMPACTS, POTENTIAL LANDSCAPING
8 IMPACTS AS WELL. FOR WAREHOUSES IN PARTICULAR, WE DO REQUIRE
9 THAT THEY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT BUFFER BETWEEN THEM AND
10 RESIDENTIAL USES IN PARTICULAR.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO TO THIS DAY, CAN YOU DESCRIBE HOW
13 MANY INDUSTRIES OR PLACE OF BUSINESS HAVE BEEN IMPACTED
14 ALREADY? I MEAN, THIS IS RELATIVELY NEW, BUT --

15
16 **AMY BODEK:** IT IS RELATIVELY NEW BUT AS BUSINESSES HAVE COME IN
17 FOR THEIR REVISED CUPS, IF THEY HAD ONE, WE ARE ALSO REQUIRING
18 THEM TO MEET THE GREEN ZONE STANDARDS. AND WE'VE SEEN THAT A
19 LOT IN BOTH YOUR DISTRICT AND IN THE 2ND DISTRICT IN
20 PARTICULAR. I CAN THINK OF A PALLET YARD THAT WE WORKED VERY
21 CLOSELY WITH AND THOSE CAN BE FLAMMABLE. I'VE ALSO WORKED WITH
22 A CONCRETE BLOCK MANUFACTURER IN THE 2ND DISTRICT TO ADD
23 ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPING BUFFERS, AND THEN THEY SWITCHED FROM
24 DIESEL FORKLIFTS TO ELECTRIC FORKLIFTS, AND THEY ACTUALLY SET
25 BACK PARKING AREAS FOR THEIR FORKLIFTS SO THAT THEY WERE NOT



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1 SO CLOSE TO THEIR BOUNDARIES. I CAN THINK OF THOSE TWO
2 EXAMPLES OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD THAT I WAS PERSONALLY INVOLVED
3 WITH, BUT WE DO HAVE A NUMBER OF THOSE GREEN ZONES
4 APPLICATIONS ALREADY IN PROCESS OR ALREADY HAVE GONE THROUGH
5 THE PROCESS OF BEING UPDATED.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND, AND I WOULD I WOULD LOVE TO SEE
8 A MAP OF WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE, GEOGRAPHY, AND ALSO
9 UNDERSTANDING BETTER WHAT CAN WE DO IN A PREVENTIVE MODE SO
10 THAT WE'RE ALREADY TELLING FOLKS THAT THEY, YOU KNOW, THEIR
11 PERMITS ARE GOING TO BE COMING UP AND THEY'RE LOCATED IN THESE
12 EJ --

13

14 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREEN ZONES SO THEY ARE PREPARING.

17

18 **AMY BODEK:** WE ACTUALLY ARE DOING THAT JUST NOW BECAUSE THE
19 DEADLINE IS COMING UP IN 2027. WE ARE STARTING OUR INITIAL
20 LETTERS TO ALL OF BUSINESSES, AND THEN WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP
21 WITH FIELD VISITS TO THOSE BUSINESSES, REMINDING THEM OF THEIR
22 FUTURE UPCOMING OBLIGATIONS. SO WE ARE STARTING THAT PROCESS
23 ALREADY THROUGH OUR LAND USE REGULATIONS DIVISION.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK AS WE MOVE FORWARD, IT'S



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1 GOING TO REALLY BE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO HAVE AS MUCH RECENT
2 DATA AS POSSIBLE.

3

4 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND THAT WE ARE DOING A GOOD JOB OF
7 COMMUNICATING TO THE COMMUNITY WHAT A GREEN ZONE IS.

8

9 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I COULD BET YOU THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE
12 IN MY DISTRICT IN EAST LOS ANGELES THAT MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT
13 THIS TOOL WAS DEVELOPED AND HOW THEY CAN CALL IN OR HOW DO
14 THEY REGISTER CONCERNS? AND IS THAT, YOU KNOW, IS THAT
15 SOMETHING THAT YOUR OFFICE WOULD HANDLE?

16

17 **AMY BODEK:** ABSOLUTELY. ABSOLUTELY. SO WE CAN CERTAINLY WORK
18 WITH YOUR OFFICE IS TO HAVE TARGETED OUTREACH, BOTH YOU AND
19 DISTRICT 2, WHO HAVE THE MAJORITY OF THE GREEN ZONES, TO
20 ACTUALLY MAKE THE ROUNDS TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHER
21 NGOS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE FULLY AWARE OF THE GREEN ZONES
22 ORDINANCE.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I KNOW I WOULD APPRECIATE SEEING A
25 MAP AND



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2 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE. MAYBE
5 YOU COULD HAVE, IF THAT'S AVAILABLE ON YOUR WEBSITE,

6

7 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE COULD, WE COULD DRIVE PEOPLE TO
10 COME AND LOOK AT THAT BUT ALSO HAVE THAT AS PART OF THE
11 MEETINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING OUT IN THE DISTRICT, AS I'M ASKING
12 FOR OUR DEPARTMENTS TO GO OUT AND HAVE TOWN HALLS ALSO TO TALK
13 ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING, NOT JUST WITH THE OIL SPILL, BUT ALSO
14 WITH LINEAGE. I MEAN, THIS IS VERY CRITICAL

15

16 **AMY BODEK:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** INFORMATION THAT NEEDS TO BE PROVIDED
19 TO THE PUBLIC AND IN THEIR LANGUAGE, OBVIOUSLY.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. SO I WOULD CERTAINLY WANT TO SEE
22 YOU DO THAT. THAT, AMY. THANK YOU.

23

24 **AMY BODEK:** UNDERSTOOD.

25



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND FOR DR. QUICK, THANK
2 YOU, PUBLIC HEALTH, FOR BEING HERE. I WONDER IF YOU COULD
3 SHARE WITH US ABOUT THE CONTINUING CONCERNS THAT YOU'VE HEARD
4 FROM RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES IN THE AREA DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO
5 THE FACILITY TO LINEAGE.

6
7 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** THANK YOU, CHAIR. NICHOLE QUICK, CHIEF
8 SCIENCE OFFICER AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. WE DO
9 CONTINUE TO HEAR FROM BOTH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES REGARDING
10 IMPACTS RELATED TO LINEAGE. DO WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO
11 HIGHLIGHT THAT PUBLIC HEALTH DID CONDUCT A DOOR-TO-DOOR SURVEY
12 OF OVER 600 HOMES AND HEARD FROM ABOUT 250 OF THOSE. RESIDENTS
13 KIND OF CONFIRMED WHAT WE ALREADY KNEW, WHICH WAS SIGNIFICANT
14 IMPACT ON AN ONGOING BASIS RELATED TO ODORS AND VECTORS,
15 LARGELY FLIES. HEARING SIMILAR THINGS FROM THE BUSINESSES,
16 REALLY THE IMPACTS OF ODORS AND FLIES, WHICH OBVIOUSLY HAS AN
17 EFFECT ON, ON CUSTOMERS COMING IN. SOME OF THE OTHER
18 COMPONENTS THAT WE HEARD, PARTICULARLY FROM RESIDENTS, WERE
19 JUST CONCERNS ONGOING REGARDING THE LENGTH THAT THIS EVENT IS
20 GOING TO TAKE PLACE. AND PUBLIC HEALTH, ONCE AGAIN, FROM OUR
21 STANDPOINT, THE SOONER WE GET THAT SPOILED FOOD OUT OF THERE,
22 THE BETTER.

23
24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I SAW IN A, I GUESS, RECENT NEWS
25 ARTICLE THAT LINEAGE IS SAYING THAT THEY ARE ABOUT 70%



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1 COMPLETE WITH THE DEBRIS REMOVAL. WHAT DO YOU KNOW? DO YOU OR
2 ANY ONE OF YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT THUS FAR?

3
4 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** I CAN START OUT ON THAT. I DO THINK THAT
5 LINEAGE HAS MADE GOOD PROGRESS ON THE FREEZER THAT WAS, OF
6 COURSE, THE ONE THAT WAS BURNED. SO THAT HAS COMPLETELY BEEN
7 CLEANED UP. I DO THINK FROM A STANDPOINT FROM PUBLIC HEALTH,
8 THE SOONER THAT THAT FREEZER TOO IS EMPTIED OUT, THE BETTER.
9 AND I THINK THERE ARE STILL DELAYS IN GETTING THAT SPOILED
10 FOOD OUT, BUT THAT NEEDS TO GET OUT OF THERE AND TO A LANDFILL
11 AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. SO I DO THINK THAT THE, THE PERCENTAGE
12 OF CLEANUP THAT'S BEEN STATED DOES INCLUDE THE FIRE DEBRIS AND
13 OTHER FROM THAT FREEZER THAT OF COURSE WAS PROBABLY LESS
14 IMPACTFUL FROM AN ODOR STANDPOINT. I DON'T KNOW IF, KEVIN.

15
16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE. I THINK WE'RE GOING TO
17 CONTINUE TO MONITOR THAT, OBVIOUSLY. I KNOW OUR OFFICES, EVEN
18 PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL AS OEM, CALRECYCLE, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
19 HEALTH WERE ABLE TO EXPEDITE THE PERMITS SO THAT THE DEBRIS
20 COULD ENTER INTO LANDFILLS AND BE PROVIDED MORE HOURS OF
21 OPENING FOR THOSE LANDFILLS SO THAT THAT COULD BE TRANSPORTED
22 OUT. I ACTUALLY GOT TO VIEW HOW THEY CONDUCT THAT PART OF THE
23 DEBRIS COLLECTION AND WRAPPING AND ALL OF THAT. AND IT WAS
24 VERY TIME-CONSUMING. AND I WAS TOLD THAT THERE ARE TWO SHIFTS,
25 SO THEY WERE WORKING 24 HOURS. HOWEVER, IT'S NOT FAST ENOUGH.



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1 IT'S NOT FAST ENOUGH FOR OUR RESIDENTS THAT ARE IMPACTED IN
2 THE BUSINESSES. AND WITH THIS HEAT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S ALL
3 KINDS OF STORIES OUT THERE THAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT, YOU
4 KNOW, THIS IS CONTINUING TO EXACERBATE DISEASE AND THE FACT
5 THAT THE FLIES MAY BE CARRYING DISEASE. CAN YOU EXPLAIN SOME
6 OF THAT TO US, PLEASE?

7

8 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** YEAH, I'D BE HAPPY TO. AND YOU HIGHLIGHTED
9 A CRITICAL POINT FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE. THE CONTROL
10 OF VECTORS, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING AS THE FLIES, WHICH WE
11 KNOW ARE HAVING A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT. AND WILL CONTINUE TO
12 HAVE AN IMPACT AS LONG AS THAT SPOILED FOOD IS IN THERE. THERE
13 IS A VECTOR CONTROL PLAN THAT LINEAGE HAS BEEN REQUIRED TO PUT
14 INTO PLACE. PUBLIC HEALTH, OUR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIVISION,
15 CONTINUES TO BE IN AN I'D CALL AN INTERACTIVE PROCESS RIGHT
16 NOW RELATED TO THAT VECTOR CONTROL PLAN. PART OF WHY WE'RE
17 CITING LINEAGE ON A DAILY BASIS IS RELATED TO THE UNSANITARY
18 CONDITIONS IN THE WAREHOUSE, AND THAT IS HAVING AN. IMPACT ON
19 FLIES, WHICH ARE THEN IMPACTING THE COMMUNITY. FLIES
20 THEMSELVES ARE NOT A VECTOR, AS IN NOT BITING YOU, BUT WHAT
21 THEY CAN DO IS THEY CAN GO ONTO SOMETHING THAT'S COVERED IN
22 BACTERIA AND THEN THEY CAN TRANSFER THAT BACTERIA EITHER ONTO
23 A FOOD SOURCE OR DIRECTLY ONTO A PERSON. SO IT'S REALLY
24 CRITICAL THAT LINEAGE CONTROL TO A BETTER EXTENT THOSE FLIES
25 RIGHT NOW, AND THAT IS A VERY LARGE AREA OF FOCUS FOR US.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** HAVE WE HEARD OF ANY REPORTED CASES
3 AT ALL?

4

5 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** WE HAVE NOT HEARD OF REPORTED CASES RELATED
6 TO FLIES. WE DO HAVE DATA THAT WE'VE BEEN TRACKING RELATED TO
7 UTILIZATION OF HEALTHCARE, AND WE DID SEE SOME CHANGES IN THAT
8 AND SOME MENTIONS RELATED TO THE WAREHOUSE, PARTICULARLY WHILE
9 THE ACTIVE FIRE IS BURNING. BUT WE KNOW FROM MANY, MANY, I
10 WOULD SAY EONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH WORK THAT FLIES ARE A VECTOR.
11 SO REGARDLESS, THOSE NEED TO BE CONTROLLED, AND LINEAGE NEEDS
12 TO DO A BETTER JOB OF THAT VECTOR CONTROL.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND SO WE'RE CONTINUING TO CITE THEM
15 THEN?

16

17 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** CORRECT. YEP, WE HAVE ENVIRONMENTAL
18 INSPECTORS GOING OUT DAILY, AND WE CONTINUE TO CITE LINEAGE
19 DAILY RELATED TO THIS.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. AND I WANTED TO ASK TOO,
22 BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME RESPONSIBILITIES THAT CLEARLY FALL ON
23 YOU, BUT OTHERS THAT DON'T. AND HAVING GONE THROUGH SIMILAR
24 ISSUES WITH EXIDE, OFTENTIMES IT'S GOOD TO CALL IN OUR
25 CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT'S DTSC TO COME IN. AND IS THERE



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SUPERVISORS

1 ANYTHING HAPPENING THERE WITH CALEPA AND THAT DEPARTMENT?

2

3 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** YEAH, THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION. AND AS YOU
4 KNOW VERY WELL, PUBLIC HEALTH DOES HAVE SORT OF WIDE AUTHORITY
5 TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH. BUT IN COMPLICATED ENVIRONMENTAL
6 INCIDENTS LIKE THIS, IT TAKES ALL OF THOSE AGENCIES WORKING
7 TOGETHER TO SORT OF COVID ALL OF ALL OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE
8 TO GET COMPLIANCE. CALEPA IS INVOLVED IN THE RESPONSE. ONE
9 THING PUBLIC HEALTH HAS DONE, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID AFTER
10 THE, THE EATON AND PALISADES FIRES, WE HAVE CONVENED A WORK
11 GROUP THAT INCLUDES OUR REGULATORY PARTNERS, OUR ACADEMIC
12 PARTNERS AND COUNTY PARTNERS TO SORT OF DISCUSS THINGS THAT
13 ARE COMING UP. THERE'S SOME SMALLER WORK GROUPS THAT ARE MORE
14 TECHNICAL IN NATURE, PARTICULARLY SURROUNDING THE AIR QUALITY
15 MANAGEMENT. I'D SAY ON THE LARGER STATE PARTNERSHIPS, WHEN WE
16 HAVE REACHED OUT FOR ASSISTANCE, PARTICULARLY RELATED TO
17 REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN, OUR STATE
18 PARTNERS HAVE BEEN WILLING TO HELP WITH THAT. BUT THERE MAY BE
19 A ROLE GOING FORWARD RELATED TO VECTORS WHERE THAT PARTNERSHIP
20 WOULD BE BENEFICIAL.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
23 WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU, THE PANELISTS, FOR BEING HERE AND
24 HELPING US BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT IS HAPPENING ON THE GROUND
25 AND HOPEFULLY MAKING SURE THAT WE CAN SECURE THE NEEDED TOOLS



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1 THAT ARE GOING TO BE NECESSARY FOR THIS FACILITY TO COME INTO
2 COMPLIANCE. AND I KNOW THAT THE CITY IS ALSO WORKING ON
3 REVIEWING THAT AS WELL AND THEIR PERMIT TO REBUILD, WHICH I
4 KNOW, I HOPE THIS BOARD, I KNOW LAST TIME WE MET HERE WHEN WE
5 HEARD THE NEWS THAT THEY WERE SEEKING A PERMIT, I THINK ALL OF
6 US, THE MAJORITY, WE ALL SAID NO. NO. AND I DO BELIEVE THAT I
7 KNOW THE CITY IS TAKING SOME ACTION ON THAT, BUT WE MAY ALSO
8 BE LOOKING INTO OTHER MECHANISMS AND TOOLS AS WELL. I DON'T
9 KNOW IF OUR CEO WANTS TO SAY ANYTHING.

10

11 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, AS
12 THIS STRETCHES ON, I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT EVERYONE'S
13 KEEPING THEIR EYE ON IS HOW LONG IS THIS GOING TO TAKE. RIGHT
14 NOW, I KNOW THE MAYOR HAS SET AUGUST 13TH DEADLINE. THE PUBLIC
15 REPORT OUT IS THAT THEY'RE ON TRACK FOR THAT. I THINK THERE'S
16 SOME QUESTIONS WHETHER THEY'LL MAKE IT. AS THIS CONTINUES, I
17 THINK WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO EVALUATE OUR OPTIONS. TO COMPEL
18 COMPLIANCE AND WORK WITH THE CITY TO DO THAT. I THINK THE
19 OTHER THING THAT I WOULD FLAG IS THAT WE HAD ASKED, AND I HAD
20 SENT A LETTER TO LINEAGE ASKING THEM TO CONSIDER PROVIDING
21 REMEDIATION AND ABATEMENT SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO WERE IN THE
22 IMMEDIATE VICINITY WHO SUFFERED SMOKE DAMAGE. I THINK THEY
23 HAVEN'T GOT THERE YET. I THINK THAT IS SOMETHING THEY SHOULD
24 STILL CONSIDER. I THINK THEY SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT WHETHER
25 THEY DO IT VOLUNTARILY OR NOT, THERE'S GOING TO BE LAWSUITS



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1 THAT FOLLOW ASKING FOR THAT BENEFIT, THAT RELIEF. THANK YOU.
2 FOR THOSE HOMEOWNERS THAT ASK THAT PUT IN CLAIMS FOR THEIR
3 INSURANCE, INSURERS ARE GOING TO TURN RIGHT AROUND AS WELL AND
4 SEEK THAT FROM LINEAGE. SO I THINK IT'S SOMETHING WE CAN STILL
5 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM ON. RIGHT.

6
7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT, CEO. AND I KNOW
8 THAT THERE ARE OTHER CITIES NOW THAT ARE ALSO FOLLOWING THEIR
9 OWN LAWSUITS— MONTEBELLO, COMMERCE, AND OTHER COMMUNITIES,
10 EVEN MONTEREY PARK. SO WE'VE JUST BEGUN TO SEE THIS NOW
11 HAPPENING AND MANY FAMILIES ARE IMPACTED. AND SOME PEOPLE DID
12 HAVE TO PAY OUT ON THEIR OWN TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES IN THE
13 NEARBY COMMUNITIES LIKE MONTEBELLO, MONTEREY PARK, AND
14 COMMERCE. AND THEY'RE NOW GOING TO SEEK SOME KIND OF REMEDY.
15 SO I THINK IT'S THERE, AND WE NEED TO REALLY BE VIGILANT,
16 FORCING HOPEFULLY THE HAND OF THIS CORPORATION TO DO THE RIGHT
17 THING. AND IF NOT, THEN WE'LL SEE WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES ARE. I
18 WOULD IMAGINE. BUT FOR THAT, I KNOW TODAY ALSO ON THE CONSENT
19 AGENDA, WE'RE ALSO, SEEKING TO PASS A MOTION TO SEND A 5-
20 SIGNATURE LETTER TO AQMD, WHICH OUR BOARD COLLEAGUE SUPERVISOR
21 MITCHELL SITS ON, TO SUPPORT GREATER ENFORCEMENT AND
22 ACCOUNTABILITY. AND I THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF
23 COMMUNITY INPUT, FOLKS THAT ARE GOING TO BE COMING OUT THERE.
24 YES. AND NOW THAT THEY KNOW THE PROCESS TOO, HOW TO FILE A
25 COMPLAINT, I MEAN, THERE'S BEEN THOUSANDS OF COMPLAINTS NOW. I



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1 THINK THE TRIGGER WAS AT THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING WHERE WAYNE
2 NASTRI, WHO'S THE HEAD OF AQMD, TOLD THE PUBLIC THAT THE ONLY
3 WAY THEY COULD GET INVOLVED IS IF THERE WERE MORE THAN SIX
4 COMPLAINTS MADE. AND BOY, DID THAT TRIGGER PEOPLE. SO IT
5 SPEAKS TO TRANSPARENCY. AND LETTING PEOPLE KNOW WHAT THE
6 PROCESS IS, ALWAYS. SO AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK YOU, THE PANEL,
7 FOR BEING HERE AND FOR HELPING US MOVE THE INFORMATION AND
8 ENFORCEMENT TOOLS THAT WE HAVE, LETTING PEOPLE KNOW THAT THE
9 COUNTY IS ENGAGED AND WE CONTINUE TO BE ENGAGED, AND WE'LL BE
10 HERE UNTIL WE SEE, AS FAR AS WE CAN SEE THIS THROUGH. SO WITH
11 THAT, THANK YOU. I WILL NOW TURN TO MY CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR
12 HAHN.

13
14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR CONTINUING
15 BRING THIS TRAGEDY AND DISASTER TO OUR RADAR REGULARLY. THERE
16 ARE THOSE WHO LIVE THERE AND WHO WORK THERE WHO BEAR THIS
17 BURDEN EVERY SINGLE HOUR OF EVERY SINGLE DAY, AND I APPRECIATE
18 YOU BRINGING IT TO US AT LEAST ON TUESDAYS SO WE CAN CONTINUE
19 TO UPLIFT THESE COMMUNITIES AND TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT WE CAN
20 AND SHOULD BE DOING TO RELIEVE THEIR BURDEN. THIS FIRE HAS HAD
21 CONSEQUENCES FAR BEYOND JUST THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
22 RESIDENTS AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN EAST L.A. HAVE DEALT WITH
23 WEEKS OF ASH, OF ODORS, OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, AND
24 ECONOMIC DISRUPTION. I MEAN, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THOSE FLIES,
25 RIGHT? IT'S LIKE A WHOLE DIFFERENT SPECIES OF FLIES THAT HAVE



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1 COME AS A RESULT OF THIS TRAGEDY. THEY'RE BIGGER. THEY LOOK
2 MEANER. THEY GOT BIGGER EYES. THEY'RE JUST AWFUL. AND THE
3 RATS. AND IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. AND I'M WITH YOU. WHEN I HEARD
4 THAT THEY WANTED TO REBUILD, I GAVE A BIG THUMBS DOWN. I SAID,
5 WE DON'T WANT THEM TO BE BACK IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE DON'T EVER
6 WANT TO HAVE A SITUATION WHERE THAT CAN HAPPEN AGAIN. AND OUR
7 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE
8 IMPACTED BUSINESSES. THEY'VE CONFIRMED WHAT MANY BUSINESS
9 OWNERS HAVE BEEN TELLING US. THEY LOST REVENUE. IT INTERRUPTED
10 THEIR OPERATIONS, AND THEY HAVE UNCERTAINTY, WHICH IS
11 THREATENING WHETHER OR NOT THEY CAN EVEN STAY OPEN. SO WITH
12 THIS MOTION, WE'RE ENSURING THAT ASSISTANCE CAN REACH OUR
13 BUSINESSES QUICKLY. JUST AS IMPORTANTLY, OUR DEPARTMENT OF
14 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WILL RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH
15 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO OPERATIONALIZE THE COUNTYWIDE
16 BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND SO THAT WE HAVE A SUSTAINABLE MODEL
17 FOR FUTURE EMERGENCIES, NOT JUST THIS ONE. I LIKE THAT PART OF
18 THIS, THAT WE'LL BE READY THE NEXT TIME TO ENSURE RESPONSIBLY
19 PARTIES ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
20 MANAGEMENT AND COUNTY COUNSEL WILL PURSUE REIMBURSEMENT WHEN
21 POSSIBLE BECAUSE THE LONG-TERM FINANCIAL BURDEN SHOULD NOT
22 FALL ON THE TAXPAYERS. AND BECAUSE INDUSTRIAL WAREHOUSE
23 MANUFACTURING AND RECYCLING FACILITIES HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO
24 CREATE GREATER NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT, WE'RE
25 ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK TO DETERMINE WHETHER THESE TYPES OF



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1 BUSINESSSES SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO A DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE
2 THAT SUPPORTS FUTURE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION ASSISTANCE. WHEN
3 DISASTERS STRIKE, THEY'RE NOT JUST DISRUPTED, THEY'RE LEFT
4 VULNERABLE, AND THEY SHOULD NOT HAVE TO NAVIGATE THESE
5 CHALLENGES ALONE. SO IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE COMMUNITIES THAT
6 SHOULDER THE IMPACTS OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY TO KNOW THAT WE'RE
7 PLANNING AHEAD AND WE'RE NOT SIMPLY REACTING AFTER THE FACT.
8 THIS EFFORT, I BELIEVE, IS ABOUT HELPING BUSINESSES RECOVER
9 TODAY WHILE MAKING SURE WE'RE BETTER PREPARED FOR TOMORROW.
10 OUR GOAL IS TO COMBINE IMMEDIATE ECONOMIC RELIEF WITH LONG-
11 TERM PLANNING, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND AS YOU SAID, PREVENTION,
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SO FOR THOSE REASONS, OF COURSE, I'M
13 ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORTING OUR MOTION.

14
15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN.
16 SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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18 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED
19 TO FOLLOW UP ON A COUPLE OF COMMENTS THAT I HEARD. I KNOW THAT
20 YOU'VE BEEN LEADING THIS EFFORT RELENTLESSLY, AND I THANK YOU
21 FOR THAT. I HEARD THAT THERE'S FOUNDATION FUNDING GOING TO
22 HELP. I KNOW ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE LEARNED IN THE FIRES IN
23 2025 IS THERE WAS A LOT OF PHILANTHROPIC FUNDING THAT WAS
24 ANNOUNCED TO BE MADE AVAILABLE, AND WE HEARD FROM A LOT OF
25 COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO ACCESS IT. SO HOW



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1 ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT PHILANTHROPIC AND FOUNDATIONAL FUNDING
2 IS ACTUALLY GETTING TO PEOPLE WHO NEED IT?

3
4 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** THANK YOU. WE ALSO ARE CONCERNED WITH THAT. WE
5 THINK WHEN WE'RE RAISING MONEY FOR ECONOMIC RELIEF, IT NEEDS
6 TO BE GOING INTO THE COMMUNITY HANDS. SO THE BUSINESS
7 INTERRUPTION FUND THAT WE'RE STANDING UP HERE, A VERY NOMINAL
8 AMOUNT OF DOLLARS WILL GO TO THE ADMINISTRATION JUST TO STAND
9 UP THE FUND, BUT THE MAJORITY, 90% PLUS, WAS GOING DIRECTLY AS
10 CASH INTO THE HANDS OF IMPACTED BUSINESSES. AND THAT'S THE
11 CONVERSATION THAT WE'RE HAVING HERE AT THE COUNTY AND, AND
12 WITH LINEAGE, IN ASKING THEM TO CONTRIBUTE, AND ALSO ANY OTHER
13 ORGANIZATION WHO'D LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE. AND FOR DOLLARS THAT
14 WERE GOING TO THE COMMUNITY THAT WEREN'T COMING THROUGH THE
15 DEPARTMENT OR COUNTY HANDS, WE WERE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THOSE
16 ORGANIZATIONS TO MAKE SURE WE REALLY UNDERSTOOD HOW TO GET
17 FOLKS REFERRED AND SIGNED UP. AND SO WE DID OUR BEST TO MAKE
18 SURE, WHEN THOSE GRANTS WERE OUT, THAT WHEN WE WERE CANVASSING
19 AND WE WERE AT THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTERS AND THE
20 DEADLINES AND ALL THAT.

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22 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I ALSO HEARD THE CHAIR REFERENCE THE
23 ISSUE OF PEOPLE NEEDING TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES BECAUSE OF THE
24 CONDITIONS THAT THEY'RE FACING. I KNOW WE BROUGHT THIS UP ON
25 MULTIPLE OCCASIONS, THAT THERE'S BEEN MULTIPLE CALLS FOR



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1 HAVING A MANDATORY EVACUATION. I KNOW THAT WHEN WE LIVED
2 THROUGH THE FIRES IN 2025, THERE WERE EVACUATIONS THAT WERE
3 MANDATED. STRUCK IN A NEIGHBORHOOD. AND YET IN THIS CASE, WE
4 HAVE A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT IS CLEARLY IMPACTED AND RESIDENTS WHO
5 ARE CLEARLY SUFFERING AND HAVE NOT YET BEEN EVACUATED. SO WHAT
6 ARE WE DOING TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY AREN'T LIVING IN UNSAFE
7 CONDITIONS? I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE CERTAIN THRESHOLDS THAT YOU
8 HAVE TO MEET, BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT WE COULD GET VOUCHERS
9 AVAILABLE. YOU KNOW, IN THE CASE OF THE WEHO WATER MAIN BREAK,
10 WE HAD VOUCHERS AVAILABLE THE SAME DAY. SO WHAT ARE WE DOING
11 TO GET PEOPLE INTO SAFE CONDITIONS?

12
13 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** YEAH, THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION. LET ME START
14 OUT BY TALKING ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTIVE THAT WE
15 ISSUED TO LINEAGE, AND THAT PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTIVE DID DIRECT
16 LINEAGE TO PROVIDE A PLAN TO US ON COMMUNITY MITIGATION UP
17 UNTIL INCLUDING RELOCATION. WE ARE WAITING, I SHOULD SAY, WE
18 ARE BACK AND FORTH WITH LINEAGE ON THE EXTENT OF THAT AND ARE
19 USING A LOT OF THE INFORMATION THAT OUR TEAMS ARE GATHERING IN
20 THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS COMPLAINTS GATHERED BY THE AQMD TO
21 EVALUATE THE SORT OF BOUNDARIES THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR THAT.
22 SO WE HAVE PUT IN OUR DIRECTIVE TO LINEAGE THAT BASED ON
23 CONDITIONS THAT THEY'RE LIKELY GOING TO NEED TO ADJUST THE
24 BOUNDARIES WHERE THEY'RE OFFERING THE SUPPORT. AND THEIR
25 SUPPORT IS NOT JUST RELOCATION, IT'S OTHER MEASURES TOO, WHICH



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1 WE THINK ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. SOME FOLKS DO NOT WANT TO
2 LEAVE THEIR HOME. WHAT THEY ACTUALLY WANT ARE MORE AIR
3 CONDITIONING UNITS AND MORE AIR PURIFIERS SO THAT THEY CAN
4 STAY IN HOME. SO FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE, THAT'S
5 PART OF WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO GAIN COMPLIANCE ON FROM LINEAGE
6 IS THIS THIS COMMUNITY MITIGATION. AND HEARING FROM COMMUNITY
7 MEMBERS, I'M GOING TO OFFER THIS, WE'D LIKE TO HEAR FROM FOLKS
8 WHO ARE NOT ABLE TO ACCESS THOSE RESOURCES AND WHAT THOSE SORT
9 OF BARRIERS ARE. SO THAT WE ADEQUATELY CAN GET LINEAGE TO
10 COMPLY WITH THIS, BECAUSE WE ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT THAT ONGOING
11 ODOR IMPACT IS A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND FOLKS SHOULD BE ABLE TO
12 GET MITIGATION FROM THAT.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** RIGHT. I THINK THAT YOU KNOW, WE
15 LIVED THROUGH THAT TOO, WHERE RESIDENTS DIDN'T NECESSARILY
16 WANT TO LEAVE IN CERTAIN AREAS. SO I UNDERSTAND THAT THAT'S
17 ALWAYS A CHOICE, BUT ACTUALLY HAVING A CHOICE IS IMPORTANT.
18 AND I'VE HEARD MANY SPEAKERS COME HERE AND THEY FELT THEY
19 HAVEN'T YET HAD ACCESS TO THAT CHOICE. AND SO I'M GLAD TO HEAR
20 THAT WE ARE DOING MORE TO MAKE THAT CHOICE AVAILABLE. AND
21 FINALLY, YOU TALKED ABOUT THE FLIES. WE AS A BOARD ROUTINELY
22 APPROVE AND REAPPROVE DECLARED EMERGENCIES, ONE OF WHICH IS
23 THE FRUIT FLY EMERGENCY THAT'S BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE 1990. SO I
24 DON'T KNOW HOW WE HAVE A FRUIT FLY EMERGENCY IN EFFECT FROM
25 1990 AND YET THIS ISSUE ISN'T AN ENHANCED OR SOMEHOW AN



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SUPERVISORS

1 EMERGENCY SITUATION IMPACTING THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

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3 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** LET ME JUST REITERATE, I IMAGINE THE FRUIT
4 FLY ONE MAY BE MORE RELATED TO AGRICULTURE, WHICH I'M PROBABLY
5 NOT THE BEST TO SPEAK TO, BUT FROM THE STANDPOINT OF
6 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, THAT IS WHY WE CONTINUE TO CITE THEM.
7 IT'S REALLY THESE UNSANITARY CONDITIONS LEADING TO THIS IMPACT
8 RELATED TO VECTORS. I CAN TELL YOU RIGHT NOW, LINEAGE'S VECTOR
9 PLAN AND INACTION IS NOT ENOUGH RIGHT NOW. THERE ARE FLY
10 IMPACTS IN THE COMMUNITY, AND SO THAT'S WHY WE ARE TRYING TO,
11 THAT IS WHY WE ARE CITING THEM ON AN ONGOING BASIS RELATED TO,
12 THERE'S MORE THAT LINEAGE NEEDS TO DO ON-SITE, AND THERE'S
13 MORE LINEAGE NEEDS TO DO IN THE COMMUNITY RELATED TO THESE
14 FLIES. AS FAR AS AN EMERGENCY DIRECTLY RELATED TO IT, WE HAVE
15 UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY, SPECIFICALLY IN ENVIRONMENTAL
16 HEALTH, THE ABILITY TO CITE ON THIS, AND THAT IS UNDER OUR
17 JURISDICTION. SO THAT PIECE IS COVERED IN EXISTING SORT OF
18 REGULATION, BUT WE ARE CAPPED ON THE FINES, WHICH THE
19 SUPERVISOR ELEVATED EARLIER. WE ARE REALLY CAPPED AT A \$500
20 PER SITE, I MEAN, PER VIOLATION MAX ON THAT, WHICH IS A VERY
21 LOW MONETARY AMOUNT.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** AND IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE CAN
24 CHANGE?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **DR. NICHOLE QUICK:** WE CAN CHANGE THAT PART. PART OF THAT IS IN
2 COUNTY CODE, THE \$500, BUT THERE IS A STATE PENAL CODE THAT
3 ALSO HAS A SET LIMIT ON THAT. SO THERE IS SOME ABILITY
4 LOCALLY, BUT REALLY OUR FINES TO THE POINT OF KIND OF LOOKING,
5 COMING BACK WITH RECOMMENDATIONS NEED TO BE LOOKED AT
6 HOLISTICALLY BECAUSE EVEN UP TO \$1,000 IS NOT MUCH FOR A
7 CORPORATION AS BIG AS LINEAGE.

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9 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** LOOK, I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR PUBLIC
10 DOLLARS ARE PRECIOUS. WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL IN HOW WE USE
11 THEM. BUT I ALSO, AND THAT LINEAGE IN THIS CASE AND ALL OF THE
12 BUSINESSES THAT ARE SORT OF ENTANGLED THERE, BECAUSE I
13 UNDERSTAND THERE'S AN OWNER AND THEN LINEAGE IS ONE OF THE
14 TENANTS. AND SO THERE ARE A LOT INVOLVED, BUT THAT SHOULD BE
15 HELD ACCOUNTABLE. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, IF THEY'RE NOT DOING
16 THEIR JOB AND WHAT WE'RE HOLDING THEM ACCOUNTABLE TO, WE HAVE
17 TO HELP SUPPORT PEOPLE. AND IF WE HAVE TO BILL IT BACK TO
18 THEM, FINE. BUT I JUST THINK THAT THERE'S, YOU KNOW,
19 RECOGNITION THAT THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE ACCOUNTABLE, BUT
20 PEOPLE ARE COUNTING ON US TO STEP UP AND HELP THEM. AND THE
21 LONGER THAT THEY'RE SUBJECTED TO THIS, THE MORE THEY ARE AT
22 RISK, NOT ONLY FOR THE ISSUES THAT WE'RE SEEING IN THE SHORT
23 TERM, BUT CHRONIC AND OTHER ISSUES, ISSUES LONG-TERM. AND SO I
24 JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE TAKING THAT INTO ACCOUNT.



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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I KNOW
2 THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF
3 HEALTH SERVICES HAVE BEEN OUT THERE WITH US AND HELPING TO
4 MEET WITH THE RESIDENTS WHEN THEY'VE HAD AILMENTS AND
5 PRESCRIBING THINGS AND EVEN GIVING THEM IN SOME WAY
6 PRESCRIPTIONS THAT THEY NEED AND URGING THEM TO ALSO SEE THEIR
7 PRIMARY PHYSICIANS. BUT I GET IT. WE NEED TO REALLY THINK ABOUT
8 WHAT ALL THOSE COSTS ARE THAT WE'VE ALREADY INCURRED, GO AFTER
9 THAT, BUT ALSO MORE THAT HAS TO BE DONE. BECAUSE I DO THINK
10 THERE HAS TO BE MORE PUBLIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE HARMS OF THE
11 VECTORS AND ALL OF THIS THAT HAS REALLY JUST PLAGUED THE
12 COMMUNITY FOR THE LAST, ALMOST 40, LONG BEYOND THE TIME THAT
13 IT SHOULD BE ALLOWED. SO IT IS HORRENDOUS. SO I WOULD HOPE
14 THAT WE CAN NARROW OUR SCOPE AND BE STRATEGIC AND GET TO THIS,
15 THE BOTTOM OF IT, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AND I KNOW OUR CEO WILL
16 HELP US GUIDE US ON THAT AS WELL IF WE HAVE TO TAKE OTHER
17 FORMAL LEGAL ACTION. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I'D
18 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE YOU.

19
20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU FOR
21 BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE LONG BEEN A
22 SUPPORTER OF THE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND. AND REALLY WANT
23 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO BE PREPARED. I THINK IT WAS
24 EASY TO PIVOT TO PHILANTHROPY IN THE PAST BECAUSE IT WAS
25 ASSUMED THAT IT WOULD TAKE GOVERNMENT TOO LONG TO SET IT UP,



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1 BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH. NOW THAT WE KNOW THAT WE ARE IN A
2 CONSTANT STATE OF DISASTER, IT APPEARS HAVING A FUND
3 ESTABLISHED IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT. I APPRECIATE SOME OF THE
4 QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED. I APPRECIATE HEARING THAT THE
5 AVERAGE. PAYOUT WAS \$3,000. MY NOTES HAD SAID \$1,000, SO I'M
6 GLAD TO HEAR THAT FIGURE. I DO HOPE THAT THE REFER REPORT BACK
7 WILL, YOU KNOW, GIVE US SOME INFORMATION. I DON'T THINK IT
8 SHOULD BE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS, SO I HOPE THAT
9 THERE WILL BE AN INFRASTRUCTURE PUT IN PLACE WITH, YOU KNOW,
10 WITH FAIR, EQUITABLE CRITERIA, SO THAT'S TRANSPARENT, SO
11 PEOPLE UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, THIS BUSINESS GOT IT, THIS ONE
12 DIDN'T, AND, AND WHY. AND TO TALK ABOUT APPROPRIATE SIZE OF
13 GRANTS, ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS, AS WELL AS, YOU KNOW, HOW MUCH
14 FUNDING WE THINK SHOULD REMAIN IN THE RESERVE FOR THE NEXT
15 EMERGENCY, BECAUSE WE ALL KNOW THAT THERE WILL BE,
16 UNFORTUNATELY, A NEXT ONE. SO HOW DO WE CREATE THIS SENSE OF
17 BALANCE FOR MEETING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FACING IT
18 RIGHT NOW AND ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE AN
19 ONGOING FUND? AND THAT WE'RE PREPARED FOR THE NEXT TIME IT'S
20 GOING TO BE NEEDED. SO, I HOPE THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO, YOU
21 KNOW, LOOK FORWARD AND BEGIN TO REALLY ESTABLISH THE CRITERIA,
22 RECOGNIZING THIS IS GOING TO BE AN ONGOING FUND. SO I LOOK
23 FORWARD TO THOSE KINDS OF THINGS BEING ADDRESSED IN THE REPORT
24 BACK. I'D APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
2 LEADERSHIP ON AQMD. SO I REALLY WANT TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO
3 YOU, SUPERVISOR THANK YOU. WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
4 SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, CAN WE GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT?

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
7 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. SOPHIA QUINONES, ANNA DIAZ,
8 ELISEO HERNANDEZ, ELIZABETH HERNANDEZ, YESENIA PUM, STEPHEN
9 KUNG, ARMANDO TORRES, MARQUEZ ALMA, MARIA MORALES, CINDY
10 BORBON, SYLVIA CORONA AND FRAN SERESERES. WE WILL NOW GO TO
11 OUR REMOTE CALLERS. NATHALIE HUYNH, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
12 BEGIN.

13

14 **NATHALIE HUYNH:** HELLO, I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE PACIFIC
15 ASIAN CONSORTIUM IN EMPLOYMENT. WE ARE CALLING IN SUPPORT OF
16 ITEM 15. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR
17 MEETING THE MOMENT TO HELP ADDRESS THIS INJUSTICE HAPPENING TO
18 THE LOCAL BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY THE FIRE. ALTHOUGH THE
19 LINEAGE FIRE AND THE OIL SPILL HAVE OCCURRED AT NO FAULT TO
20 L.A. COUNTY, WE APPLAUD YOU FOR STEPPING IN AND PROVIDING A
21 SUPPORT SERVICE TO SMALL BUSINESSES SINCE NOBODY ELSE IS DOING
22 SO. WE ALSO AGREE WITH THIS MOTION BEING PROACTIVE IN
23 EXPLORING WAYS TO KEEP BAD ACTORS RESPONSIBLE AND REQUIRING
24 COMPANIES WITH POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS BUSINESSES TO PAY INTO
25 THE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND. WITH ALL THE EMERGENCIES THAT



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1 HAVE BEEN HAPPENING IN L.A. COUNTY OVER THE PAST YEAR AND A
2 HALF, IT IS CRITICAL THAT THE COUNTYWIDE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION
3 FUND HAS A SUSTAINABLE STREAM OF FUNDING. PLEASE VOTE YES ON
4 ITEM 15.

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6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
7 LAST TWO DIGITS 29, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
8 AND BEGIN.

9

10 **DIEGO RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. MY
11 NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, CEO OF ALMA FAMILY SERVICES, AND I'M
12 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15. OVER THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS,
13 ALMA HAS BEEN ON THE GROUND SUPPORTING EASTSIDE COMMUNITIES
14 THROUGH THE RECOVERY EFFORTS FOLLOWING BOTH THE LINEAGE FIRE
15 AND THE OIL SPILL. WHILE MUCH OF THE FOCUS HAS RIGHTLY BEEN ON
16 THE RESIDENTS, WE HAVE ALSO SEEN THE SIGNIFICANT HARDSHIP
17 EXPERIENCED BY SMALL BUSINESSES. THEY ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE
18 HEALTH AND RECOVERY OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. I WANT TO THANK
19 CHAIR SOLIS FOR ADDRESSING THIS NEED AND ADVANCING PRACTICAL,
20 EQUITABLE SOLUTIONS. THIS MOTION NOT ONLY EXPLORES ASSISTANCE
21 FOR BUSINESSES IMPACTED TODAY BUT ALSO CREATES A FRAMEWORK TO
22 HOLD RESPONSIBLE PARTIES ACCOUNTABLE WHILE STRENGTHENING A
23 COUNTYWIDE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND BY REQUIRING BUSINESSES
24 ENGAGED IN HIGH-RISK ACTIVITIES TO HELP SUPPORT IT. I
25 RESPECTFULLY ASK YOU TO SUPPORT ITEM 15. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 213,
3 LAST TWO DIGITS 16, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
4 AND BEGIN.

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6 **KENYA RUIZ:** HELLO, CAN YOU GUYS HEAR ME? GOOD AFTERNOON, MY
7 NAME IS KENYA RUIZ. I'M CALLING YOU FROM THE WELLNESS CENTER,
8 AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
9 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR MEETING THE MOMENT TO HELP ADDRESS
10 THE INJUSTICE THAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT
11 ARE BEING IMPACTED BY LINEAGE FIRE. I ALSO AGREE WITH THIS
12 MOTION BEING PROACTIVE IN EXPLORING WAYS TO KEEP BAD ACTORS
13 RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS AND REQUIRING COMPANIES WITH POTENTIAL
14 HAZARDOUS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES TO PAY INTO THE BUSINESS
15 INTERRUPTION FUND. WITH ALL THE EMERGENCIES THAT HAVE BEEN
16 HAPPENING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY OVER THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF,
17 IT IS CRITICAL THAT THE COUNTYWIDE BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND
18 HAS A SUSTAINABLE STREAM OF FUNDING. PLEASE VOTE YES ON ITEM
19 15. THANK YOU.

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21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
22 LAST TWO DIGITS 74, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
23 AND BEGIN.

24

25 **ERIKA GARCIA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW HEAR TRANSLATION.

3

4 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ERICA GARCIA AND I AM HERE TO
5 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THE SUPPORT ON THE SMALL
6 BUSINESSES. ALTHOUGH THE LINEAGE FIRE WAS NOT A COUNTY'S
7 FAULT, I DO APPLAUD THEIR ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT AND
8 INTERVENE FOR THE SUPPORT OF SMALL BUSINESSES. THANK YOU.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
11 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BEGIN.

12

13 **KRISTIE HERNANDEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS KRISTIE HERNANDEZ, AND I'M A
14 RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. AND THE CHAIR OF THE
15 MARAVILLA COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND WE'RE HERE TO
16 OFFER OUR SUPPORT OF ITEM 15, AND WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S
17 EFFORTS TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE LINEAGE
18 TOXIC FIRE, SIMILAR TO THE EFFORTS BEING MADE TO ASSIST
19 BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE OIL SPILL IN MAY. WE URGE THE
20 BUSINESSES BE MADE WHOLE SOONER RATHER THAN LATER. SMALL
21 BUSINESSES IN UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING,
22 FIRST BY COVID, THEN THE FEDERAL RAIDS, TARIFFS, THE RECENT
23 OIL SPILL, AND NOW THE TOXIC FIRE. SMALL BUSINESSES ARE
24 SUFFERING AND THEY CANNOT RELOCATE, AND CUSTOMERS ARE NOW
25 CHOOSING NOT TO VISIT THE AREA DUE TO THE STENCH AND RAT, FLY



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1 INFESTATIONS. THEREFORE, BUSINESSES ARE LOSING REVENUE. WE ARE
2 PHYSICALLY, EMOTIONALLY, AND FINANCIALLY BEING IMPACTED FOR
3 SOMETHING WE DID NOT CAUSE, NOR DID WE INVITE TO THE
4 COMMUNITY. I HAVE PERSONALLY CONNECTED WITH LOCAL SMALL
5 BUSINESSES, AND THIS IS NOT A SEAMLESS PROCESS. PLEASE REVISIT
6 THE OUTREACH TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE GOING OUT TO FOLKS DIRECTLY
7 AND NOT ONLY PROVIDING PHONE NUMBERS, BUT ACTUAL ASSISTANCE
8 NAVIGATING THE PROCESS. A LOCAL BARBERSHOP WHO RECEIVED CASH
9 PAYMENTS --

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 818,
12 LAST TWO DIGITS 30, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
13 AND BEGIN.

14

15 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS GREG. I AM A SOCIAL MEDIA
16 CONTENT CREATOR, AND I'VE COVERED THIS ISSUE ON THE GROUND. I
17 JUST WANTED TO POINT OUT THAT THIS WHOLE THING IS AN EXAMPLE
18 OF ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM, WHICH IS WHERE COMMUNITIES OF COLOR
19 DISPROPORTIONATELY SHOULDER THE IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTALLY
20 DAMAGING INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY. I HAVE BEEN THERE. PEOPLE HAVE
21 TALKED TO ME ABOUT THEIR 80-YEAR-OLD NEIGHBORS WHO DON'T HAVE
22 AC AND CAN'T GO OUTSIDE. PEOPLE ARE SHOWING ME THE BITES ON
23 THEIR SKIN FROM THE FLIES. THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT OF THIS, I
24 DON'T THINK, HAS BEEN MEASURED AND PROBABLY CANNOT BE
25 UNDERSTATED. LINEAGE AS A MULTI-BILLION-DOLLAR CORPORATION HAS



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1 A FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY TO MAXIMIZE VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS.
2 THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO ANY MORE THAN THEY FEEL LIKE THEY
3 HAVE TO. SO I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS BECAUSE I THINK YOU
4 GUYS NEED TO FORCE THEM TO HELP THE PEOPLE BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT
5 GOING TO WANT TO HELP THE PEOPLE MORE THAN THEY THINK THEY
6 NEED TO.

7

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

10

11 **BYRON JOSE:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

12

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

14

15 **BYRON JOSE:** HELLO. THANK YOU. THIS IS BYRON WITH THE
16 TRANSATLATINA COALITION. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE ALSO HEARD
17 THE BUSINESS INTEREST FROM CSTR FUNDS. SO HOW DO WE MAKE SURE
18 THAT WE CONTINUE TO INVEST IN CARE AND SAFETY FOR OUR
19 COMMUNITIES. WHILE BEYOND JUST SAYING IT'S CFCI, I MENTIONED
20 IT AS THE BOARD POLICY, HOW ARE WE UPHOLDING THE WILL OF THE
21 VOTERS, WHICH HAS BEEN A RECURRING THEME. AGAIN, WHEN WE
22 CONTINUE TO RELY ON MEASURE J AS A FUNDING SOURCE FOR A
23 PROGRAM LIKE THIS, SO DEFINITELY LEVERAGING PHILANTHROPIC
24 LINEAGE INTO THIS FUND, AND THAT WE CONTINUE TO MAKE SURE THAT
25 COMMUNITIES CAN UPLIFT [INAUDIBLE]. THANK YOU.



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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 862,
3 LAST TWO DIGITS 10, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

4

5 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, SO CAN YOU HEAR ME?

6

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

8

9 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** OKAY, SO THIS LINEAGE FIRE RESPONSE HAS
10 BEEN A SUPER CRAZY [EXPLETIVE] JOKE. ONE OF THE SPEAKERS, I
11 DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS FROM ONE OF THE DEPARTMENTS OR WHATEVER,
12 THEY SAID THAT IN THIS MEETING THAT THE FLIES DON'T BITE OR
13 SOMETHING. AND YET WE HAVE PLENTY OF EVIDENCE THAT THEY DO. IF
14 YOU'VE GROWN UP IN A PLACE THAT MAYBE WASN'T AS WELL TAKEN
15 CARE OF, YOU WOULD KNOW THAT FLIES BITE. IT MIGHT NOT BE THE
16 ONES THAT BUZZ AROUND YOUR NICE NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT IF YOU'RE
17 NEAR A TRASH HEAP, THE [EXPLETIVE] FLIES BITE. ANOTHER THING
18 IS THAT THE CITY, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE COUNTY, BUT THE CITY
19 REFUSED TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY, BASICALLY SO THAT THE
20 INSURANCE COMPANIES DON'T HAVE TO DO PAYOUTS TO ALL THESE
21 HOMEOWNERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS. SO CLEARLY, THE ESTABLISHMENT
22 IS COOPERATING WITH THE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE
23 CORPORATIONS TO [EXPLETIVE] THE PUBLIC.

24

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



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1 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** AND THANKS. I GUESS WE HAVE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
4 MITCHELL. WE HAD ANOTHER BADER. HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH RACE.
5 IF YOU LIVE THERE, YOU'RE AFFECTED. AND IF YOU'RE, THOSE
6 PERSONS ARE BEING ILL-TREATED, LOOK NO FURTHER THAN YOUR
7 ELECTED OFFICIALS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE ARE NO OTHER
10 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
11 ITEM 15 IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.
12 PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **SOPHIA QUINONES:** SOPHIA QUIÑONES. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WE CALL
15 UPON YOU TO FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF YOUR COLLEAGUE, KATHRYN
16 BARGER AND COUNTY PUBLIC COUNSEL DAWYN HARRISON, WHO ON BEHALF
17 OF L.A. COUNTY SUED DUE TO THE NOXIOUS CHEMICAL STENCH OVER AT
18 CHIQUITA CANYON. THE COMMUNITIES OF EAST LOS ANGELES DESERVE
19 EQUAL SUPPORT. AS FAR AS THE LADIES HERE, I'D LIKE TO
20 COMMUNICATE WITH YOU DIRECTLY BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T HAD ALL THE
21 AGENCIES IN EAST LOS ANGELES MEET. WE HAVE DIRECT INFORMATION
22 THAT CAN HELP YOU. WE NEED THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION INVOLVED,
23 AND WE NEED TO EXPAND THE AREAS THAT ARE IMPACTED THAT OUR
24 BUSINESSES ARE HURTING. AND THE MONEY THAT WAS REALLOCATED DID
25 NOT COME TO EAST LOS ANGELES. AND THERE HAS BEEN CRIMINAL



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1 BEHAVIOR ON BEHALF OF A LOT OF PEOPLE. IT IS DISGRACEFUL, AND
2 WE NEED TO HOLD AGENCIES ALSO ACCOUNTABLE. SO WE WANT TO HAVE
3 A TOWN HALL. EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE HAS OFFERED THEIR
4 AUDITORIUM. I WANT TO WORK IN CONJUNCTION WITH ALL OUR
5 AGENCIES --

6

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

8

9 **YESENIA PUM:** MY NAME IS YESENIA PUM, RESIDENT OF
10 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER HORVATH FOR
11 SPEAKING AND ASKING THE RIGHT QUESTIONS. AND I HAVE HAD AN ON-
12 AND-OFF EYE INFECTION, WHICH IN MY 30 YEARS HAVE NEVER HAD
13 BEFORE, AS YOU CAN SEE. AND I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT IT'S BECAUSE
14 OF THE POLLUTION. INCREASED EXPOSURE TO UNSANITARY CONDITIONS
15 INCREASES THE RISK OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF INFECTIONS, ETC. I
16 CAME HERE TO HIGHLIGHT THE STREET VENDORS WHO ARE OFTEN
17 NEGLECTED WHEN IT COMES TO ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES. AS ALREADY
18 MENTIONED, THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FUND RECEIVED \$2,000,000
19 AND DISTRIBUTED THE FUND TO 22 ORGANIZATIONS. I URGE YOU TO
20 HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE AS WELL SINCE THE CCF CEO SHOULD HAVE A
21 CAP ON THEIR SALARY BECAUSE THEIR SALARY IS TOO DAMN HIGH.
22 ADDITIONALLY, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ARE BEING ADDED WITH
23 MORE WORKLOAD DOING THE GOVERNMENT'S JOB IN DISASTER RELIEF
24 BECAUSE THEY KNOW THE COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
25 SHOULD BE DOING THEIR JOB, AND ONLY AND THE ONLY ONE WHO



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1 COVERS ASSISTANCE FOR BUSINESSES AND STREET VENDORS IS
2 INCLUSIVE ACTION. SO OBVIOUSLY, THE FUNDS ARE EXHAUSTED. HOW
3 IS ONE ORGANIZATION GOING TO COVER BOTH BOYLE HEIGHTS AND
4 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A.?

5

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

7

8 **SYLVIA CORONA:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SYLVIA CORONA ONCE
11 AGAIN. LAST FRIDAY WE WERE AT A PRESS CONFERENCE THERE WITH
12 LINEAGE. I'M STILL TRAUMATIZED BECAUSE THAT RESTAURANT THAT'S
13 RIGHT ON THE CORNER OF OLYMPIC AND INDIANA. THERE SOME PALMS
14 OUTSIDE. AND THE FIRST EXPERIENCE WAS THAT THERE WERE SO MANY
15 FLIES RIGHT THERE ON THE GRASS AND AS SOON AS YOU WALK BY
16 THEY'RE FLY THEY'RE JUST FLYING TOWARDS YOU OR CHASING YOU. I
17 DON'T KNOW IF IT'S THE SWEAT. AND NOW THE COMPANY HAS PLACED
18 THESE TRUCKS WITH BAGS THAT ARE TIED. THEY'RE JUST LARGE BAGS
19 ATTACHED TO THESE TRUCKS. AND THAT'S NOT REALLY HAPPENING.
20 THEY'RE JUST DOING THAT BECAUSE THE MEDIA WAS THERE. THAT'S
21 NOT REALLY TRULY. THEY'RE JUST. I SAW WHEN THEY WERE MOVING
22 THOSE TRUCKS OUT, AND THEY'RE JUST MOVING THEM AWAY. AND
23 ANOTHER THING, THAT RESTAURANT THERE'S ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE
24 RESTAURANTS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. AND WE ALSO HAVE THE
25 OWNERS TELLING PEOPLE TO GO AND APPLY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT, BUT WE



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1 KNOW THAT SOME PEOPLE DON'T HAVE DOCUMENTATION. SO THAT'S ONE
2 OF THE ISSUES.

3

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

5

6 **ARMANDO TORRES:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

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8 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ARMANDO TORRES,
9 AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLÍS FOR BEING ON TOP OF
10 THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND. TO HELP THE INJUSTICE OF ALL OF THOSE
11 SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE SUFFERING DUE TO THE LINEAGE FIRE.
12 AND TO BE CLEAR, ALTHOUGH THAT LINEAGE FIRE WAS NOT THE
13 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COUNTY, I DO APPLAUD THE INITIATIVE. OF
14 BEING ABLE TO INTERVENE AND SUPPORT ALL OF THE SMALL
15 BUSINESSES THAT NO ONE ELSE WAS SUPPORTING. I ALSO SUPPORT
16 THAT THIS MOTION ADOPTS A FOCUS, A PROACTIVE FOCUS, TO BE ABLE
17 TO FIND WAYS TO MAKE THESE NEGLIGENT BUSINESSES RESPONSIBLE.
18 AND ALSO TO BEG THAT THESE BUSINESSES THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED
19 WITH THESE DANGEROUS SITUATIONS SO THAT THEY HAVE A FUND FOR
20 THIS INTERRUPTION. AND GIVEN THE NUMEROUS EMERGENCIES THAT
21 HAVE HAPPENED WITH THE COUNTY DURING THE LAST YEAR, IT IS
22 IMPORTANT THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND BE ACTIVE.
23 AND ALSO, I SUPPORT MOTION 15.

24

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



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2 **STEVEN KUNG:** I'M STEVEN KUNG, AND I APPLAUD ITEM 15, AND THANK
3 YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR BUSINESSES. BUT ON DAY 49 OF THE TOXIC
4 FIRE, LET'S REMEMBER YOU STILL HAVEN'T PROVIDED THE HELP THE
5 RESIDENTS TRULY NEED. I LIVE IN MONTEREY PARK WHERE THE AIR
6 STILL STINKS. THE STENCH MADE NATIONAL HEADLINES IN THE NEW
7 YORK TIMES. THE TOXIC EXPOSURES ARE STACKED. THERE'S THE FLIES
8 AND THE DISEASE. BUT I HAVE FANTASTIC NEWS. YOU HAVE THE POWER
9 TO REMOVE PEOPLE FROM HARM. YOU CAN MANDATE AN EVACUATION
10 ORDER. AS YOU DID IN PORTER RANCH AND CHIQUITA CANYON AND
11 LISTENED TO YOUR CEO. YOU CAN DECLARE THE AREA UNINHABITABLE,
12 WHICH WOULD UNLOCK INSURANCE AND MORTGAGE RELIEF FOR THE
13 RESIDENTS. LET ME BE CLEAR, MAKING THESE DECLARATIONS COSTS
14 LITTLE BUT MEANS EVERYTHING TO YOUR CONSTITUENTS. DON'T WAIT
15 FOR LINEAGE TO COMPLY. WE ALL KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO DO JACK
16 [EXPLETIVE], SO LET'S NOT PRETEND. IT'S UP TO YOU. FIX IT.
17 THANK YOU.

18

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

20

21 **MARIA MORALES:** [SPEAKING IN SPANISH]

22

23 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARÍA MORALES AND I'M
24 HERE TO SPEAK TO MS. HILDA SOLÍS. I WAS LOOKING AT YOUR PRESS
25 CONFERENCE WITH KAREN BASS AND THE REST ON FRIDAY. I'M WORRIED



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1 BECAUSE OF THE ANSWERS THAT KAREN BASS PROVIDED. KAREN BASS
2 SAID THAT THERE WAS A PAUSE TO THE PERMITS THAT ARE GOING TO
3 BE PROVIDED. WHAT DO YOU UNDERSTAND BY PAUSE? TO ME, IT'S A
4 PAUSE, AND THEN THEY'RE GOING TO REVIEW IT TO SEE IF IT'LL BE
5 APPROVED OR NOT. THAT'S A NO ON MY BEHALF. SO ANOTHER THING IS
6 THAT YOU SAID THAT BY THE 13TH IT WOULD BE IT WOULD BE FIXED
7 AND THEN OR THERE THERE'S GOING TO BE A \$500 DAILY FINE. DO
8 YOU REALLY THINK THAT THAT'S GOING TO COVER THE HOSPITAL
9 VISITS THAT ALL THE COMMUNITY IS GOING TO HAVE? I ALSO WANT TO
10 KNOW WHAT WAS BEING BURNED. WHAT WAS BURNED ON THERE? WAS IT
11 MEAT? AND \$500 ISN'T GOING TO COVER ALL OF THE EMERGENCIES
12 THAT ARE GOING THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HAVE. SO REALLY,
13 WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WAS BURNT THERE. WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT WAS
14 BURNT THERE IN ORDER FOR THEM TO BE TAKEN CARE OF.

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

17
18 **CINDY BORBON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CINDY BORBON, AND I
19 REPRESENT A SMALL BUSINESS IN MONTEREY PARK. PARK, LESS THAN
20 FOUR MILES FROM LINEAGE SITE. I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF
21 ITEM 15. ALTHOUGH WE'RE OUTSIDE OF THE PRIMARY RESPONSE AREA,
22 WE HAVEN'T BEEN OUTSIDE OF THE IMPACT. THERE ARE STILL DAYS
23 WHERE THE CHEMICAL ODOR IS SO STRONG IT AFFECTS OUR ABILITY TO
24 COME INTO THE OFFICE AND INVITE CLIENTS IN FOR MEETINGS. JUST
25 YESTERDAY EVENING, THE SMELL WAS OVERWHELMING. IF THIS IS



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1 SOMETHING WE'RE EXPERIENCING LESS THAN FOUR MILES AWAY, I
2 CAN'T IMAGINE THE BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS CLOSE TO THE SITE
3 THAT THEY'VE BEEN LIVING WITH EVERY SINGLE DAY. I RESPECTFULLY
4 ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER ITEM 15 TO EXPAND OUTREACH,
5 COMMUNICATIONS, AND AVAILABLE RESOURCES BEYOND THE CURRENT
6 FOCUS AREA. MY QUESTION IS, HOW ARE SMALL BUSINESSES AND
7 RESIDENTS SUPPOSED TO KNOW THAT WHERE OUR OFFICES ARE SAFE AND
8 OUR HOMES ARE SAFE? WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TESTING THE
9 COMMUNITIES BEYOND THE CURRENT RESPONSE AREA FOR CONTAMINANTS
10 THAT COULD AFFECT OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY? LONG-TERM HEALTH. IF
11 WE'RE NOT BEING TESTED, HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO HAVE
12 CONFIDENCE?

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

15
16 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, CHAIR SOLIS,
17 FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS WITH CONSTITUENTS AND BUSINESSES. WE
18 COME HERE IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 15. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AND
19 THANK YOU FOR MAKING YOUR STAFF AVAILABLE TO MEET WITH US. WE
20 KNOW THERE IS LOT TO BE DONE. OBVIOUSLY, WE'VE STARTED PROTECT
21 L.A. NOW IN RESPONSE TO THIS FIRE, THIS TOXIC FIRE. THERE'S
22 THREE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE THAT ARE PART OF OUR 40+
23 ORGANIZATIONS. WE URGE YOU TO SIGN THIS OR PASS THIS, BUT ALSO
24 TO MEET WITH US BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF INFORMATION TO SHARE
25 WITH YOU. AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE BUSINESSES ARE



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1 MADE WHOLE. \$3,000 IS NOTHING FOR A FAMILY-RUN BUSINESS. IT'S
2 NOTHING FOR A SMALL OR MICRO BUSINESS. AND STREET VENDORS LIVE
3 AND DIE OFF OF THE FOOD THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO SELL.

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

6
7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** COULD I ASK OUR DEO, KELLY, TO MAYBE
8 MEET WITH THEM AND THEN FOLLOW UP WITH THE CHAMBERS AND GET
9 THEM, YOU KNOW, HAVE, HAVE THAT DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION
10 EXCHANGE.

11
12 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** ABSOLUTELY. I'LL HAVE SOMEONE COME OUT.

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

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16 **KELLY LOBIANCO:** STEPHANIE'S RIGHT HERE.

17
18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. RIGHT, GOOD. NEXT SPEAKER.

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

21
22 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CLAUDIA JEREZ, UM, DWC DPSS.
23 DISASTER TRAGEDY, I KNOW MS. HAHN SAID THAT THERE MUST BE AN
24 ASSESSMENT OF THE CAUSE AND COST OF THIS TRAGEDY. ONE,
25 FAILURES IN SAFETY AND PRACTICES. 2, FAILURES TO IMAGINE AND



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1 VISUALIZE A POTENTIAL TRAGEDY OR HAZARD. SO SOMEBODY WASN'T
2 DOING THEIR JOB. 3, CULPRITS. WHO, WHEN, WHAT, HOW? IS IT THE
3 NEW FLIES? MAYBE SO. WHO KNOWS? DO AN AUDIT WHERE YOU IDENTIFY
4 THE FAILURES. IS IT INCOMPETENCE? IS IT SABOTAGE? OR BOTH? I
5 SUGGEST MAKE AN ASSESSMENT, REVIEW AUDIT. IT IS UNACCEPTABLE
6 FOR SOCIOECONOMIC COMMUNITIES WHO ARE UNDERSERVED AND LIVE
7 WITHIN POVERTY LIMITS TO HAVE ENDURED SO MUCH TURMOIL AND
8 DISPARAGEMENT AND DETRIMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTERS OR
9 CONDITIONS. VOUCHERS ARE AN IMMEDIATE YET TEMPORARY SOLUTION.
10 DO AN AUDIT ABOUT ALL --

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

13
14 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** I SUPPORT THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PURPOSE
15 OF AGENDA ITEM 15, BUT THE COUNTY MUST APPLY THE SAME
16 PROTECTIONS TO LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES SUCH AS SKID ROW.
17 ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM IS NOT LIMITED TO OPENLY DISCRIMINATORY
18 LANGUAGE. IT ALSO OCCURS WHEN PREDOMINANTLY LOW-INCOME,
19 UNHOUSED, DISABLED BLACK AND BROWN RESIDENTS ARE CONCENTRATED
20 NEAR CONSTRUCTION, DIESEL EMISSIONS, INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY,
21 SILICA DUST, NOISE, AND OTHER HAZARDS. I SUPPORT THE AGENDA
22 ITEM. NEW AFFORDABLE AND PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IS BEING
23 BUILT IN THESE ALREADY OVERBURDENED COMMUNITIES. HOUSING
24 PRODUCTION CANNOT BE CALLED EQUITABLE IF RESIDENTS ARE PLACED
25 IN BUILDINGS BESIDES ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION OR ENVIRONMENTAL



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1 HAZARDS WITHOUT MEANINGFUL MONITORING, ACCESSIBLE COMPLAINTS,
2 HEALTH PROTECTIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT. I ASK THE BOARD TO
3 REQUIRE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ASSESSMENTS, INDEPENDENT AIR
4 MONITORING, ENFORCEABLE MITIGATION, PUBLIC DISCLOSURE,
5 DISABILITY ACCESSIBLE REPORTING AND EQUAL PENALTIES FOR
6 HAZARDS AFFECTING RESIDENTS, NOT ONLY BUSINESSES. PLEASE ALSO
7 HELP ME OBTAIN COMPLETE RESPONSES TO MY PENDING CPRA REQUEST
8 CONCERNING THESE CONDITIONS AND THE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR
11 PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 15.

12

13 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 15 IS BEFORE
14 YOU.

15

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

18

19 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

20

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

22

23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

24

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



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2 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

3

4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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6 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

7

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

9

10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVING ON, EXECUTIVE
13 OFFICER.

14

15 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM
16 33, COMPREHENSIVE ELECTRONIC MONITORING SERVICES CONTRACT,
17 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
18 PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE USE
19 THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF ON A
20 TELEPHONE. GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA, CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER.
21 ROBERT N. ARCOS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY
22 OPERATIONS, AND SHEILA WILLIAMS, CHIEF DEPUTY ADMINISTRATIVE
23 SERVICES PROBATION ARE HERE. DAVID CARROLL, DIRECTOR OF YOUTH
24 DEVELOPMENT, GINA EACHUS, SENIOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT
25 OF JUSTICE CARE AND OPPORTUNITIES, ARE AVAILABLE FOR



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1 QUESTIONS. FOR THE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR
2 NAME AND TITLE FOR THE RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

3
4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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6 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
7 THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING TODAY. I HELD THE ITEM BECAUSE I'M
8 CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF SPECIFICITY AROUND HOW WE SUPPORT
9 THE YOUTH AND ADULTS WHO ARE ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING. IF WE
10 ARE SERIOUS ABOUT CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST, THEN OUR INVESTMENTS
11 SHOULD REFLECT JUST THAT. I UNDERSTAND THAT ELECTRONIC
12 MONITORING IS ONE OF THE TOOLS WE CAN USE TO URGENTLY
13 DECARCERATE OUR DETENTION CENTERS AND JAILS, BUT ON ITS OWN,
14 IT'S NOT A CARE FIRST STRATEGY. I'M ALSO AWARE THAT ELECTRONIC
15 MONITORING CARRIES RISKS INCLUDING DISRUPTIONS TO HOUSING AND
16 EMPLOYMENT, AND CAN INCREASE RECIDIVISM ON TECHNICAL
17 VIOLATIONS. THAT'S WHY WHEN ELECTRONIC MONITORING IS
18 RECOMMENDED, WE MUST ENSURE THAT WRAPAROUND SERVICES ARE
19 PROVIDED AS WELL. AND THE SUCCESS OF ELECTRONIC MONITORING
20 SHOULD NOT BE MEASURED BY HOW EFFECTIVELY SOMEONE HAS BEEN
21 MONITORED. WE SHOULD DEFINE IT BY HOW MANY PEOPLE WE HELP
22 SUCCESSFULLY REMAIN IN COMMUNITY. THAT MEANS SUPPORTING
23 LINKAGE TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT, SUBSTANCE USE
24 TREATMENT, HOUSING NAVIGATION, EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, BENEFITS
25 ENROLLMENT, FAMILY SUPPORT, TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE, REENTRY



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1 PLANNING, ALL THOSE KINDS OF COMMUNITY-BASED REFERRALS. SO AS
2 WE TOOK A LOOK AT THE AGREEMENT, I SAW NUMEROUS REQUIREMENTS
3 FOCUSED ON EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL PERFORMANCE, BUT I DIDN'T
4 SEE THE SAME LEVEL OF SPECIFICITY AROUND COMPREHENSIVE CASE
5 MANAGEMENT. SO I THINK THAT WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, I'LL GO
6 FURTHER TO SAY A RESPONSIBILITY TO BE MORE INTENTIONAL. IF WE
7 ENTER INTO A CONTRACT THAT COULD POTENTIALLY ADMINISTER THIS
8 PROGRAM FOR A DECADE, WE SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT MEANINGFUL
9 CASE MANAGEMENT AND SERVICE COORDINATION AREN'T OPTIONAL ADD-
10 ONS. THEY SHOULD BE CORE EXPECTATIONS. SO, SO GIVEN THAT, I
11 HAD SOME QUESTIONS FOR ALL OF YOU. AGAIN, I'VE GOT CONCERNS
12 ABOUT THE CONTRACT, AND, AND I CAN'T BE SUPPORTIVE OF IT
13 UNLESS YOU ALL CAN HELP ME SEE HOW THESE SERVICES WILL BE
14 PAIRED WITH WRAPAROUND CASEWORK FOR BOTH YOUTH AND ADULTS ON
15 MONITORING. SO CAN YOU SHARE WHAT SPECIFIC WRAPAROUND SERVICES
16 WILL BE PAIRED WITH THIS CONTRACT. WE CAN START WITH
17 PROBATION, AND I'LL HEAR FROM DYD AND JCOD.

18
19 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU FOR
20 THE CLARITY. I THINK MAYBE WE'RE THINKING OF IT DIFFERENTLY,
21 THAT EVERYTHING THAT YOU MENTIONED REALLY IS MORE ON THE
22 POLICY SIDE, AND THAT WHAT WAS BEING PRESENTED WAS SIMPLY WHAT
23 WENT OUT TO BID, WHICH WAS THE AS YOU CORRECTLY MENTIONED,
24 WHICH IS HEAVY ON THE WHAT IS THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING
25 SERVICE, THE EQUIPMENT, AND THE EXPECTATION, AND HOW MANY



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1 PEOPLE WE CAN PUT ON THERE, AND WHO PUTS THE MONITOR ON.

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND I GET THAT'S THE NATURE OF THE
4 CONTRACT. AND SO I GUESS MY POINT IS THEY HAVE TO GO HAND IN
5 HAND FROM MY PERSPECTIVE FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING TO BE
6 SUCCESSFUL, WHICH IS REALLY TO HELP KEEP PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY.
7 SO IF YOU COULD TELL ME OUTSIDE OF THE CONTRACT, WHAT YOU'RE
8 GOING TO DO ON THE SERVICES SIDE.

9

10 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** YES, AND, AND WE'LL ALLOW THE OTHER TWO
11 DEPARTMENTS AS WELL. BUT THANKS FOR THE CLARITY, BECAUSE IT'S
12 NOT THAT THAT WOULD BE ADDED OR THAT YOU'RE SEEKING FOR THAT
13 TO BE ADDED TO THIS CONTRACT THAT'S WITH A SPECIFIC VENDOR.
14 YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW FROM THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS IF
15 SOMEBODY IS PLACED ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING, WHAT CAN BE
16 EXPECTED. IT MIGHT BEAR A LITTLE BIT OF CLARIFICATION AS TO
17 WHAT PORTIONS OF THIS CONTRACT ARE FOR JUVENILES, WHAT PORTION
18 IS REALLY AS A SUPERVISION STRATEGY, BECAUSE FROM MY
19 PERSPECTIVE, MOST OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED HERE ARE AS
20 MANDATED ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION FOR THE JUDGES, AND
21 THEY'RE PLACING IT EITHER DURING THE PRETRIAL PROCESS, WHICH
22 IS THE BULK OF THE CONTRACT, OR EVEN IN THE JUVENILE COMPONENT
23 WHERE THE JUDGE IS CHOOSING TO RELEASE THEM, AND THIS IS SORT
24 OF THE ONLY TOOL THAT THEY FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH. NONE OF THAT
25 NEGATES WHAT YOU MENTIONED, WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY WHAT ARE THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 STRATEGIES. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT CLEAR, SORT OF
2 PROPORTIONALLY WHAT IT'S USED FOR. THERE ARE OTHER
3 JURISDICTIONS IN WHICH IT'S USED MUCH MORE AS A SUPERVISION
4 STRATEGY, MEANING SOMEBODY IS ALREADY IN THE COMMUNITY AND WE
5 WANT TO ASCERTAIN HOW WELL THEY'RE DOING OR, OR ADDRESS
6 VIOLATIONS BY PLACING THEM ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING. THAT IS
7 TYPICALLY NOT HOW IT'S USED IN THIS COUNTY. IT'S REALLY USED
8 MORE AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO INCARCERATION. BUT I'LL YIELD SO WE
9 CAN TELL YOU WHAT HE ACTUALLY ANSWERED, WHAT OTHER SERVICES
10 ARE PROVIDED.

11
12 **DAVID CARROLL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DAVID CARROLL, DIRECTOR OF THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. SO ABOUT A YEAR AGO, A LITTLE
14 OVER A YEAR AGO, WE CREATED THE REI PROGRAM, WHICH IS REENTRY
15 ACTION FOR YOUTH, AND IT WAS REALLY DESIGNED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
16 RETURNING TO COMMUNITY FROM A CARCERAL FACILITY. REALLY EARLY
17 ON, AS WE PARTNERED WITH THE DEFENSE BAR, THE JUDGES, THE
18 D.A., PROBATION, WE DISCOVERED THERE WAS A NEED FOR PREDISPO
19 YOUTH WHO WERE GOING BACK TO COMMUNITY WHO DIDN'T HAVE ANY
20 WRAPAROUND SERVICES AT ALL. SO WE STARTED WITH 200 PLACEMENTS
21 FOR THE FULL POPULATION. WE REACHED CAPACITY ALMOST
22 IMMEDIATELY. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO MOVE THAT UP TO 600 OPENINGS.
23 ABOUT HALF ARE PREDISPO. THE OTHER HALF ARE POST-ADJUDICATED
24 YOUNG PEOPLE. MANY OF THE PREDISPO YOUNG PEOPLE ARE ON
25 ELECTRONIC MONITORING AS ORDERED BY THE JUDGE AND ORDERED TO



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1 BE PART OF THE R.A.I.D. PROGRAM, TO NOT GO INTO LOS PADRINOS
2 OR INTO CVK FOR THE GIRLS. WHILE WE DO SERVE THAT PARTICULAR
3 POPULATION, IT IS BY FAR NOT THE FULL POPULATION OF YOUNG
4 PEOPLE THAT ARE ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING. I BELIEVE, LIKE I
5 SAID, WE HAVE A CAPACITY OF 600. IF YOU SPLIT IT BETWEEN THE
6 TWO, LET'S SAY 300 PRE-DISPO. I BELIEVE THAT WHEN WE WERE
7 TALKING EARLIER, THERE ARE ABOUT 1,200 YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGHOUT
8 THE COURSE OF THE YEAR THAT ARE PLACED ON ELECTRONIC
9 MONITORING. SO, THE RAID PROGRAM IS REALLY HIGH-TOUCH, HIGH-
10 IMPACT WITH THE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES THAT ARE BUILT IN, THE
11 OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO PAY FOR CLASSES, UNIFORMS,
12 LOTS OF DIFFERENT THINGS. THAT PROGRAM IS VERY EXPENSIVE. I'LL
13 BE HONEST, NOT VERY EXPENSIVE, BUT IT COSTS TO SUPPORT IN THAT
14 WAY. IT'S ABOUT \$20,000 A KID. WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IS
15 POTENTIALLY A LOWER-TOUCH, LOWER-COST WAY THAT WE COULD
16 POTENTIALLY SUPPORT PROBATION TO EXPAND OUR REACH. BUT OF
17 COURSE, WE WOULD HAVE TO TALK ABOUT WHERE THOSE RESOURCES
18 WOULD COME FROM. CURRENTLY, IT'S A PRETTY EVEN MIX BETWEEN
19 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES CFCI, JJ CPA FUNDS, AND
20 THEN WE HAVE A REQUEST OUT FOR SOME JJ RBG THAT WE, I THINK
21 THEY'RE VOTING ON THAT TOMORROW, SO WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT WE
22 RECEIVE THOSE FUNDS. BUT TO EXPAND IT AND TO KIND OF CREATE A
23 TIERED APPROACH, WE WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE TO FIND ADDITIONAL
24 RESOURCES.

25



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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND WHILE YOU SAY IT'S EXPENSIVE, I
2 APPRECIATE JUST KIND OF OUT OF CONTEXT, \$20K PER YOUNG PERSON
3 SOUNDS LIKE A LOT, BUT I KNOW WE SPEND MORE THAN \$20K PER
4 YOUNG PERSON IN OUR CARCERAL SYSTEM. SO IT'S, IT'S A MATTER OF
5 PERSPECTIVE, I WOULD ARGUE.

6

7 **DAVID CARROLL:** RIGHT.

8

9 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. JCOD.

10

11 **GINA EACHUS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GINA EACHUS FOR THE
12 JUSTICE, CARE, AND OPPORTUNITIES DEPARTMENT. INTENSIVE CASE
13 MANAGEMENT IS A MAIN FOCUS OF THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE TO
14 JUSTICE-INVOLVED AND SYSTEM-IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS. JCOD
15 RECENTLY EXECUTED NEW CONTRACTS WITH ALMOST 30 COMMUNITY-BASED
16 ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
17 ACROSS THE COUNTY. THIS IS MEANT TO HELP INDIVIDUALS, RIGHT,
18 WHO MAY BE ON SUPERVISION, EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT ON SUPERVISION,
19 IF THEY'RE PRE-TRIAL, IF THEY'RE RE-ENTRY. SO JCOD HAS WORKED
20 DILIGENTLY TO BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT THESE
21 INDIVIDUALS AND HAS THE CAPACITY TO DO SO. ONE OF THE THINGS
22 THAT I THINK IS REALLY CRUCIAL HERE IS THAT JCOD HAS RECENTLY
23 EXECUTED CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT
24 SERVICES WHERE WE'RE ABLE TO LEVERAGE THE MEDI-CAL BENEFIT.
25 AND WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH PROBATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES



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1 WHERE JCOD CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR CARE AND CASE
2 MANAGEMENT SERVICES, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS WHERE THEY MIGHT
3 HAVE GAPS IN COVERAGE AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION
4 SERVICES. THEY ALREADY ARE OFFERED AND AVAILABLE AND PROVIDED
5 REGULARLY FOR INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND THEIR MONTHLY PROBATION
6 APPOINTMENTS, BUT BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN AN EXPRESS NEED TO
7 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT, WE HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSIONS TO
8 FIND WAYS TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENT AND
9 ALSO ESTABLISH DIRECT SERVICE ORDERS SO FUNDING CAN SUPPORT
10 THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.

11
12 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND CAN YOU QUANTIFY THAT AT ALL? YOU
13 KNOW, I JUST HEARD THAT IT'S ABOUT 1,200 KIDS, AND SO DYD'S
14 PROGRAM IS SUPPORTING ABOUT A QUARTER OF THAT NUMBER. AND SO
15 AS YOU'RE IN DISCUSSIONS, DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA ABOUT HOW MANY,
16 PARTICULARLY PREDISPOSITIONED YOUTH,

17
18 **GINA EACHUS:** WELL, SO FOR YOUTH, I THINK THAT WOULD PRIMARILY
19 BE IF THEY'RE UNDER THE AGE OF 18, RIGHT? THEY COULD BE
20 SUPPORTED BY DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, BUT JCOD DOES
21 HAVE CAPACITY TO SUPPORT ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS EVEN WITH THE
22 EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. AND WE HAVE DISCUSSED PILOTING AT
23 SEVERAL LOCATIONS USING OUR EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE. I THINK
24 TO BE ABLE TO EXPAND AND TO SERVE MORE, THAT WILL PROBABLY
25 REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDING. AND FOR THE TRANSPORTATION



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1 SPECIFICALLY, SUPERVISOR, CURRENTLY THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDES
2 TRANSPORTATION TO AROUND 2,000 INDIVIDUALS PER QUARTER WHO ARE
3 ON PROBATION SUPERVISION, AND WE DO HAVE THE CAPACITY TO
4 LEVERAGE THE EXISTING TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROVIDERS, BUT IT
5 WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDING BECAUSE THAT FUNDING IS
6 LIMITED.

7

8 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. BACK TO PROBATION, YOU
9 KNOW, WE'VE HEARD PRETTY CONSISTENT CONCERNS THAT THE
10 REDUCTION OF YOUR FIELD SERVICES IS IMPACTING THE SAFETY AND
11 SUPPORT PROVIDED TO YOUTH AND ADULTS ON PROBATION. DOES THIS
12 CONTRACT AT ALL ADDRESS THE GAP AND ALIGN WITH THE FUTURE OF
13 FIELD SERVICES, OR NO? FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE?

14

15 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** IT DOESN'T. THIS CONTRACT DOES NOT FILL
16 THE GAPS CREATED BY THOSE MOVES. I, YOU KNOW, BUT I DO HAVE TO
17 ANSWER BECAUSE IT'S NOW A COMMON THEME THAT THERE'S THIS
18 BELIEF THAT THE MOVE OF PROBATION OFFICERS INTO THE FACILITY
19 HAS RENDERED THE GENERAL PUBLIC SORT OF SAFETY DECLINE. AND I
20 --

21

22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND LET ME JUST CLARIFY MY QUESTION,
23 NOT IN TERMS OF, I HEAR YOU ON THAT, AND YOU'VE ADDRESSED THAT
24 BEFORE. SO MY QUESTION WAS, IS IT IMPACTING THE SAFETY AND
25 SUPPORT PROVIDED TO YOUTH, TO THE YOUTH WHO ARE BACK IN THE



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1 COMMUNITY, IN THIS INSTANCE ON ANKLE MONITORS?

2

3 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** YEAH, NO, I GUESS THE MOST

4 STRAIGHTFORWARD ANSWER THAT I COULD GIVE YOU IS THAT THIS

5 CONTRACT IN PARTICULAR DOES NOT ENHANCE THAT MODALITY OF

6 WRAPAROUND SERVICES OR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO YOUTH OR ADULTS.

7 IT IS A CONTINUATION OF A SERVICE THAT HAS EXISTED, BUT WITH

8 THIS COMPANY AND FOR THESE TERMS. SO IT IS AN IMPORTANT

9 PORTION OF WHAT WE DO, BUT IT CERTAINLY ISN'T PART OF THAT

10 SORT OF CHANGE IN THE MODEL OF HOW WE DO BUSINESS. BUT I'D BE

11 REMISS IF I DIDN'T MENTION THAT I REJECT THE FLAT-OUT NOTION

12 THAT THE SIMPLE MOVE OF STAFF TO THE YOUTH HAS RESULTED IN

13 THIS REDUCTION IN PUBLIC SAFETY. IT IS AN INCOMPLETE STORY,

14 AND I'M HAPPY TO DISCUSS IN LENGTH SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS

15 THAT HAVE BEEN DONE TO CHANGE THE WAY THAT WE'RE SUPERVISING

16 FOLKS IN THE FIELD, AND THAT ANY TIME THAT SOMEONE TELLS ME

17 THERE'S BEEN A REDUCTION OF SOME SERVICE, REALLY, WHEN THEY

18 COME BACK AND THEY TELL ME A PERSON THAT THEY KNEW DOESN'T

19 WORK SOMEWHERE, AND I SAY THAT THAT'S INSUFFICIENT, YOU KNOW,

20 WE'RE RUNNING AN ORGANIZATION HERE, BECAUSE I DO WANT TO KNOW

21 WHERE THERE ARE GAPS. SO ONE, ABSOLUTELY, I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE

22 MORE PROBATION OFFICERS THAT WERE FULL DUTY AND COULD COME TO

23 WORK AND COULD COVER MORE OF THE AREAS OF SUPERVISION. BUT

24 TWO, I REJECT THAT IT HAS SIMPLY BEEN A MOVE THAT HAS RESULTED

25 IN THIS VACUUM, WHEN IN REALITY THERE ARE SOME TYPES OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 SUPERVISION THAT ARE OCCURRING AT A MUCH HIGHER RATE TODAY
2 THAN BEFORE.

3
4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES, AND I'M
5 PROBABLY GOING TO ABSTAIN. I REALIZE IT'S A BOARD LETTER
6 BECAUSE OF ALL OF THE RESEARCH I'VE LOOKED AT LOCALLY AND
7 NATIONALLY, YOU KNOW, TO, TO MERELY I APPRECIATE THIS IS THE
8 TECHNICAL SIDE OF THE CONTRACT, BUT FOR ME NOT TO HAVE A HIGH
9 SENSE OF CONFIDENCE THAT WITH THIS DECADE-LONG CONTRACT THAT
10 THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT THERE WILL BE NOT JUST PILOTS FOR
11 SOME, BUT EVERYONE WHO HAS AN ANKLE MONITOR TO HAVE THOSE
12 OTHER RESOURCES IS CHALLENGING. AGAIN, I'M ABSTAINING VERSUS
13 VOTING NO BECAUSE I'M ALSO THE ONE THAT CONTINUES TO PUSH ON
14 DEPOPULATION, AND I REALIZE IT IS A DEPOPULATION TOOL. IT IS
15 NOT AN OVERALL EFFECTIVE STRATEGY TO KEEP PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY
16 SUCCESSFUL. WE KNOW THE INCIDENCE OF PEOPLE BEING VIOLATED
17 BECAUSE THEY'RE ON ANKLE MONITOR THAT BRINGS THEM BACK INTO
18 THE SYSTEM. SO IT IS A TOOL, IT IS NOT THE WHOLE STRATEGY.
19 AND, YOU KNOW, THAT I FRANKLY STRUGGLE WITH. SO THANK YOU FOR
20 COMING AND ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

23
24 **SUP. JANCIE HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I
25 CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S CONCERNS. I THINK



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1 PART OF MY A LITTLE BIT CONFUSION, AND THEN LISTENING TO YOU
2 TODAY, IT SEEMS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN WHAT MY STAFF BROUGHT
3 BACK TO ME AFTER CLUSTER. IN CLUSTER, APPARENTLY IT DID SAY
4 THAT THIS CONTRACTOR HAD WAS A CASE MANAGER BESIDES. BESIDES
5 THE EQUIPMENT PIECE. SO IT WASN'T JUST THE BEST EQUIPMENT. IT
6 WAS THIS CONTRACTOR WE WERE GIVING THEM SOME CASE MANAGEMENT
7 WORK. DID WE GET THAT WRONG? WE MEANING YOU.

8

9 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** NO, I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE IT WRONG.
10 THERE IS A SECTION IN HERE THAT SPEAKS TO CASE MANAGEMENT
11 SERVICES FOR ONE OF THE THREE GROUPS.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT THE ISSUE IS A
14 LITTLE BIT, TO GIVING THIS CONTRACTOR CASE MANAGEMENT WORK,
15 BECAUSE I THINK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS REALLY LAID IT OUT.
16 THERE'S SO MUCH THAT GOES WITH SOMEONE HAVING ANKLE MONITORING
17 IN THE COMMUNITY. AND JUST, YOU KNOW, WE'VE GOT JCOD, WE'VE
18 GOT DYD. I MEAN, THERE'S RESOURCES THAT HAVE TO GO. AND
19 WHATEVER, GUILLERMO, YOU SAY, THE NARRATIVE IS OUT THERE, AND
20 I'VE HEARD IT MYSELF FROM FIELD STAFF WHO HAVE BEEN
21 TRANSFERRED TO OUR FACILITIES. AND I'M WONDERING, IS THEN DOES
22 THIS CONTRACTOR BECOME THE PREMIER CASE MANAGER FOR SOMEONE ON
23 ANKLE MONITORING?

24

25 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T. AND SO THANK YOU



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1 FOR POINTING THAT OUT. IT'S CASE MANAGEMENT.

2
3 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHAT CASE MANAGEMENT WOULD THEY BE DOING?

4
5 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I'LL TELL YOU WHAT IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T
6 MEAN. IT DOESN'T REPLACE THE FUNCTION OF PROBATION OFFICERS'
7 CASE MANAGEMENT. IT DOESN'T REPLACE THE FUNCTION OF ANY COUNTY
8 EMPLOYEE THAT IS ALREADY ENGAGED IN PRODUCING THAT WORK OR
9 BEING A NAVIGATOR. WE CERTAINLY CAN GO BACK AND FROM THE
10 CONTRACT LANGUAGE PROVIDE YOU WHAT IT MEANS. IT'S NOT AT ALL
11 WHAT I'VE HEARD PRESENTED TODAY, WHICH WOULD BE EITHER
12 WRAPAROUND SERVICES OR BEING THAT NAVIGATOR.

13
14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHAT DO YOU DEFINE IT AS THAT THIS
15 CONTRACTOR, UNDER THE CASE MANAGEMENT PIECE OF THIS CONTRACT,
16 WHAT WILL THEY BE ASKED TO DO OR REQUIRED TO DO, OR WHAT DO WE
17 EXPECT THEM TO BE DOING?

18
19 **ROBERT ARCOS:** YEAH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ROBERT ARCOS, CHIEF
20 DEPUTY OPERATIONS. AND I THINK THAT WAS PART OF THE CONFUSION
21 AT CARR. AND ALTHOUGH IT DOES EXIST IN THE CONTRACT, AS THE
22 CHIEF MENTIONED, IT EXISTS UNDER THE HIGH-RISK SEX OFFENDER
23 MONITORING, THE GPS, WHERE THERE IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE
24 CONTRACTOR TO MEET WITH THE CLINICIANS THAT ARE ASSIGNED TO
25 THE CLIENT AND ALSO THE DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER OF RECORD TO



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1 SAY, HOW ARE THEY, HOW ARE WE DOING? OR HOW ARE WE DOING? ARE
2 WE MANAGING THE, THE GPS? ARE WE, ARE WE MANAGING THE
3 RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS.

4

5 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THAT FEELS LIKE A LITTLE DIFFERENT WORD THAN
6 CASE MANAGEMENT.

7

8 **ROBERT ARCOS:** WE AGREE. WE AGREE WITH THAT.

9

10 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** YEAH, THAT'S WHY I JUST JUMPED TO THE
11 POINT OF NOTHING THAT'S BEEN DISCUSSED HERE TODAY WITH RESPECT
12 TO CASE MANAGEMENT WOULD BE FULFILLED BY THIS CONTRACT. IF WE
13 WERE SEEKING TO HAVE A PRIVATE COMPANY PROVIDE THOSE CASE
14 MANAGEMENT SERVICES, THAT CERTAINLY WASN'T WHAT THIS CONTRACT
15 --

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I FEEL THAT'S WHAT GOT COMMUNICATED IN
18 CLUSTER.

19

20 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I SEE.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I, I'M ALSO CURIOUS, A LITTLE BIT TOO,
23 BASED ON SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S, YOU KNOW, HOW ARE WE
24 EVALUATING THE OUTCOMES OF ELECTRONIC MONITORING WITH THIS
25 CONTRACTOR? LIKE, HOW DO, IF WE WERE GOING TO EVALUATE THIS



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1 CONTRACT, AFTER IT WAS UP? WHAT WOULD WE BE EVALUATING?

2

3 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I WOULD LOVE FOR ANY TIME THAT WE SPEND
4 DOLLARS SOMEWHERE THAT WE ANTICIPATE TO HAVE PUT PRESSURE ON
5 LOWERING RECIDIVISM, THAT WE MEASURED THAT. THE COUNTY SIMPLY
6 DOESN'T DO THAT. WE SHOULD DO THAT ACROSS THE BOARD FOR ALL
7 DEPARTMENTS. THE WAY THAT THIS WOULD BE MONITORED IS WHETHER
8 THEY PROVIDED THE SERVICES THAT WE ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT
9 WITH. I THINK THE SEPARATE QUESTION, WHICH IS, IS ELECTRONIC
10 MONITORING A GOOD STRATEGY, WOULD BE SEPARATE THAN WHETHER
11 THIS CONTRACT IS FULFILLED.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. THAT'S SEPARATE. AGAIN, I THINK,
14 AGAIN, THAT QUESTION STEMMED FROM ARE THEY DOING CASE
15 MANAGEMENT AND HOW ARE WE GOING TO EVALUATE THAT?

16

17 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** NO, WE WOULD BE EVALUATING. OH, YOU'RE
18 ASKING HOW WOULD WE KNOW IF THEY COMPLIED WITH THE CASE
19 MANAGEMENT PORTIONS OF THAT CONTRACT. YEAH, I'D HAVE TO --

20

21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT,

22

23 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I'D HAVE TO DIG DEEPER INTO THAT.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, I SORT OF ALSO FEEL LIKE NOT BEING



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1 PREPARED TO VOTE FOR THIS WITHOUT A LITTLE MORE CLARIFICATION
2 ON WHETHER THERE IS ANY CASE MANAGEMENT OR YOU WANT TO TAKE
3 THAT OUT OF THE CONTRACT ALTOGETHER, OR, WELL WE JUST, IT
4 FEELS FUZZY.

5

6 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** YEAH, I MEAN, I'M A LITTLE SHOCKED
7 BECAUSE THIS, THIS SIMPLY IS AN ELECTRONIC MONITORING
8 CONTRACT. THAT IS WHAT HAS BEEN DONE IN THIS COUNTY FOR MANY,
9 MANY YEARS, AND IT'S SIMPLY FOR THAT TOOL. I UNDERSTAND THAT
10 WE'RE INTERESTED IN WHETHER IT'S A GOOD STRATEGY ALTOGETHER.
11 THAT'S, I THINK, A DIFFERENT CONVERSATION.

12

13 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M ASKING.

14

15 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** IT'S NOT?

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, I'M ASKING ABOUT WHY THERE IS ANY CASE
18 PARTICULAR CONTRACT? AND DO WE REALLY WANT THIS CONTRACTOR TO
19 BE THE CASE MANAGER? OR DO WE WANT THEM JUST TO HAVE THE
20 EQUIPMENT THAT WORKS? YOU'RE RIGHT, IT'S A SEPARATE DISCUSSION
21 OF WHETHER OR NOT IT'S THE BEST STRATEGY, BUT I AGREE IT'S
22 SOMETHING THAT WE WERE LOOKING TOWARDS EVEN FOR DEPOPULATION
23 OF LOS PADRINOS. WAS THERE OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT?

24 7

25 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** SUPERVISOR, SHEILA WILLIAMS, CHIEF DEPUTY OF



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1 ADMIN. THIS CONTRACT IS SET TO START NOVEMBER 1ST. IN ORDER
2 FOR US TO MAKE AMENDMENTS OR CHANGES, I BELIEVE, TO THE
3 CONTRACT, I'M NOT QUITE SURE IF WE WOULD STILL HAVE TO GO OUT
4 TO BID AND DO A WHOLE NEW SOLICITATION PROCESS. AND IF SO,
5 THEN WE WILL BE WITHOUT A CONTRACT IN PLACE, AND THEREFORE
6 MANY OF THE PARTICIPANTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY ON IT AND AS A
7 TOOL AVAILABLE TO THE JUDICIAL OFFICERS THIS WOULD NO LONGER
8 BE A TOOL AVAILABLE. AND SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT
9 IS CLEAR. IT'S SET TO START NOVEMBER 1ST. A SOLICITATION
10 PROCESS TAKES MUCH LONGER THAN THAT. AND SO IF WE DO WANT TO
11 MAKE SOME CHANGES, YOU KNOW, STRIKE SOME LANGUAGE, I HAVE TO
12 GO BACK AND TALK TO MY CONTRACTS MANAGER TO SEE WHAT'S
13 POSSIBLE AND ALSO WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL ON THAT.

14
15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH, IF I COULD JUST ADD, I THINK
18 THAT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO MAKE
19 CLEAR THAT ON THE PROBATION SIDE, THERE'S NOTHING IN THIS
20 CONTRACT OR THAT WE WOULD EXPECT FROM THIS VENDOR THAT IS
21 REPLACING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED BY OUR
22 EMPLOYEES. ON THE PRETRIAL SIDE, WE PROBABLY CAN COME BACK
23 WITH A DIFFERENT APPROACH. I THINK THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING. THE
24 CONTRACT FOLKS TO EXPLAIN EXACTLY WHAT THE CASE MANAGEMENT
25 PIECE. THERE IS PROBABLY THAT LANGUAGE IN THERE TO DESCRIBE



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1 NOT WHAT WE'RE DESCRIBING AS CASE MANAGEMENT, BUT THE
2 INTERACTION BETWEEN WHAT THEY'RE SEEING ON THEIR SCREEN, WHAT
3 THEY CAN PROVIDE TESTIMONY TO, THAT THEY'RE CALLING CASE
4 MANAGEMENT IN ALL LIKELIHOOD. AND TO ME, THAT SEEMS LIKE A
5 CLARIFICATION THAT CAN BE PROVIDED BY CONTRACTS, AND WE'LL
6 CERTAINLY SEND THAT TO EACH OF YOUR OFFICES.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

9

10 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I DON'T WANT TO
11 BE IN THE HABIT OF RENEWING CONTRACTS OR SERVICES JUST BECAUSE
12 WE'VE ALWAYS HAD THEM, AND SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I
13 UNDERSTAND THAT IT MIGHT BE SURPRISING TO YOU THAT THERE'S
14 THIS MUCH DISCUSSION ABOUT SOMETHING THAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE
15 PAST, BUT I THINK WHAT YOU'RE HEARING FROM THIS BOARD IS A
16 DESIRE FOR GREATER CLARITY AROUND WHAT WE'RE SPENDING THE
17 MONEY ON. AND I HEAR YOU, MS. WILLIAMS, ABOUT IF THIS CONTRACT
18 DOESN'T CONTINUE, THEN THAT TOOL IS NOT AVAILABLE. AND SO WHAT
19 DOES THAT MEAN? WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO PEOPLE WHO ARE ON
20 ELECTRONIC MONITORING RIGHT NOW?

21

22 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I GUESS THAT'S PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE
23 SAID, RATHER THAN BE SURPRISED, THAT MOST OF THIS TOOL IS USED
24 FOR THE BENCH. MOST OF WHAT THIS CONTRACT IS FOR IS TO COMPLY
25 WITH THE ORDERS OF JUDGES.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** I UNDERSTAND. SO WHAT WOULD HAPPEN
3 IF, IF THIS CONTRACT WEREN'T CONTINUED AT ALL? WHAT WOULD
4 HAPPEN?

5

6 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** WELL, I WOULD STILL BE COMPELLED TO
7 PLACE PEOPLE ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING ACCORDING TO WHAT THE
8 BENCH IS TELLING ME. I WOULD LEAVE TO COUNTY COUNSEL TO
9 RESPOND FURTHER.

10

11 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, SO YOU WOULD FIND ANOTHER WAY
12 TO PURSUE ELECTRONIC MONITORING?

13

14 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** I CAN'T ANSWER WITH RESPECT TO WHAT I
15 WOULD BE PERMITTED TO DO OR NOT DO WITH FUNDS FROM THE
16 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THE ONLY THING THAT I KNOW IS THAT IF A
17 JUDGE HAS GIVEN ME AN ORDER TO RELEASE SOMEBODY ON ELECTRONIC
18 MONITORING, I SHOULD CERTAINLY ATTEMPT, IF IT'S WITHIN MY
19 POWER TO DO THAT. WHETHER THERE'S ANOTHER, WHAT THE CORRECT
20 POT OF MONEY TO DO THAT WOULD BE OR HOW IT COULD BE DONE, I
21 REALLY CAN'T ANSWER, AND I'D HAVE TO SEEK GUIDANCE.

22

23 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY. AND SO IF, IF WE CONTINUE— IF
24 WE AUTHORIZE THIS CONTRACT TO ALLOW FOR PEOPLE TO CONTINUE ON
25 ELECTRONIC MONITORING BUT APPROVED IT WITH A CONDITION THAT WE



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1 DIDN'T FUND THE PROVISION OF SERVICES, THEN WHAT? AND I GUESS
2 THAT'S MY CONCERN, IS THIS WAS YOUR LETTER TO US. SO IF YOU
3 ALL DON'T KNOW WHAT'S BEING PROVIDED, I DON'T KNOW WHERE WE
4 WOULD GET THAT INFORMATION FROM.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, WHEN DOES THE CURRENT CONTRACT
7 EXPIRE AGAIN?

8

9 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** NOVEMBER 1ST.

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, NOVEMBER 1ST.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** SO CAN, CAN MAYBE INSTEAD OF US
14 TAKING ACTION ON THIS ITEM TODAY, CAN YOU TAKE THESE QUESTIONS
15 BACK AND GET US INFORMATION AND COME BACK TO THE BOARD?

16

17 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** THAT'S WHAT THE --

18

19 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** WE HAVE A CLEARER UNDERSTANDING OF
20 WHAT THAT IS.

21

22 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** YEAH, THAT'S WHAT THE CHIEF SUGGESTED THAT WE
23 BRING BACK THE CONTRACT MANAGER.

24

25 **SUP. JANIC HAHN:** THAT COUNTY COUNSEL COULD WORK TO CLARIFY



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1 LANGUAGE

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3 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** AND CLARIFY THE LANGUAGE IN TERMS OF WHAT
4 CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES MEANS WITH RESPECT TO THE CONTRACT.
5 AND IF THAT WHETHER WE HAVE TO DO ANOTHER SOLICITATION, WE CAN
6 WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL ON THAT.

7

8 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** BECAUSE I THINK WHAT'S HAPPENING IS
9 THERE, THERE'S A TERM OF ART, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND THEN
10 THERE'S THE VERNACULAR, CASE MANAGEMENT. AND I THINK THAT'S
11 WHERE WE'RE GETTING, I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU SAID IN TERMS OF
12 SEMANTICS. NO, NO, I UNDERSTAND. BUT I THINK THAT'S, THAT'S
13 PART OF THE ISSUE. AND SO GETTING CLARITY AROUND WHAT SERVICES
14 ARE OR AREN'T BEING PROVIDED, BECAUSE IF IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S
15 SIMPLY ADMINISTRATIVE AND NOT PROGRAMMATIC IN NATURE, THEN I
16 GUESS MY NEXT QUESTION WOULD BE, WHY IS THE DEPARTMENT NOT
17 DOING THAT? BECAUSE THEN WE'RE GOING TO RUN INTO WHY ARE WE
18 CONTRACTING OUT ISSUE. AND SO I WOULD HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS IF
19 THAT WERE THE ANSWER, BUT SINCE WE DON'T KNOW, I'D LIKE MORE
20 INFORMATION. SO HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU THINK YOU NEED FOR US TO
21 GET THOSE ANSWERS? I THINK WE HAVE A COUPLE OF WEEKS. AND
22 RECONSIDER THIS IN ORDER TO MEET THE DEADLINES THAT YOU HAVE
23 TO COMPLY WITH.

24

25 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** WHAT FORM WOULD YOU LIKE US TO DO IT IN? CAN



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1 WE— SHOULD WE TAKE IT BACK TO CAR TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS
2 WITH YOUR DEPUTIES, OR DO YOU WANT US TO ACTUALLY COME BACK TO
3 THE BOARD WITH THOSE TYPES OF QUESTIONS?

4

5 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** MY UNDERSTANDING IS WE HAVE TO
6 APPROVE THIS ITEM AS A BOARD, SO IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO COME
7 BACK TO A BOARD MEETING IN SOME FORM OR FASHION, WHETHER IT'S
8 A REPORT OR A PRESENTATION. SO WHAT WOULD YOU PREFER?

9

10 **SHEILA WILLIAMS:** OKAY. NEXT WEEK?

11

12 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** NEXT WEEK?

13

14 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** YES, WE CAN GET THIS INFORMATION TO YOU
15 VERY QUICKLY. YOU KNOW, SORT OF PART OF HOW THIS PLAYS OUT IN
16 THIS FORUM IS HAD WE KNOWN THAT THIS IS THE SPECIFIC QUESTION,
17 WE COULD HAVE COME PREPARED FOR IT. SO WE COULD DO THIS VERY
18 QUICKLY WITHIN THE NEXT 24 HOURS. AND PROVIDE THAT
19 INFORMATION.

20

21 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** GREAT. WELL, WE DON'T HAVE— WE HAVE A
22 BOARD MEETING TOMORROW, BUT WE DO HAVE ONE, MADAM CHAIR, DO
23 YOU THINK THAT IT COULD BE AGENDIZED FOR NEXT WEEK THEN? OKAY,
24 SO, SO THEN I WOULD, I WOULD MOVE THAT WE CONTINUE THIS ITEM
25 FOR A WEEK.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WANT TO ASK A QUESTION THOUGH. I
3 GET IT THAT WE MAY BE CONFUSING WHAT CASEWORK, CASE MANAGEMENT
4 IS FROM WHAT WE ON THE BOARD THINK IT IS AND WHAT THIS COMPANY
5 AND WHAT PROBATION THINKS IT IS. AND I GUESS FOR ME, I'M
6 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THEIR ROLE. AS I UNDERSTAND IT FROM MY
7 STAFF IS THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ACTUALLY ATTEND MEETINGS
8 CONSISTING WITH THE INDIVIDUAL, REGARDING CURFEW VERIFICATION,
9 ACTIVITY DOCUMENTATION, AND VIOLATIONS. YES. REPORTING. THAT
10 IS NO REQUIREMENT TO CONNECT ANYONE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT
11 TO CONNECT ANYONE TO HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, TREATMENT, OR
12 SERVICES. SO THAT'S WHAT I, I'M UNDERSTANDING. THAT'S WHAT
13 CASE MANAGEMENT IS FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, AND THAT'S WHERE THE
14 DILEMMA IS HERE. SO TAKE IT BACK TO THE CONTRACTOR AND GET
15 CLARIFICATION. AND WE SEE, YOU KNOW, WHAT THAT MEANS, I WOULD
16 IMAGINE. AND IF CASEWORK DOES NOT INCLUDE SERVICES FOR
17 HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, TREATMENT, AND BLAH, BLAH, BLAH, THEN WE
18 NEED TO TALK ABOUT THAT. SO THAT'S A DISCUSSION YOU ALL SHOULD
19 BE HAVING WITH OUR STAFFS BEFORE YOU BRING IT BACK. I THINK
20 THAT'S WHAT I WOULD ASK FOR. ARE YOU GUYS OKAY WITH THAT, MY
21 COLLEAGUES?

22

23 **GUILLERMO VIERA ROSA:** UNDERSTOOD.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO WE'RE GOING TO TABLE THIS OR SEND



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1 IT. OH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE?

2

3 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** I WAS JUST WANTING TO CLARIFY. I HEAR
4 YOU AND I GET IT. I SAID IT'S AN ISSUE OF SEMANTICS. THAT
5 WASN'T THE CORE OF MY ISSUE. I JUST WANT, FOR ME, IT IS
6 PHILOSOPHICAL. I SAW THAT LANGUAGE, THOUGHT, OH, THAT'S WEIRD,
7 BUT THEN I INTERPRETED WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO IS REALLY
8 ADMINISTRATIVE. IT'S ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES VERSUS CASE
9 MANAGEMENT. SO I JUST WANT YOU TO BE CLEAR THAT I APPRECIATE
10 HAVING THIS CLARIFICATION COME BACK. IT MAY NOT, WILL VERY
11 LIKELY NOT CHANGE WHAT I'M GOING TO DO BECAUSE MINE IS A CORE
12 PHILOSOPHICAL BELIEF BASED ON DATA THAT I'VE REVIEWED OVER A
13 NUMBER OF YEARS.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. EO, LET'S GO TO
16 PUBLIC COMMENT.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? CLAUDIA JEREZ. WE WILL NOW
20 GO TO REMOTE CALLERS. HELEN EIGENBERG, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
21 PLEASE BEGIN.

22

23 **HELEN EIGENBERG:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. HELEN EIGENBERG. I'M A
24 RESIDENT OF SD3, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY LISTENING TO THIS
25 WHOLE CONVERSATION IS SO CONFUSING, AND I JUST WANT TO HOLD UP



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1 WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS BROUGHT UP BECAUSE IT'S A REAL
2 CONCERN, AND I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT. AND THANK YOU FOR WANTING
3 FURTHER CLARIFICATION BEFORE WE SIGN OFF ON ANOTHER CONTRACT.
4 THANK YOU.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 862,
7 LAST TWO DIGITS 10, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
8 AND BEGIN.

9

10 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** SO THEY WANT IMPARTIAL BINDING ARBITRATION
11 AND YOU CAN'T GO ON STRIKE. IS THAT WHAT THEY DO TO UNIONS NOW
12 ALREADY IN THE CITY? WHAT'S IMPARTIAL VERSUS LIKE OTHER IT
13 JUST MEANS LIKE A THIRD-PARTY LAWYER. I'M NOT SURE, BUT, BUT
14 YOU GUYS ALREADY HAVE FORCED ARBITRATION, RIGHT? AS LIKE,

15

16 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC.

17

18 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** CITY EMPLOYEES, CITY UNION EMPLOYEES.

19

20 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** THIS IS ITEM 33. OKAY, BROOKLYN CARTER, YOUR
21 LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

22

23 **BROOKLYN CARTER:** THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DO NOT
24 NEED TO BE PLACED UNDER SURVEILLANCE. THIS CONTRACT WILL MAKE
25 OUR COMMUNITY, THIS CONTRACT WILL NOT MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER



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1 OR PROVIDE MEANINGFUL SUPPORT TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN IT.
2 INSTEAD OF FULFILLING COMMITMENTS SUCH AS CLOSING MEN'S
3 CENTRAL JAIL AND PRIORITIZING CARE FIRST, THIS CONTRACT POINTS
4 US IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION. IT SUGGESTS A FUTURE WHERE
5 PEOPLE ARE PUSHED INTO INCARCERATION SYSTEMS INSTEAD OF
6 RECEIVING THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO AVOID IT. PUBLIC SAFETY
7 CANNOT RELY SOLELY ON LAW ENFORCEMENT, ESPECIALLY WHEN TOO
8 MANY MEMBERS OF MY COMMUNITY WHO ARE STRUGGLING ARE MET WITH
9 SUSPICION RATHER THAN COMPASSION. REAL PUBLIC SAFETY MEANS
10 GIVING PEOPLE THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO THRIVE. IT MEANS
11 EXPANDING ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH CARE, CREATING GOOD JOBS,
12 AND INVESTING IN OPPORTUNITIES THAT STRENGTHEN OUR
13 COMMUNITIES. INCREASING SURVEILLANCE ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY
14 WILL NOT MAKE OUR COMMUNITY SAFER FOR MANY PEOPLE. INSTEAD, IT
15 WILL DO THE OPPOSITE, PUTTING INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES AT A
16 GREATER RISK. PLEASE LISTEN TO THE VOICES OF MY COMMUNITY AS
17 WE SPEAK TO PROTECT OURSELVES FROM POLICIES THAT CAUSE HARM
18 INSTEAD OF PROVIDING SUPPORT. THANK YOU. CARE FIRST, JAILS
19 LAST.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
22 LAST TWO DIGITS 05. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
23 AND BEGIN.

24
25 **SOFIA QUINONES:** YEAH, HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?



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

3

4 **SOPHIA QUINONES:** THIS IS SOPHIA QUIÑONES. I JUST WANT TO
5 REALLY ENCOURAGE SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS TO HOLD A TOWN HALL
6 WITH ALL OUR AGENCIES TO DEAL WITH WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE
7 LINEAGE FIRE AS WELL.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THIS IS ON PROBATION --

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS IS OFF TOPIC.

12

13 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. THIS IS ITEM 33.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ZINNIA MORENO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
16 BEGIN.

17

18 **ZINIA MORENO:** HI, FIRST I JUST WANTED TO UPLIFT SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL FOR RESPONDING WITH THE RESEARCH AND FOR ABSTAINING
20 AS SUCH, BECAUSE I ALSO WANT DEPOPULATION, BUT THIS PROPOSAL
21 IS NOT THE ANSWER. I WAS IN THE CLUSTER MEETING, SO I CAN SAY,
22 YOU KNOW, IT'S BACKED UP BY THE TRANSCRIPTS OF THAT MEETING,
23 THAT WHEN PROBATION WAS PRESSED ON WHAT CASE MANAGEMENT WOULD
24 BE PROVIDED THROUGH THIS CONTRACT, THEY ADMITTED THAT BY CASE
25 MANAGEMENT THEY MEANT TECH SUPPORT FOR THE DEVICES. THEY



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1 PROVIDED AN EXAMPLE OF CASE MANAGEMENT AS AN INTERACTION
2 BETWEEN SOMEONE FROM THE CONTRACTED COMPANY AND SOMEONE WHOSE
3 DEVICE WAS MALFUNCTIONING, YOU KNOW, FIXING A DEVICE THAT WAS
4 BEEPING FOR NO REASON. AND THAT IS THE DEFINITION THAT THEY
5 GAVE FOR CASE MANAGEMENT IN CLUSTER, BUT THAT IS NOT THE
6 DEFINITION OF CASE MANAGEMENT. SO THIS IS INCREDIBLY DECEPTIVE
7 LANGUAGE ON THE PART OF PROBATION WHILE SITTING NEXT TO
8 DEPARTMENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE THE FUNDING TO PROVIDE ACTUAL CASE
9 MANAGEMENT IF DYD CAN ONLY SERVE A QUARTER OF ELIGIBLE YOUTH,
10 LET'S FIX THAT. THIS IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. I'M GRATEFUL TO
11 EACH OF YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THAT DECEPTIVE LANGUAGE.

12
13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
14 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

15
16 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** I'M SORRY IF I HIT THAT. I APOLOGIZE. I'M DONE.
17 I DIDN'T MEAN TO HIT IT.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO
20 OTHER REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE
21 PARTICIPATION FOR THIS ITEM IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR
22 IN-PERSON SPEAKER. PLEASE BEGIN. PLEASE BEGIN.

23
24 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS, DWC. OF COURSE, THE IDEAL
25 IDEA IS THAT CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES PROVIDE WRAPAROUND



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1 SERVICES TO ASSIST THE JUVENILE ACHIEVE CONGRUENCY AND
2 COMPLIANCE. CASE MANAGEMENT IS A VERY IMPORTANT PRACTICE, NOT
3 A TOOL, A PRACTICE THAT CAN ASSIST THE YOUTH OR JUVENILE
4 COMPLY WITH ORDERS AND COMPLY WITH STANDARDS MOST LIKELY
5 VIOLATED BY THE JUVENILE. CASE MANAGEMENT WOULD BE EFFECTIVE
6 TO HOLD STAFF AS WELL AS THE JUVENILE ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY
7 ACTIVITIES. ELECTRIC MONITORING TOOL IS A VERY EFFECTIVE TOOL
8 TO KEEP THEM IN COMPLIANCE. I BELIEVE CASE MANAGEMENT IS
9 NECESSARY IN THESE INSTANCES. I AM A CASE MANAGER MYSELF. I
10 KNOW HOW THE PRACTICE WORKS. IT WORKS VERY WELL BECAUSE I DID
11 IT. TO THE T, AND I ACHIEVED RESULTS. SO IF YOU CASE MANAGE
12 EVERYTHING AND MAKE SURE THAT THAT PERSON UNDERSTANDS THAT
13 YOU'RE --

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR
16 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

17
18 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, THE MOTION TO
19 CONTINUE THIS ITEM ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 11TH IS BEFORE YOU.

20
21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. I'LL
22 SECOND. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. NEXT
23 ITEM.

24
25 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM



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1 59C, FULLY UTILIZING FOSTER YOUTH TO INDEPENDENCE INITIATIVE
2 VOUCHERS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF
3 THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE
4 USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR PRESS *3 IF
5 YOU ARE ON A TELEPHONE. LISA MANDELL, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF
6 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, SERVICES, AND HOUSING, AND
7 EMILIO SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
8 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ARE AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. FOR THE
9 DEPARTMENT SPEAKERS, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE FOR THE
10 RECORD WHEN YOU ADDRESS THE BOARD.

11
12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

13
14 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO
15 THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR JOINING ME AS A CO-AUTHOR ON THIS
16 IMPORTANT MOTION. AND WELCOME TO OUR INTERIM DIRECTOR. I KNOW
17 IT'S MAYBE YOUR FIRST TIME JOINING US IN THIS CAPACITY, SO
18 WELCOME.

19
20 **LISA MANDEL:** IT'S INTERESTING. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** LAST WEEK, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
23 HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ISSUED A NOTICE REMOVING THE CAP
24 ON THE NUMBER OF FOSTER YOUTH TO INDEPENDENCE VOUCHERS THAT
25 PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES CAN REQUEST EACH YEAR. THIS IS A



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1 SIGNIFICANT AND WELCOME CHANGE THAT WILL ALLOW HOUSING
2 AUTHORITIES TO MORE EASILY DRAW DOWN THIS CRITICAL RENTAL
3 SUBSIDY FOR FORMER FOSTER YOUTH AND THOSE EXITING CARE.
4 APPROXIMATELY 1,200 YOUTH EXIT OUR COUNTY CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM
5 EACH YEAR. WE MUST ENSURE THAT EACH OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE HAS
6 A SAFE AND SECURE HOUSING PLAN WHEN THEY LEAVE OUR CARE,
7 PREVENTING ANY YOUTH FROM ENTERING HOMELESSNESS. THESE
8 EXPANDED FOSTER YOUTH VOUCHERS CAN BE A CONSISTENT SUBSIDY
9 INCLUDED IN THE HOUSING CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR TRANSITION-AGED
10 YOUTH WITH CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM HISTORY. WE KNOW THAT YOUNG
11 PEOPLE WANT AND NEED THESE VOUCHERS. AND EARLIER THIS YEAR,
12 WHEN DCFS OPENED THE FOSTER YOUTH TO INDEPENDENCE VOUCHER
13 WAITLIST, YOU RECEIVED 1,200 APPLICANTS IN A TWO-WEEK WINDOW
14 FOR ONLY 100 AVAILABLE VOUCHERS. THANKS TO RECENT CHANGES, WE
15 CAN NOW ENSURE THAT EVERY YOUNG PERSON WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ONE
16 OF THESE VOUCHERS CAN RECEIVE ONE, WHICH IS AN IDEAL MOMENT
17 FOR US TO SCALE THIS PROGRAM. DCFS AND HSH ARE WORKING TO
18 STRENGTHEN THEIR PARTNERSHIP AND BUILD OUT A CONTINUUM OF CARE
19 FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, AND WE KNOW THAT FYI VOUCHERS CAN HELP YOUNG
20 PEOPLE PREVENT OR END THEIR HOMELESSNESS. WE NEED MORE, AND
21 NOW WE CAN GET THEM. THIS MOTION CALLS ON OUR COUNTY
22 DEPARTMENTS TO WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE WE ARE PROVIDING THE
23 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NECESSARY FOR THESE YOUTH TO COMPLETE THE
24 HOUSING AUTHORITY APPLICATION, FIND A UNIT, TRANSITION INTO
25 HOUSING, AND STABILIZE AND THRIVE AS THEY JOURNEY INTO



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1 ADULTHOOD. THIS MOTION CALLS ON LACDA, DCFS, AND HSH TO REACH
2 OUT TO OUR REGION'S HOUSING AUTHORITIES TO INFORM THEM OF THE
3 SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE YOUTH AND SUPPORT THEY WILL RECEIVE.
4 WE NEED THE COMMITMENT OF OTHER HOUSING AUTHORITIES TO PARTNER
5 WITH THE COUNTY AND SECURE THE VOUCHERS FOR AS MANY ELIGIBLE
6 YOUNG PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE. I COMMEND THE VOICES OF OUR YOUNG
7 PEOPLE, THE LEADERSHIP OF DEXTER O'CONNELL FROM SAFE PLACE FOR
8 YOUTH, DCFS, HSH, AND LACTA FOR THEIR IN SUPPORTING THIS
9 PROGRAM AND ADVOCATING FOR ITS EXPANSION. THIS IS THE RESULT
10 OF HARD WORK. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACKS AND SEEING
11 HOW MANY MORE YOUNG PEOPLE WERE ABLE TO HOUSE. THANKS TO THIS
12 NEW RESOURCE AND TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY L.A. COUNTY. AND
13 I WANTED TO ASK, I KNOW WE'VE HEARD HOUSING AUTHORITIES
14 EXPRESS CONCERNS ABOUT REQUESTING THESE VOUCHERS AS THEY
15 WEREN'T SURE IF YOUTH WOULD BE PROVIDED THE NECESSARY SUPPORT.
16 YES. TO LEASE UP AND SUSTAIN THE HOUSING. SO WHAT SUPPORTIVE
17 SERVICES WILL OUR YOUNG PEOPLE BE PROVIDED WITH TO MAKE SURE
18 THIS RESOURCE IS FULLY UTILIZED, AND WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE
19 BETWEEN THE ROLE THAT HSH AND DCFS WILL PLAY IN ADMINISTERING
20 THE PROGRAM?

21
22 **SARAH MAHIN:** GREAT. SARAH MAHIN, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND HOUSING. WE HAVE A REALLY
24 WONDERFUL PARTNERSHIP WITH DCFS WHERE DCFS IS ACTUALLY FUNDING
25 HSH TO PROVIDE INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO YOUTH WHO



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1 HAVE FYI VOUCHERS. SO THAT MEANS THAT WE'RE PROVIDING SUPPORT
2 WITH SUBMITTING THE APPLICATIONS, PREPARING ALL THE
3 APPLICATIONS AND SUBMITTING THEM TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITIES,
4 SUPPORT WITH THE LEASE-UP PROCESS, WITH ENSURING THAT YOUTH
5 HAVE ALL THE ACCESS TO SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND FINANCIAL
6 MANAGEMENT AND ALL OF THOSE KINDS OF SUPPORTS TO ENSURE
7 HOUSING RETENTION AND SUSTAINABILITY. AND THEN IT'S IMPORTANT
8 TO NOTE THAT THE FYI VOUCHERS ARE TIME-LIMITED. THEY'RE 3-YEAR
9 VOUCHERS, AND FOR HOUSING AUTHORITIES THAT HAVE FAMILY SELF-
10 SUFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, THERE COULD BE A 2-YEAR EXTENSION. SO WE
11 ALSO DO THE WORK AROUND THE LONG-TERM PLANNING WITH SUPPORTING
12 THE TRANSITION TO THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM. AND
13 AFTER THAT, IF THERE'S STILL A NEED FOR HOUSING SUBSIDIES, WE
14 WORK ACROSS THE SYSTEM TO ENSURE THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE CAN
15 REMAIN SAFELY HOUSED.

16
17 **LISA MANDEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. LISA MANDEL, INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR
18 DCFS. FIRST, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO MY PARTNERS HERE
19 BECAUSE OUR THREE DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN WORKING REALLY IN
20 LOCKSTEP AND CREATED QUITE A NICE PIPELINE. I'M HAPPY TO SAY
21 THAT WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY REPORT, WHAT WE DO FROM OUR END IS WE
22 SOLICIT AND GET THE APPLICATIONS. WE WORK WITH THE YOUTH. WE
23 FACILITATE SCREENINGS, INTERVIEWS. WE PRETTY MUCH PUT THE
24 PACKET TOGETHER TO SEND OVER TO HSH. WE DO MEET MONTHLY WITH
25 THE HOUSING PROVIDERS, WITH THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES. WE



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1 MEET WITH OUR PARTNERS. WE'RE TRACKING OUR DATA. SO WE WANT TO
2 MAKE SURE THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUTH, AND
3 WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EVERY SINGLE
4 VOUCHER WE CAN GET OUR HANDS ON.

5

6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THAT'S GREAT, AND I'M GLAD TO HEAR
7 THE DISTINCTION. IT SOUNDS LIKE HSH IS LEADING IN TERMS OF
8 KEEPING TRACK OF THAT, AND DCFS IS PROVIDING THE SUPPORTIVE
9 SERVICES, WHICH WE'VE LONG HEARD WHEN WE'VE HELD DISCUSSIONS
10 WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, THAT'S THE MISSING PIECE. HOW DO THEY
11 ACTUALLY ACCESS THE THINGS THAT THEY KNOW ARE AVAILABLE TO
12 THEM? SO I'M GLAD WE'RE FIXING THAT IN THIS IN THIS MOMENT. SO
13 THAT'S GREAT. EMILIO, HOW MANY VOUCHERS WILL LACDA REQUEST
14 FROM HUD, AND HOW CAN YOU LEAD A COUNTYWIDE EFFORT TO GET MORE
15 HOUSING AUTHORITIES TO DRAW DOWN THESE VOUCHERS?

16

17 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR. EMILIO
18 SALAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT
19 AUTHORITY. AS YOU NOTED EARLIER, THERE WAS A, AN IMPORTANT
20 CHANGE TO THIS APPLICATION PROCESS THAT THE 50-VOUCHER CAP WAS
21 REMOVED, AND HUD IS MAKING VOUCHERS AVAILABLE THAT IS NEEDS-
22 BASED. IN OTHER WORDS, AS MANY VOUCHERS AS WE HAVE REFERRALS
23 FOR MINUS OUR ATTRITION RATE. SO AS WE'RE CRUNCHING THE
24 NUMBERS, WE FEEL, WE OURSELVES CAN APPLY FOR ANYWHERE BETWEEN
25 70 TO 90 VOUCHERS. BUT CERTAINLY THERE IS MORE ROOM FOR OTHER



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1 PHAS WITHIN THE REGION TO ALSO APPLY FOR VOUCHERS, AND WE'RE
2 GOING TO BE WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH THEM TO DO THAT. WE
3 ARE THE CONVENER OF PHAS, OF THE 19 PHAS HERE IN THE COUNTY,
4 AND WE'VE CONVENED BEFORE IN ENCOURAGING THEM TO APPLY FOR
5 THIS RESOURCE. ONE OF OUR SMALLER PHAS IN POMONA ACTUALLY WAS
6 THE ONE THAT STEPPED UP AND APPLIED AND GOT, YOU KNOW, A FAIR
7 AMOUNT OF VOUCHERS. THEY HAVE THE SECOND-LARGEST ALLOCATION.
8 AND SO WE'RE GOING TO BE CIRCLING BACK WITH ALL OF THE PHAS
9 AGAIN, LEVERAGING THAT RELATIONSHIP AND ENCOURAGING THEM TO
10 APPLY. YOU KNOW, MANY ARE RETICENT BECAUSE OF THE
11 ADMINISTRATIVE WORK AND BECAUSE OF THEIR UNFAMILIARITY WITH
12 THE NEW PROGRAM. AND WHAT WE'RE GOING TO LET THEM KNOW IS THE
13 COUNTY IS GOING TO BE THERE AND STEP IN IF THEY NEED ANY
14 ASSISTANCE. WE'VE DONE THAT WITH THE EMERGENCY HOUSING
15 VOUCHERS, AS HALF OF THE ONES THAT APPLIED OR THAT HAD
16 VOUCHERS HAD NO SOFT LANDING. AND SO THE COUNTY STEPPED IN AND
17 SAID, WE WILL ISSUE A COUNTY VOUCHER SO THAT NO ONE GOES
18 UNHOUSED. SO WE'RE GOING TO USE THAT RELATIONSHIP AND SAY, WE
19 WILL ALSO STEP IN AND PROVIDE YOU THE ASSISTANCE SO THAT YOU
20 CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN ADMINISTERING THIS PROGRAM.

21
22 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THAT'S GREAT. IS THERE SOMETHING
23 MAYBE HSH CAN WORK WITH? YOU KNOW, I KNOW WE HAVE OUR LOCAL
24 GOVERNMENT PARTNER, SO MAYBE THERE'S A WAY THAT FOR WHERE
25 THERE ARE HOUSING AUTHORITIES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR LOCAL



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1 GOVERNMENTS THAT WE CAN USE THAT TOOL TO COMMUNICATE THE
2 AVAILABILITY OF ASSISTANCE?

3

4 **SARAH MAHIN:** ABSOLUTELY.

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6 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** GREAT. AND DO YOU HAVE A NUMBER THAT
7 LACDA IS APPLYING FOR?

8

9 **EMILIO SALAS:** WE THINK THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO APPLY
10 BETWEEN 70 TO 90 BASED ON WHERE WE HAVE RIGHT NOW IN TERMS OF
11 IN THE PIPELINE. BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE REFINE THAT
12 NUMBER, AND WE'RE GOING TO MAXIMIZE THE AMOUNT. WE'RE GOING TO
13 SWING FOR THE FENCES AND ASK FOR AS MANY AS WE CAN POSSIBLY
14 PULL DOWN.

15

16 **LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** OKAY, SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF NEED.
17 SO AS MUCH AS WE CAN BE APPLYING FOR, WHETHER IT'S US OR OUR
18 PARTNERS, LET'S DO IT. AND I SEE YOU HAVE MORE.

19

20 **LISA MANDEL:** ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO DO IS
21 WE'RE TRACKING WHILE WE'RE DOING THE APPLICATION PROCESS TO
22 FIND OUT WHAT AREA THAT THESE YOUTH WANT TO LIVE IN, BECAUSE
23 PART OF THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN IN THE PAST WE'LL SAY, HERE'S
24 YOUR VOUCHER AND HERE'S WHERE YOU CAN LIVE, AND THEY DON'T
25 WANT TO LIVE THERE. IT'S NOT CLOSE TO HOME OR WORK OR SCHOOL.



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1 AND SO AS WE'RE GETTING THE APPLICATIONS IN, WE'RE GOING TO
2 ASK, AND THAT WILL HELP LACDA, MR. SALAS HERE, GO OUT AND GO
3 TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY SAYING, WE HAVE 25 YOUTH THAT WANT TO
4 LIVE IN YOUR AREA, STEP UP PLEASE. SO THAT SHOULD HELP INFORM
5 WHERE WE'RE TARGETING AS WELL.

6

7 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** GREAT. I'M GLAD WE'RE ALSO
8 COMMUNICATING THAT SO WE KNOW WHAT HELPS TO MAKE A GOOD MATCH.
9 SO --

10

11 **LISA MANDEL:** EXACTLY.

12

13 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ADDRESSING
14 THIS. THIS BRINGS SOME HOPE. CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC ALWAYS BUT
15 THANK YOU FOR THE LEVEL OF COORDINATION THAT'S NOW GOING TO
16 EXIST TO HELP MAKE THIS MORE SUCCESSFUL.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISORS
21 HORVATH AND BARGER FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD. YOU'RE
22 RIGHT, THIS IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF WHEN IMPACTED COMMUNITIES
23 ARE ENGAGED IN ADVOCACY AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. WE
24 ACTUALLY GOT SOME GOOD NEWS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. GO
25 FIGURE. AND I APPRECIATE THAT THE MOTION RECOGNIZES THE



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1 IMPORTANCE OF PARTNERSHIP WITH AND AMONG ALL OF OUR PUBLIC
2 HOUSING AUTHORITIES. THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. AS WE, AS WE
3 TALKED ABOUT NEED, OUR MOST RECENT HOMELESS COUNT SAW A 22%
4 INCREASE IN TRANSITION-AGE YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.
5 FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND IN TWO SPAS THAT COVER MAJORITY OF
6 THE SECOND DISTRICT, SPA SIX AND SEVEN, TAY EXPERIENCING
7 HOMELESSNESS REPRESENTED 64% AND 72% RESPECTIVELY OF THE
8 OVERALL HOMELESS POPULATION. SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT NEED, THE
9 NEED IS REAL, AND THE TIMING I THINK OF THE DATA IS CRUCIAL AS
10 WE CONSIDER. HOW TO BEST MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR YOUTH
11 TRANSITIONING OUT OF FOSTER CARE. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT,
12 GIVEN THAT DCFS IS THE MAIN HOLDER OF THE INFORMATION ON WHO'S
13 EXITING THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, THAT WE COMMUNICATE THAT WITH
14 ALL 88 CITIES ABOUT THE NUMBER OF YOUTH WITHIN THEIR
15 RESPECTIVE BOUNDARIES. I THINK THAT'S AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT.
16 WHY? BECAUSE IT SUPPORTS ME WHEN MY CITIES ASK WHAT RESOURCES
17 THE COUNTY IS PROVIDING, BECAUSE DCFS SERVES EVERY ANGELENO.
18 IT ALSO HELPS ME CONTINUE ENCOURAGING CITIES TO INCREASE
19 HOUSING OPTIONS FOR OUR SHARED CONSTITUENCIES. SO YOU MAKING
20 SURE THAT THEY UNDERSTAND HOW MANY OF THEIR YOUTH ARE GOING TO
21 BENEFIT WILL SERVE A DUAL PURPOSE FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. I ALSO
22 THINK THE URGENCY OF THIS MOTION IS CRITICAL SO WE CAN ENSURE
23 THAT THE COUNTY IS FIRST IN LINE TO REQUEST THESE VOUCHERS.
24 BECAUSE AS YOU GAVE US THE NUMBER, I KNOW THAT'S GOING TO NOT
25 MEET OUR FULL AND GROWING NEED. THERE'S ONE MORE THING I WANT



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1 TO UNDERSCORE, AND THAT'S TO ASK ALL THE DEPARTMENTS RELATED
2 TO THE DIRECTIVE FOR FUNDING AND STAFF CAPACITY NEEDS. I DO
3 WANT TO SEE AN ASSESSMENT THAT INCLUDES EFFICACY OF CURRENT
4 POSITIONS SUPPORTING THE PROGRAM. I WANT TO KNOW WHERE
5 EFFICIENCIES CAN BE ACHIEVED WITHIN THE CURRENT STAFFING
6 MODELS AND WHETHER A RECONFIGURATION OF CURRENT EXISTING STAFF
7 WITHIN EACH TEAM IS POSSIBLE. THIS REALLY SHOULD NOT
8 AUTOMATICALLY RESULT IN ADDING NEW POSITIONS. WE HAVE TO SEE
9 WHERE WE CAN WORK WITH WITHIN THE STAFFING POSITIONS THAT WE
10 CURRENTLY HAVE. I ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT SUPPORTS MIGHT
11 BE NEEDED FOR CONTRACTORS OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT PLAY A ROLE IN
12 SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTING THE PROGRAM AS WELL. I WANT TO MAKE
13 SURE THAT WE'RE PROVIDING THE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT TO THEM.
14 THAT WAS A DEFINITION OF CASE MANAGEMENT AS I UNDERSTAND CASE
15 MANAGEMENT. JUST SAYING. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HOPE THAT IN
16 THE REPORT BACK SOME OF THESE OTHER ISSUES CAN BE IDENTIFIED,
17 PARTICULARLY AROUND STAFFING. AND GO GET THE VOUCHERS FOR THE
18 COUNTY FIRST. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO CHIME IN
21 AND SAY THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND BARGER FOR THE
22 MOTION. I THINK THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US, FOR THE
23 COUNTY, AND IT'S A SIGH OF RELIEF FOR THOSE OF US THAT HAVE
24 REALLY BEEN TRYING TO HELP OUT OUR TAY POPULATION. AND I KNOW
25 THAT WE'LL DO OUR BEST TO HOPEFULLY COME OUT WITH MORE



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1 VOUCHERS AND DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO BE CREATIVE. I HAVE JUST
2 WANT TO SHARE AN EXAMPLE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT THAT I HOPE
3 WILL BE ABLE TO PARTNER WITH US ON THIS, AND THAT IS THE L.A.
4 RUBIN BOARD. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH THEM. SOME
5 OF YOU ARE NODDING. ON HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES, THEY PROVIDE
6 TRANSITIONAL AGE SERVICES, RESIDENTIAL STABLE COMMUNITY
7 SETTING, CASE MANAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKFORCE TRAINING,
8 APPRENTICESHIP ALL OF THE GOOD STUFF THAT'S HAPPENING. AND
9 THEY HAVE TAKEN OVER THESE COTTAGES IN THE NORTHEAST L.A.
10 AREA. IT USED TO BE FOR FAMILIES, FOR HOMELESS. AND THEY ARE
11 DOING A GOOD JOB WITH TAY AND LGBTQ. AND THEY'RE ONE OF THE
12 OUTSTANDING PROGRAMS THAT I'D LIKE TO HOPEFULLY SEE BECOME
13 MORE ENGAGED AND BE A PART OF THIS EFFORT FOR HEALING,
14 RECOVERY, AND TRANSITION FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. SO I JUST
15 WANTED TO UNDERSCORE THAT BECAUSE THIS IS A UNIQUE
16 OPPORTUNITY. FOR ONCE, THE FEDS MAY BE GETTING IT RIGHT, SO WE
17 BETTER GET IT RIGHT. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
18 ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED TO ADD? OKAY. LET'S GO TO PUBLIC
19 COMMENT THEN. EO.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL PLEASE COME
22 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? CLAUDIA JEREZ. MADAM CHAIR,
23 OKAY, WE DO HAVE ONE CALLER. DEXTER O'CONNELL, YOUR LINE IS
24 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.



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1 **DEXTER O'CONNELL:** YES, HELLO DEXTER O'CONNELL WITH SAFE PLACE
2 FOR YOUTH. IT'S A GENUINE PLEASURE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
3 THIS ISSUE TODAY. I APPRECIATE THE MOTION AND I THINK THAT ONE
4 OF THE THINGS THAT WE APPRECIATE DURING THE WHOLE PERIOD HAS
5 BEEN THE SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION BETWEEN HSH AND PREVIOUSLY
6 HOUSING FOR HEALTH ON ICMS, DCFS, LACDA, AND OUR OTHER HOUSING
7 AUTHORITIES. WE HOPE THAT THIS MOTION WILL HELP TO DEEPEN THAT
8 COLLABORATION, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO BE A PART
9 OF THAT. WE ARE ACTUALLY EXPECTING SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO GET
10 SOME GEOGRAPHICAL DATA FROM DCFS THAT WILL ALLOW US TO PRODUCE
11 THOSE MAPS WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. I WILL SHARE THOSE WITH
12 YOUR OFFICE WHEN WE HAVE THAT DONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
13 YOUR HARD WORK ON THIS, AND PARTICULARLY THANK YOU FOR
14 ENCOURAGING LACDA TO WORK ON THE ON-DEMAND VOUCHERS. THAT'S
15 GOING TO BE HUGE PROGRESS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HOUSING MORE
16 YOUNG PEOPLE USING THESE VOUCHERS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE ARE NO OTHER
19 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
20 THIS ITEM IS CONCLUDED. WE'LL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKER.
21 PLEASE BEGIN.

22
23 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. I BELIEVE THIS IS AN
24 EXCELLENT IDEA. IT WILL BRING AND GIVE YOUTH INDEPENDENCE TO
25 MAKE IT HAPPEN FOR THEMSELVES. I BELIEVE EXPECTATIONS ARE



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1 NECESSARY FOR YOUTH, EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS AND A GUIDE
2 AND A RULE OF, LIKE, OPTIONS AND ROUTES OF WHAT ROUTE AND WHAT
3 OPTIONS THEY CAN TAKE TO MAKE IT HAPPEN FOR THEMSELVES.

4 BECAUSE WHEN YOU DO CASE MANAGEMENT WITH THEM AND IF THEY GET
5 A VOUCHER, THEY'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO SAY, NOW I HAVE AN
6 APARTMENT, NOW I'M GOING TO DO INDEPENDENT LIVING. I'M GOING
7 TO DO INDEPENDENT LIVING, THAT MEANS I'M GOING TO GET MY OWN
8 GROCERIES, I'M GOING TO GET MY OWN CAR, I'M GOING TO GET MY
9 OWN BILLS, AND I'M GOING TO BE PAYING ALL THAT. AND SO NOW IT
10 COMES DOWN THAT NOW I'M GOING TO, YOU KNOW, LEARN TO BE AN
11 ADULT AND MAKE RESPONSIBLE CHOICES. AND THE COUNTY WILL BE
12 THERE TO ASSIST THEM WITH THE RESOURCES, THE CASE MANAGEMENT,
13 AND WILL ASSIST THEM TO, YOU KNOW, GATHER, GATHER THEMSELVES -

14 -

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

18
19 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 59C IS
20 BEFORE YOU.

21
22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. TO APPROVE THE ITEM,
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE ROLL.



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1 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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5 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

6

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

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9 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AYE.

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13 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

14

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

16

17 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES. WE WILL NOW
18 MOVE ON TO ITEMS 22 AND 62, COUNTY-CODE TITLE 5 PERSONNEL
19 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR
20 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY TO COMMENT ON THESE
21 ITEMS, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE IF YOU ARE ONLINE OR
22 PRESS *3 IF ON A TELEPHONE. THERE ARE NO DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS
23 REQUESTED FOR THIS ITEM. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
24 PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAS REQUESTED A
25 CONTINUANCE FOR THESE ITEMS TO DECEMBER 1, 2026.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW, BACK
5 IN MARCH I HELD THIS ITEM BECAUSE I HAD CONCERNS ABOUT THE
6 COUNTY'S PROPOSAL TO CHANGE CIVIL SERVICE RULES THAT WOULD
7 IMPACT SWORN PROBATION EMPLOYEES BEFORE GOING THROUGH THE MEET
8 AND CONFER PROCESS. DURING THAT PUBLIC HEARING, INSTEAD OF
9 APPROVING THE CHANGES, THIS BOARD DIRECTED OUR CEO TO MEET
10 WITH PROBATION LABOR REPRESENTATIVES TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED
11 CIVIL SERVICE RULE CHANGES BEFORE COMING BACK TO THE BOARD FOR
12 A VOTE. I UNDERSTAND THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW MEETINGS BETWEEN
13 OUR CEO'S OFFICE AND LABOR SINCE THEN. ONLY ONE, THOUGH. I
14 THINK, JOE, YOU SAID YOU'VE ONLY BEEN INVOLVED IN ONE MEETING
15 AND THAT AN AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN REACHED YET. BUT THIS
16 MORNING, I UNDERSTAND THAT EITHER LABOR REACHED OUT TO CEO OR
17 CEO REACHED OUT TO LABOR, AGREEING TO MAKE BEST EFFORTS TO
18 REACH A NEGOTIATED OUTCOME WITHIN 90 DAYS. AND I THINK THE
19 NEGOTIATION PROCESS IS IN PLACE FOR A REASON, AND THAT LABOR
20 HAS A RIGHT TO CONTINUE ENGAGING ON THE TERMS OF THESE CIVIL
21 SERVICE RULE CHANGES. I KNOW THE CEO TECHNICALLY HAS THE
22 AUTHORITY TO MAKE THESE PROPOSED CHANGES BEFORE MEET AND
23 CONFER BECAUSE OF THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION IN OUR JUVENILE
24 FACILITIES, BUT I'M CONCERNED THAT SKIRTING THE NORMAL LABOR
25 PROCESSES WILL LEAD TO MORE DISTRESS, MORE ANGER AND



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1 FRUSTRATION. AMONG OUR PROBATION EMPLOYEES AT A TIME WHEN I
2 THINK THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE DOING MORE TO WORK WITH THEIR
3 STAFF RATHER THAN AGAINST THEM. AND I THINK IT MAKES SENSE
4 THAT THE UNIONS ARE UPSET. MOST OF THESE PROPOSED CHANGES ARE
5 NOT SMALL. THEY INCLUDE THINGS LIKE INCREASING THE
6 PROBATIONARY PERIOD FOR NEW SWORN EMPLOYEES FROM ONE YEAR TO
7 TWO YEARS, WHICH GOES AGAINST THE STANDARD AND WOULD BE A
8 PRETTY BIG LEAP, OR ALLOWING HEARSAY TO BE USED DURING
9 EMPLOYEE INVESTIGATIONS, WHICH OUR UNIONS HAVE MAJOR
10 RESERVATIONS ABOUT. AND IN MY OPINION, THESE PROPOSED CHANGES
11 WOULD NOT ACTUALLY ADDRESS THE STAFFING CRISIS THAT LED TO THE
12 CREATION OF THIS EMERGENCY DECLARATION IN THE FIRST PLACE. IN
13 FACT, SOME SAY IT MIGHT MAKE RECRUITMENT WORSE. I KNOW THAT
14 OTHER LABOR UNIONS HAVE EXPRESSED GROWING CONCERNS ABOUT THE
15 COUNTY'S ABILITY TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND THEN USE THAT
16 EMERGENCY TO JUSTIFY CHANGES TO CIVIL SERVICE RULES THAT ARE
17 IN PLACE TO PROTECT THEM. I THINK APPROVING THESE CHANGES
18 WITHOUT MEET AND CONFER WOULD SET A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT, AND I
19 STILL HOLD OUT THAT WE MIGHT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE
20 EVERYBODY AT THE TABLE TO COME TO SOME AGREEMENT. AND LET ME
21 BE CLEAR, I'M FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF HOLDING PROBATION OFFICERS
22 WHO BEHAVE BADLY OR ABUSE YOUTH IN OUR FACILITIES ACCOUNTABLE.
23 THERE IS NO QUESTION, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT
24 PATHWAY TO GETTING TO THAT ACCOUNTABILITY. SO I APPRECIATE
25 JOE'S SUGGESTION THAT WE CONTINUE THIS UNTIL DECEMBER TO GIVE



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1 EVERYBODY ONE MORE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON COMING TO SOME
2 AGREEMENT. SO IF WE'RE GOING TO VOTE ON WHETHER OR NOT TO
3 CONTINUE IT, I CERTAINLY AM GOING TO VOTE TO CONTINUE IT.
4 YEAH, I MOVE THAT WE CONTINUE THIS UNTIL DECEMBER 1ST. DID YOU
5 SAY DECEMBER 1ST? DECEMBER 1ST. YEAH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I ALSO WANT TO CHIME IN. I KNOW THAT,
8 JOE, YESTERDAY IN YOUR WALKABOUTS, YOU TALKED ABOUT THIS AND
9 THE NEED TO MEET WITH OUR UNIONS, AND I KNOW I WAS PART OF
10 THAT DISCUSSION INITIALLY TO TRY TO HAVE MORE CONVERSATIONS.
11 IT DIDN'T GO AS WELL AS I THOUGHT IT WOULD. BUT NOW I'M
12 HEARING THAT THERE IS THE POTENTIAL FOR SOME RECONCILIATION.
13 AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL GET THAT UNDERWAY. AND I, THAT'S
14 WHY I WILL SUPPORT THIS. BUT I, TOO, STAND FIRM THAT I DO NOT
15 AGREE WITH ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR BY STAFF OR STUDENTS. AND I DO
16 AGREE THAT THERE HAS TO BE SOME REFORMS, DEFINITELY, AND
17 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THE UNION LEADERSHIP, I HOPE, WILL ALSO
18 RECOGNIZE. AND I KNOW THEY HAVE MADE OVERTURES TO AT LEAST
19 SOME OF US EXPLAINING THAT THEY DO NOT ALSO SUPPORT THAT KIND
20 OF CONDUCT. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT WE CAN FIND AGREEMENTS, AND
21 THAT BEING ONE, BUT THEN ALL THE OTHERS THAT I KNOW ARE, ARE
22 VERY IMPORTANT TO BOTH THE COUNTY AND TO AND TO OUR RESIDENTS,
23 AND ESPECIALLY, I THINK, TO OUR EMPLOYEES. SO I HOPE WE CAN
24 MOVE FORWARD. SO I'LL SECOND YOUR, YOUR ITEM. OKAY, SUPERVISOR
25 HORVATH, YOU'RE IN.



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2 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M GLAD OUR
3 CEO HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
4 RELEVANT PROBATION UNIONS FORWARD, BUT I'M DISAPPOINTED TO
5 HEAR A REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE. I OPPOSE THE REQUEST AND
6 BELIEVE WE SHOULD TAKE THE ITEM UP TODAY. IN THE MORE THAN 130
7 DAYS SINCE THIS FIRST APPEARED ON THE AGENDA, UNIONS HAVE MADE
8 ZERO EFFORT TO SUBSTANTIVELY COMPROMISE. TO BE CLEAR,
9 PROBATION'S BIGGEST CHALLENGES HAVE NOT BEEN RESOLVED, NOR
10 HAVE ANY SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS BEEN MADE BY OUR LABOR PARTNERS
11 TO RESOLVE THEM TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COUNTY. THIS IS A
12 DEPARTMENT WHOSE MISCONDUCT HAS CAUSED ROUGHLY \$4,000,000,000
13 AND COUNTING HARM TO THE COUNTY AND COUNTY RESIDENTS.
14 DEPARTMENT STAFF HOSTED GLADIATOR FIGHTS INJURING YOUTH WE
15 WERE SUPPOSED TO CARE FOR, AND STAFF HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR
16 BRINGING DRUGS INTO FACILITIES AS RECENTLY AS LAST WEEK. DOING
17 NOTHING, WAITING LONGER, PUTS THE YOUTH IN OUR CARE AT RISK
18 AND MISSES AN OPPORTUNITY TO COURSE CORRECT IN FAVOR OF THE
19 SAME SYSTEMIC FAILURES WE'VE SEEN FOR YEARS AND WHICH LEAD TO
20 UNPRECEDENTED \$1,000,000,000 SETTLEMENTS WE NOW FACE. IF WE'RE
21 GOING TO HAVE A ZERO-TOLERANCE ENVIRONMENT FOR MISCONDUCT
22 RELATING TO YOUTH IN OUR CARE, WE NEED TO BACK THAT UP WITH
23 ACTION. THE CHANGES PROPOSED HERE ARE TEMPORARY. THEY ONLY
24 APPLY TO PROBATION AND WILL BE SUBJECT OF MEET AND CONFER
25 EFFORTS WITH THE RELEVANT UNIONS. WE WILL NOT GET OUT OF THIS



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1 EMERGENCY UNLESS AND UNTIL WE RESOLVE THE CHALLENGES TARGETED
2 BY THESE TEMPORARY CHANGES: HOLDING STAFF ACCOUNTABLE,
3 REDUCING CALLOUTS AND REDUCING ABUSE OF OUR LEAVE SYSTEM, AND
4 GIVING THE DEPARTMENT THE TOOLS IT NEEDS TO DISCIPLINE STAFF
5 WHEN THEY FALL SHORT. THESE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CHANGES DO NOT
6 COME OUT OF THE BLUE. THEY COME AFTER YEARS OF INCENTIVES,
7 BONUSES FOR COMING TO WORK, HIRING BONUSES, TREMENDOUS
8 RECRUITMENT EFFORTS THAT OTHER DEPARTMENTS DID NOT GET, WHICH
9 STILL FAILED TO GET PEOPLE TO SHOW UP FOR THE JOBS THEY'RE
10 BEING PAID TO DO. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO ALLOW OUR YOUTH TO
11 LIVE IN EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES IN UNSUITABLE FACILITIES
12 WITHOUT ACTING WITH A SENSE OF URGENCY OURSELVES. SO FROM MY
13 VANTAGE POINT, I THINK WAITING, ESPECIALLY 90 DAYS, IS
14 UNACCEPTABLE. WE NEED TO MAKE CLEAR WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT
15 ADDRESSING THE EMERGENCY FACING OUR YOUTH JUSTICE SYSTEM BY
16 TAKING THESE CRITICAL STEPS NOW, NOT BY WAITING AGAIN, NOT BY
17 PASSING THE BUCK, BUT BY TAKING STEPS TO IMPROVE OUR SYSTEM
18 NOW.

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

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22 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. THIS REMINDS ME, I SAW A
23 DESK PLATE RECENTLY THAT I'M GOING TO GO HAVE ONE MADE FOR
24 MYSELF, AND IT SAYS, HARD WORK IS HARD. AND WHEN THIS CAME UP
25 PREVIOUSLY, I ASKED THE QUESTION THEN, I THINK, OF MY



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1 COLLEAGUES IF THERE WAS AN EXPECTATION, BECAUSE IT WAS
2 PRESENTED AS THEY HADN'T HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A
3 CONVERSATION, LET'S GIVE THEM TIME TO MEET. AND I ASKED THE
4 QUESTION THEN, IS THE EXPECTATION THERE BE AGREEMENT OR JUST
5 TIME TO MEET? AND WHAT I AM NOW HEARING IS THERE'S AN
6 EXPECTATION, OR THERE'S A CORE BELIEF EXPRESSED BY SUPERVISOR
7 HAHN, THAT CIVIL SERVICE RULE CHANGES SHOULD BE A PART OF MEET
8 AND CONFER. SO I GUESS REALLY MY QUESTION IS FOR COCO OR DHR,
9 WHOEVER FEELS MOST PREPARED TO ANSWER, THE CEO. I THINK I CAN
10 ANSWER THAT. IS IT YOUR OPINION THAT ANY CIVIL SERVICE RULE
11 CHANGE CAN ONLY BE MADE VIA NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT OR MEET AND
12 CONFER? THEY'RE MEETING AND CONFERRING FOR THE ANSWER.

13
14 **EDUARDO MONTELONGO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MS. EDUARDO MONTELONGO
15 WITH THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL. SO, TO ANSWER YOUR
16 QUESTION, IT CAN BE IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE STATUTE THAT
17 GOVERNS LABOR RELATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY ALLOWS UNDER
18 EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES TO IMPOSE THE ACTION FIRST AND THEN
19 MEET AND CONFER. THE TRADITIONAL ROAD FOR AMENDING CIVIL
20 SERVICE RULES ENVISION A MEET AND CONFER BEFOREHAND. BUT THAT
21 IS NOT THE ONLY CIRCUMSTANCE UNDER WHICH IT CAN BE CHANGED. SO
22 UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE CAN IMPOSE FIRST AND NEGOTIATE
23 LATER.

24
25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** SO, I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH ALL OF THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 VERY STRONG STATEMENTS YOU MADE, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. THIS IS A
2 KICK THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD EXAMPLE. I ALSO SEE THAT WE ARE A
3 MEMBER OF FOUR SITTING HERE TODAY. AND SO I DON'T KNOW THAT WE
4 COULD ACTUALLY MOVE AN ACTION TO MOVE FORWARD BASED ON WHAT I
5 ASSUME, BASED ON COMMENTS I'VE HEARD FROM MY COLLEAGUES. SO IT
6 FEELS TO ME THAT WE DON'T HAVE AN OPTION BUT TO SUPPORT WHAT
7 HAS BEEN ASKED BY THE CEO, DHR, AND COUNTY COUNSEL. I WOULD
8 SAY THIS. I HOPE THAT EVERYONE WITHIN THE SOUND OF OUR VOICES,
9 INCLUDING LABOR, WHO I DON'T KNOW IS REPRESENTED TODAY, HEARS
10 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S IRRITATION. CAN I SAY IRRITATION? IS THAT
11 FAIR? ECHOED BY MINE, ECHOED BY, I'M SURE, MEMBERS OF THE
12 PUBLIC WHO ARE TRACKING VERY CLOSELY WHAT WE SPEND, THE
13 EXPERIENCE OF OUR YOUTH WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION, YOU KNOW,
14 ALL OF THE THINGS. AND SO I CERTAINLY WILL NOT SUPPORT ANOTHER
15 EXTENSION. I CERTAINLY HOPE DECEMBER 1ST IS IT. AND WHETHER
16 AGREEMENTS WERE REACHED VIA MEET AND CONFER OR NOT, IT IS
17 CLEAR BASED ON THE RESPONSE THAT WE HAVE THE POWER. I THINK
18 THAT'S AS A BOARD TO CHANGE CIVIL SERVICE RULES IN THESE
19 CIRCUMSTANCES AS WE DEEM APPROPRIATE AND FIT. AND I WILL
20 CERTAINLY BE LOOKING FORWARD TO A DECEMBER 1ST MEETING WHEN
21 THAT ACTION CAN BE TAKEN IF AGREEMENTS AREN'T REACHED. MR.
22 CEO, I SEE YOU TURNED ON YOUR MIC. WERE YOU GOING TO COMMENT?

23
24 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH, IF I COULD. I JUST WANT TO GO BACK
25 TO THAT MARCH MEETING, AND IF YOU RECALL, THE RECOMMENDATION



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SUPERVISORS

1 AT THE TIME WAS TO, YOU KNOW, IMPOSE THESE. HOW MR. MONTELONGO
2 SAID IT, IMPOSE NOW AND NEGOTIATE LATER. WE WERE SENT BACK TO
3 HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE UNIONS THAT WERE IMPACTED, AND
4 THERE ARE A LOT OF UNION CONCERNS. I MEAN, THEY'VE RAISED A
5 LOT OF CONCERNS. ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT THEY'VE RAISED
6 REPEATEDLY IS THE LEGALITY OF OUR ABILITY TO DO THIS. NOW, WE
7 THINK WE CAN DO IT. THEY THINK WE CAN'T. SO THOSE DISCUSSIONS
8 NEVER REALLY GOT OFF THE GROUND. OKAY? WE HAD LOTS OF
9 MEETINGS, BUT THERE WAS NO REAL MOVEMENT IN EITHER DIRECTION
10 ABOUT WHAT WE WANTED TO DO, YOU KNOW, MOVING TOWARDS SOME SORT
11 OF SEMBLANCE OF, OKAY, WE AGREE ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE
12 FORWARD. NOW, AT THE TIME, WE WERE NOT INSTRUCTED TO DO THAT.
13 WE WERE INSTRUCTED TO MEET WITH THEM ABOUT OUR INTENTIONS
14 BEHIND THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES. I HAD A MEETING WITH
15 LEADERSHIP. THERE WERE FOUR MEETINGS WITH THE UNIONS BY MY
16 TEAM. WHAT THE RECOMMENDATION THAT I PUT ON THE TABLE THIS
17 MORNING IS BASED ON A CONVERSATION WE HAD LAST NIGHT WITH
18 LABOR, WHICH WAS, ARE YOU WILLING TO PUT A TIMELINE TO
19 DISCUSSIONS THAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE NEGOTIATIONS OVER THIS
20 LANGUAGE WITH THE FRAMING OF BEST EFFORTS AND COME BACK TO THE
21 BOARD WITH SOMETHING THAT WE COULD PUT ACROSS AS A NEGOTIATED
22 OUTCOME. THERE'S NO GUARANTEES THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE.
23 NOW, OUR POSITION IS STILL THAT THESE RULES ARE APPROPRIATE.
24 WE'RE STILL RECOMMENDING, WE'RE NOT BACKING OFF OF OUR
25 RECOMMENDATION TO IMPOSE THEM. I THINK WHAT I'M REACTING TO IS



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMENTS I'VE HEARD, STATEMENTS MADE BY THE BOARD,
2 CONVERSATIONS WE'VE HAD ABOUT THE DESIRE TO HAVE AN
3 OPPORTUNITY FOR LABOR TO ACTUALLY AGREE TO SOMETHING THROUGH A
4 MEET AND CONFER PROCESS. BUT AGAIN, WE CAN DO THAT. THEY'VE
5 SAID THEY'RE WILLING TO DO THAT. SO THAT IS THE BASIS FOR THE
6 CONTINUANCE REQUEST. BUT AGAIN, IF NOTHING HAPPENS, IF WE'RE
7 NOT THERE, WE ARE NOT BACKING OFF OF OUR RECOMMENDATION AT
8 THIS POINT TO IMPOSE WHAT WE FEEL ARE VERY IMPORTANT REFORMS
9 NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT.

10
11 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, AND SO LET'S JUST WALK BACK
12 THROUGH THAT. THIS CONVERSATION WAS HAD IN MARCH. I WAS
13 PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION IN MARCH. THIS IS NOW
14 AUGUST. AS YOU SAID, IT WAS YOUR UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WAS THE
15 EXPECTATION OF THE BOARD, THE ASK OF THE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD WAS TO MEET. SO THIS NEXT 90 DAYS, IT IS A DIFFERENT
17 EXPECTATION. IT IS NOT TO JUST MEET, TO SHARE SPACE, BUT IT IS
18 AN EFFORT TO COME TO AGREEMENT. AND IF YOU FAIL TO COME TO
19 AGREEMENT, OR IF YOU COME TO PARTIAL AGREEMENT, IT'D BE GREAT
20 IF THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT COME OFF THE TABLE. YOU WILL
21 COME BACK DECEMBER 1ST WITH A RECOMMENDATION.

22
23 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YES.

24
25 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** OKAY, THAT FEELS A LITTLE MORE



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SUPERVISORS

1 CONCRETE TO ME THAN THE MARCH CONVERSATION, AND I HOPE LABOR
2 UNDERSTANDS THAT AS WELL, AND THAT I CERTAINLY WILL NOT BE
3 SUPPORTING ANOTHER CONTINUANCE.

4

5 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** OKAY,

6

7 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** BECAUSE NOW THE CONVERSATIONS HAVE
8 BRIDGED FROM MARCH TO DECEMBER. LET'S BE REAL CLEAR.

9

10 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** AND IF I CAN ADD JUST ONE OTHER THING,

11

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

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14 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** THIS IS REALLY FOR A DISCUSSION, WHICH IS
15 THE 90 DAYS. THERE'S NO MAGIC TO THOSE 90 DAYS. IT CAN BE 60
16 DAYS. WHAT WE NEED IS THE COOPERATION TO SIT DOWN AND HAVE
17 THESE DISCUSSIONS. RIGHT NOW WE'RE MEETING ONCE A MONTH. WE
18 NEED TO MEET WEEKLY. IT'S A 12-PAGE ORDINANCE. I KNOW THERE'S
19 A LOT IN THERE, BUT IT'S NOT AN EXTENSIVE OVERHAUL OF THE
20 CIVIL SERVICE RULES. IF WE CAN GET DONE IN 60 DAYS, IF THE
21 BOARD PREFERS A 60-DAY TIMELINE SO WE COME IN MORE QUICKLY, WE
22 CAN DISCUSS THAT WITH OUR UNION PARTNERS AND SEE IF THAT'S
23 SOMETHING WE CAN AGREE UPON. I THINK, I DON'T SEE WHY WE CAN'T
24 GET IT DONE IN 60 DAYS. I'LL JUST SAY IT FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE.
25 WE HAVEN'T ADDRESSED THAT WITH THEM. BUT THAT'S ANOTHER



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SUPERVISORS

1 OPTION, IS IF 90 DAYS SEEMS TOO LONG, WE CAN GO THROUGH THE
2 SAME PROCESS IN A MORE TRUNCATED TIMELINE.

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4 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** WELL, I THINK MOST IMPORTANTLY, I'M
5 SURE THEY'RE LISTENING AND WILL NOT HAVE MY SUPPORT FOR
6 ANOTHER CONTINUANCE. THE COMMITMENT IS TO MEET. WE DON'T HAVE,
7 IT DOES NOT, IN MY HUMBLE OPINION, HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED. I
8 HAVE HEARD FROM COUNTY COUNSEL THAT WE HAVE THE POWER TO TAKE
9 ACTION. WE CERTAINLY ARE CLEAR ABOUT ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES
10 AROUND WHY WE ARE EVEN CONSIDERING CIVIL SERVICE RULE CHANGES,
11 GIVEN ALL THE STEPS THAT WE HAVE TAKEN TO COURSE CORRECT THE
12 CULTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT. AND SO THANK YOU FOR THE
13 CLARIFICATION.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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17 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M CLEAR
18 THAT THERE ARE THREE VOTES FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAN I
19 ASKED FOR. I JUST WANT TO MAKE TWO CLARIFICATIONS. WE COULD
20 CONVENE AS FIVE BEFORE DECEMBER 1ST IF WE WANTED TO TAKE THIS
21 UP SOON. I WOULD ALSO SAY DECEMBER 1ST IS 120 DAYS. NINETY
22 DAYS IS SOONER THAN THAT. SO WE'VE SAID 90 DAYS AND SAID
23 DECEMBER 1ST AT THE SAME TIME, AND THOSE TWO THINGS ARE NOT
24 THE SAME. SO I JUST WOULD LIKE CLARITY IF THERE'S GOING TO BE
25 A MOTION TO CONTINUE THAT LONG, WHICH IT IS.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** BUT THE CAVEAT COULD BE IF THERE IS
3 CONCURRENCE THAT PERHAPS OUR CEO WILL BRING THIS FORWARD? IS
4 THAT ALSO, I MEAN, IF YOU'RE FINDING THAT YOU'RE GOING TO
5 RESOLVE THINGS SOONER, YOU CAN ALWAYS COME BACK TO US SOONER,
6 RIGHT? YOU SAID THAT RIGHT?

7

8 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH, WE COULD CERTAINLY DO THAT. I THINK
9 JUST THE, THE 90 DAYS WAS 90 DAYS TO HAVE THE MEETINGS, AND
10 THEN THERE WOULD BE A REPORT OUT, AND THEN WE'D COME BACK TO
11 THE BOARD ON DECEMBER 1ST. NOW WE CAN SNAP THAT TO A 90-DAY
12 DEADLINE COME BACK EARLY NOVEMBER, AND THAT'S FINE TOO. LIKE I
13 SAID, THERE'S NO MAGIC TO THE 90 DAYS, AND I THINK MOVING THIS
14 ALONG IS BENEFICIAL. SO IF, IF WE FEEL LIKE COMING BACK IN
15 EARLY NOVEMBER IS BETTER, THEN WE CAN DO THAT AS WELL.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH, OKAY. SO WE'LL NEED TO CHANGE,
18 WE'LL NEED TO CHANGE THAT LANGUAGE THEN?

19

20 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO, I DON'T THINK, MADAM CHAIR, JUST FOR A
21 POINT OF CLARIFICATION, I DON'T THINK WE CHANGE IT. I THINK
22 WHAT HE SAID IS OBVIOUSLY YOU COULD COME BACK EARLIER, BUT
23 AGAIN, I THINK YOU HAVE ALREADY HAD A CONVERSATION WITH YOUR
24 UNION FRIENDS THAT DECEMBER 1ST WOULD BE WHEN YOU WOULD BRING
25 IT BACK. IS THAT CORRECT, JOE?



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2 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** YEAH, WE --

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WHAT DID YOU AND YOUR UNION PARTNERS.

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6 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** NINETY DAYS TO HAVE THE DISCUSSIONS.

7 NINETY DAYS TO REACH, BEST EFFORTS TO REACH AN AGREEMENT.

8 CONTINUANCE TO DECEMBER 1ST IS WHAT I RECOMMENDED.

9

10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH, AGAIN, I THINK WE SHOULD STICK WITH

11 WHAT YOU'VE ALREADY AGREED TO. AND THEN OBVIOUSLY IF YOU COME

12 TO AN AGREEMENT EARLIER, YOU CAN CERTAINLY BRING IT BACK.

13

14 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** THE ORDINANCE COMES FROM OUR OFFICE, FROM

15 COUNTY COUNSEL. SO WE WOULD NEED FURTHER DIRECTION FROM THE

16 BOARD TO BRING IT BACK SOONER THAN DECEMBER 1ST. SO WE WOULD

17 NEED A MOTION.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PUT IN THE LANGUAGE, YEAH, THAT WE

20 WILL ALLOW FOR, IF THERE IS CONCURRENCE, TO BE THIS ITEM TO BE

21 BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD BEFORE DECEMBER 1ST. GO AHEAD,

22 INTERPRET IT.

23

24 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** WE WOULD NEED A LATER MOTION FROM THE

25 BOARD TO BRING IT BACK SOONER.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** HE'S ALREADY SAID DECEMBER 1ST. THAT WAS MY
3 MOTION, WAS TO, I DON'T KNOW, COULD WE, DOES THAT,

4

5 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** YES, THAT WOULD BE FINE.

6

7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1ST.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT, INCLUDING MY—

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, MY QUESTION TO JOE WOULD BE,
12 YOU SAID THESE ARE YOUR RULES, THIS IS WHAT YOU INTEND TO
13 IMPOSE. AND YOU'RE KIND OF TAKING THE STANCE THAT YOU WANT
14 THEM TO JUST AGREE TO IT. IS THERE, ARE YOU SEEING ANY
15 OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET AND CONFER? TO ME, IS MAYBE AGREE TO
16 SOME, MAYBE CHANGE SOME OTHERS, MAYBE WILLING TO COME, YOU
17 KNOW, GO SO FAR, BUT NOT, IS THERE ROOM FOR THAT, OR IS JUST
18 IT'S AGREE TO THESE OR NOTHING?

19

20 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** OUR GOAL IN THE 90 DAYS WORKING WITH THE
21 DEPARTMENT IS TO REACH AN AGREEMENT ON THE SCOPE OF THESE
22 CHANGES. AND I FEEL LIKE THERE'S PROBABLY SOME ROOM WHERE THE
23 UNIONS WOULD SAY OKAY, AND THERE'S SOME ROOM WHERE THE UNIONS
24 WOULD SAY NOT OKAY, AND THEN WE'D HAVE TO CONSIDER WHETHER
25 THAT GOES FAR ENOUGH.



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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY.

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4 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** AND BRING SOMETHING BACK TO THE BOARD. SO
5 IT'S NOT, THIS IS NOT PERFORMATIVE, IT'S NOT PERFUNCTORY. WE
6 WANT TO REACH AN AGREEMENT IN THE 90 DAYS. IF WE DON'T, OR WE
7 DON'T MAKE SUFFICIENT PROGRESS, I'M LEAVING OPEN THE
8 POSSIBILITY THAT WE WOULD COME BACK WITH THE SAME
9 RECOMMENDATIONS WE HAVE TODAY.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. AND ALSO MY WISH WOULD, I KNOW YOU
12 HAVE A NEGOTIATING TEAM, BUT I THINK WHEN YOU SAID YOU HAD
13 ONLY PERSONALLY MET ONCE, I MEAN, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO
14 ALSO BE THERE BECAUSE I DO THINK YOU HAVE A DEMEANOR, A STYLE
15 THAT I THINK IS USEFUL AND VALUABLE. IN THE, HE'S LIKABLE IN
16 THESE KINDS OF SITUATIONS. SO I WOULDN'T LEAVE IT JUST UP TO
17 MY NEGOTIATING TEAM. I THINK MY EXPECTATION IS THAT YOU WOULD
18 BE IN THESE MEETINGS.

19

20 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** IF I COULD RESPOND TO THAT, I WOULD, MY
21 COMMITMENT THAT I CAN MAKE IS I WOULD ATTEND THE MEETINGS
22 WHERE I THINK STRATEGICALLY MY ATTENDANCE WOULD ADD VALUE.
23 THERE ARE LOTS OF THESE MEETINGS. I DON'T THINK MY ATTENDANCE
24 ADDS VALUE AT ALL OF THEM.

25



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I DON'T KNOW.

2

3 **JOSEPH M. NICCHITTA:** BUT I WILL DEFINITELY MAKE AN EFFORT TO
4 ATTEND THOSE WHERE I THINK I CAN MOVE THE NEEDLE.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BECAUSE, I MEAN, I THINK YOU'RE VALUABLE IN
7 HOW YOU APPROACH PEOPLE, IN MY OPINION. SO, AND AGAIN, I, YOU
8 KNOW, I'M GOING TO— I STILL DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE OF THESE
9 CIVIL SERVICE CHANGES ACTUALLY GETS US TO MAKING PEOPLE SHOW
10 UP TO WORK. I DON'T SEE ANY OF THEM THAT ACTUALLY SPEAK TO
11 THAT. SO, BUT THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. SO LET'S MOVE ON.
14 AND OKAY, SO --

15

16 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE A MOTION
17 BEFORE YOU. THE MOTION IS TO CONTINUE THIS ITEMS 22 AND 62 TO
18 A DATE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1ST.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO WE HAVE --

21

22 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** THAT IS THE MOTION BROUGHT BY
23 SUPERVISOR HAHN. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

24

25 **THOMAS J. FAUGHNAN:** WE NEED PUBLIC COMMENT.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

3

4 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** YES.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PUBLIC COMMENT.

7

8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** OKAY, WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
9 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CARLY ALBA, CLAUDIA
10 JEREZ, AND COOKIE LOMMEL. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323, LAST
11 TWO DIGITS 06, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
12 BEGIN. CALLER, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN. OKAY. CALLER
13 WITH PHONE NUMBER 323, LAST TWO DIGITS 60. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.
14 PLEASE BEGIN.

15

16 **SHANE O'QUINN:** HELLO, MY NAME IS SHANAE O'QUINN. I AM A DPO 2
17 FIELD OFFICER. I AM REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD CONTINUE THIS
18 ITEM AS MY UNION IS IN ONGOING COMMUNICATION AND MEETING WITH
19 THE BOARD AND CIVIL SERVICE, AND THAT THIS ITEM HAS NOTHING TO
20 DO WITH STAFFING IMPROVEMENTS. IN FACT, MS. HAHN BROUGHT UP
21 GREAT POINTS THAT IT WILL HINDER THE DEPARTMENT EVEN FURTHER.
22 GOOD FAITH NEGOTIATIONS NEED TO CONTINUE, AND I'M REQUESTING
23 THAT EVERYONE ELSE ON THE BOARD PLEASE CONSIDER TO TAKE THIS
24 MATTER ON WITHIN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. AND STAFF THAT ARE THE
25 PROBATION DEPARTMENT ARE NEED TO BE POURED INTO INSTEAD OF



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1 FEELING LIKE THEY'RE BEING, THEY'RE PUNITIVE TO RESOLVE THE
2 STAFFING ISSUE. THIS ITEM NEEDS FURTHER NEGOTIATION. I'M
3 ASKING THAT THE REST OF THE BOARD PLEASE CONSIDER TO TAKE IT
4 INTO CONSIDERATION, AS THE FILLER \$1,000,000,000 LAWSUIT WAS
5 JUST NOT PROBATION DEPARTMENT, IT INCLUDED OTHER DEPARTMENTS
6 THAT ARE NEVER MENTIONED, WHICH WAS DCFS AND PARK WORK.

7

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

10

11 **HELEN EIGENBERG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. HELEN EIGENBERG, RESIDENT OF
12 SD 3. I WANT TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF IRRITATION HERE. I
13 COMPLETELY OPPOSE THIS REQUEST. I'M GOING TO SAY TO ALL OF
14 YOU, IF THESE WERE YOUR KIDS IN THESE FACILITIES, YOU WOULD
15 HAVE GOTTEN TOGETHER AND MADE A DECISION AND MADE THE CHANGES
16 THAT ARE NECESSARY. LET ME REMIND YOU THAT TWO PROBATION
17 OFFICERS WERE ARRESTED LAST WEEK. WE ARE CURRENTLY PAYING OUT
18 FROM THREE DIFFERENT LAWSUITS RIGHTLY SO, TO THESE KIDS THAT
19 ARE BEING PAID OUT NOW. THIS IS JUST UNACCEPTABLE. I'M GOING
20 TO ASK YOU ALL TO RECONVENE AS 5, AND PLEASE, WE NEED TO GET
21 ON THIS. YOU'VE BEEN GIVEN 130 DAYS AND NOW YOU WANT 120. THIS
22 IS UNACCEPTABLE. THANK YOU.

23

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



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2 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YES, FOLKS, AND I'LL TELL YOU, THIS IS
3 APPALLING. I CAN'T EVEN BELIEVE IT. AND I WONDER SOMETIMES IF
4 WE HAD SOME MEN ON THE BOARD WOULD THINGS MOVE ANY BETTER?
5 THIS IS 2026 AND THIS GARBAGE IS GOING ON. AND OF COURSE, YOU
6 KNOW, WE DON'T WANT TO SEND ANYBODY TO JAIL. THAT WOULD BE SO
7 CRUEL AND INHUMANE. YOU, YOU, DEMON. I KNOW I GOT TO STOP
8 BECAUSE I'M JUST ABOUT TO LOSE IT OVER THE INSANITY THAT YOU
9 ALL HAVE BROUGHT TO THIS. MY GOD.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
12 LAST TWO DIGITS 06, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **MEL BAILEY:** OH YEAH, GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS MEL BAILEY,
15 DISTRICT 2. THREE THINGS. ONE, WHEN YOU'RE IDENTIFYING LABOR,
16 IS IT POSSIBLE, I'M NOT SURE IF YOU CAN, BUT CAN YOU IDENTIFY
17 WHICH LABORERS? BECAUSE THERE'S THREE DIFFERENT LABOR UNIONS
18 THAT ARE AFFECTED BY THIS, AND SOMETIMES I HEAR YOU USE LABOR
19 SINGULARLY. SECONDLY, I KNOW THAT THE CONVERSATION WAS YOU
20 KNOW, GOING BACK TO MARCH. HOWEVER, KEEP IN MIND THERE WAS A
21 PREVIOUS DECISION THAT WAS RENDERED BY THIS BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS THAT WAS ACTUALLY IN ERROR AS IT RELATES TO MONIES
23 FOR ABUSE CASES THAT, YOU KNOW, LATER ON IDENTIFIED AS NOT
24 BEING ACCURATE. AND THEN LASTLY, IT STILL SEEMS A LITTLE
25 INAPPROPRIATE, ALTHOUGH I DID LOOK UP THE CIVIL SERVICE CODE



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1 2303, BUT IT SEEMS SLIGHTLY INAPPROPRIATE TO TARGET ONE
2 PARTICULAR DEPARTMENT. AND I JUST HOPE WE CAN ALL WORK
3 TOGETHER TO GET THIS DONE. THANK YOU AND HAVE A BLESSED DAY.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 510,
6 LAST TWO DIGITS 76, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **OLIVIA SHEILDS:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS OLIVIA SHIELDS
9 WITH URBAN PEACE INSTITUTE. I WANT TO UPLIFT THE COMMENTS MADE
10 BY MY COLLEAGUE HELEN EICHENBERG. THE EXPERIENCES THAT YOUNG
11 PEOPLE ARE HAVING INSIDE THESE FACILITIES HAVE BEEN AND
12 CONTINUE TO BE ABSOLUTELY EGREGIOUS, AND ANY AND ALL MEASURES
13 OF ACCOUNTABILITY THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT STAFF THAT
14 ARE NOT DOING WHAT THEY NEED TO BE DOING AND CARING FOR YOUNG
15 PEOPLE, WHICH IS WHAT THEY ARE CHARGED TO DO, ARE BEING HELD
16 ACCOUNTABLE NEEDS TO HAPPEN. A DELAY IS NOT GOING TO MAKE
17 ANYTHING BETTER, AND IT'S NOT GOING TO ADDRESS THE LEVEL OF
18 URGENCY THAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE EXPERIENCING ON A DAY-TO-DAY
19 BASIS. AND AS SOMEONE WHO GOES IN CONSISTENTLY, I FEEL IT'S
20 IMPORTANT TO BE OF WHICH THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THIS MOMENT WHO
21 ARE HAVING TO EXPERIENCE THESE ON A REGULAR BASIS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
24 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. REMOTE PARTICIPATION FOR
25 THIS ITEM IS CONCLUDED. WE WILL GO TO OUR IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.



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1 PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **CARLY ALBA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
4 BOARD. MY NAME IS CARLY ALBA, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL
5 SUPERVISING DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICERS WITH TEAMSTERS LOCAL
6 986. WHILE WE STAND IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED CIVIL
7 SERVICE RULES CHANGES IN AGENDA ITEM 22, WE WANT TO THANK THE
8 BOARD SINCERELY FOR THE CONTINUANCE TODAY. WE SHARE THE
9 BOARD'S DEEP COMMITMENT TO THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE
10 YOUTH IN OUR CARE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH THE CEO AND
11 WORKING IN GOOD FAITH TO COME TO MEANINGFUL COLLABORATIVE
12 SOLUTIONS THAT ADDRESS THE OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES WITHOUT
13 COMPROMISING WORKFORCE QUALITY OR SAFETY. OUR MEMBERS CARE
14 DEEPLY ABOUT THIS DEPARTMENT, AND WE ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO
15 BEING A PART OF THE SOLUTION. THANK YOU.

16

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

18

19 **COOKIE LOMMEL:** MY NAME IS COOKIE LOMMELL. I'M WITH AFSCME
20 LOCAL 685, THE PROBATION OFFICERS UNION. THE UNIONS ARE
21 CONTINUING TO MEET IN GOOD FAITH TO RESOLVE ALL THE ISSUES
22 THAT UNDERLIE THIS MOTION. WE HAVE BEEN NOTHING BUT GOOD
23 PARTNERS WITH THE CEO'S OFFICE AND IT IS IN POOR FAITH TO MOVE
24 FORWARD UNDER THE CLOAK OF STAFFING EMERGENCY WHEN NOTHING IN
25 THIS MOTION EVEN ATTEMPTS TO RESOLVE THE STAFFING CRISIS. I



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1 URGE YOU TO ALLOW OUR GOOD FAITH NEGOTIATIONS TO MOVE FORWARD
2 BY CONTINUING THIS MOTION FOR THREE MONTHS. THANK YOU VERY
3 MUCH.

4

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

7

8 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, THE ITEMS BEFORE
9 YOU, ITEM 22 AND 62, THE MOTION IS TO CONTINUE THESE ITEMS FOR
10 NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2026. MOTION BY JANICE HAHN,
11 SECONDED BY HILDA SOLIS. OKAY.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** CALL THE ROLL.

14

15 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

16

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

18

19 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

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

22

23 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** NO. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YES.



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2 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** YES. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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

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6 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MOTION PASSES 3 TO 1.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S IT.

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10 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, IT IS MY
11 UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIALS, SO WE CAN MOVE ON TO
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. LET'S GO TO PUBLIC
15 COMMENT. WE HAVE PEOPLE IN THE QUEUE. YOU HAVE TO READ THE
16 INSTRUCTIONS.

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18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. CAROLYN CALDWELL, BARBARA
20 OLSON, JACK FUSTON, SOPHIA QUINONES, ANNA DIAZ, CLAUDIA JEREZ,
21 ELISEO HERNANDEZ, LORENZO GOMEZ, BRIAN SMOLSKI, DR. IVY
22 HILTON-PRIESTES, YESENIA PUM, MORGAN WHITE, ALMA MARQUEZ,
23 MARIA MORALES, SYLVIA CORONA, AND JUAN CANIL. CALLER WITH
24 PHONE NUMBER 862, LAST 2 DIGITS 10, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
25 BEGIN.



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2 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, CAN Y'ALL HEAR ME? HELLO.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, GO AHEAD.

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6 **TELEPHONE SPEAKER:** HI, SO I'M ACTUALLY CALLING IN ABOUT THE
7 CATALINA ISLAND CULLING, ALSO KNOWN AS THE SYSTEMATIC MURDER
8 OF ALL THE DEER ON THAT ISLAND. WE PUT THEM THERE, SO
9 OBVIOUSLY WE SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM. BUT JUST BECAUSE
10 SOMETHING'S INCONVENIENT DOESN'T MEAN YOU JUST MURDER ALL THE
11 LIFE FORMS INVOLVED. ANOTHER THING THAT'S NOT GOOD FOR THE
12 ENVIRONMENT I KEEP HEARING THINGS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT,
13 WHATEVER, IS THE BAY THAT'S THERE. I MEAN, YOU HAVE ALL THESE
14 BOATS AND STUFF ALMOST PERMANENTLY DOCKED. WHAT ABOUT ALL THE
15 HOTELS, THE RESTAURANTS? IMAGINE ALL THE WASTE THAT COMES FROM
16 THERE, NEVER MIND ALL THE HELICOPTER TRIPS TO FLY PEOPLE BACK
17 AND FORTH BECAUSE OF TRAUMA CARE ISSUES. I HEAR YOU GUYS ARE
18 THINKING ABOUT CLOSING DOWN A HOSPITAL ON THE ISLAND. WE DON'T
19 JUST MURDER A BUNCH OF LIFE FORMS BECAUSE IT'S INCONVENIENT,
20 AND THE SYSTEMATIC MURDER OF ALL THE DEER NORMALIZES IT SO WE
21 COULD DO THE SAME THING TO PEOPLE --

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ROY HUMPHREYS, YOUR LINE IS
24 OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

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1 **ROY HUMPHREYS:** YEAH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REMINDS ME OF GOVERNOR
2 WALLACE, RACISM NOW, TOMORROW, AND FOREVER, WHICH IS A
3 HISTORICAL FACT, BY THE WAY. IN THE EFFORT TO HELP ALL RACE-
4 BAITERS, I HAVE SENT A BOOK COVER COPY BY RICK RUSH TITLED
5 NEGROPHILIA AND A BLACK VIDEO SHORT TITLED BLACK WOMEN KILLED
6 THE BLACK FAMILY. YOU CHECK IT OUT, IT'S VERY INFORMATIVE.
7 REMEMBER, JESSE PETERSON STILL LOVES YOU. TALK TO HIM ABOUT
8 REPARATIONS. AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, START YOUR ENGLISH
9 EMPOWERING ASSIMILATION COURSES FOR ALL IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
10 LATINOS. IT'D BE, IT'S A GREAT DEAL TO BREAK THE CHAINS OF
11 ENSLAVEMENT. RACISM IS GOOD. ACCORDING TO NEGROPHILIA AND
12 NAACP. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. KEEP ON RACE-BAITING, WE NEED IT.

13
14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** LUCAS JOHNSON, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE
15 BEGIN.

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17 **LUCAS JOHNSON:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS LUCAS JOHNSON,
18 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE EDUCATION JUSTICE COALITION. LAST
19 NOVEMBER, THIS BOARD UNANIMOUSLY DIRECTED LACOE AND COUNTY
20 PARTNERS TO ADDRESS L.A. COUNTY'S LONG-STANDING FAILURE TO
21 EDUCATE INCARCERATED YOUTH. THE MOTION REQUIRED WRITTEN REPORT
22 BACKS DIRECTLY TO THIS BOARD ON SUSPENSIONS AND CHRONIC
23 ABSENTEEISM, IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EJAC'S 18 RECOMMENDATIONS,
24 AND THE SCHOOL-TO-PRISON NEXUS. THOSE DEADLINES PASSED MONTHS
25 AGO, YET LACOE HAS PROVIDED NO REQUIRED REPORT BACKS DIRECTLY



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1 TO THE BOARD, AND THE PUBLIC STILL LACKS A TRANSPARENT
2 TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION. WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED THAT THE
3 OPPORTUNITY ROOMS MAY REMOVE STUDENTS FROM CLASS WITHOUT BEING
4 COUNTED SUSPENSIONS. WE ASK THE BOARD TO MAINTAIN CLEAR PUBLIC
5 DEADLINES. ASK HAS THE POWER. IF WE ASK, WILL YOU USE IT?
6 THANK YOU.

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8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. CALLER WITH PHONE NUMBER 323,
9 LAST TWO DIGITS 05. YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME
10 AND BEGIN.

11

12 **SOPHIA QUINONES:** SOPHIA QUIÑONES. I'M ASKING FOR SUPERVISOR
13 SOLIS IF WE COULD HAVE A TOWN HALL WITH ALL OUR AGENCIES
14 REGARDING, YOU KNOW, THE OIL SPILL AND THE FIRE. I BELIEVE YOU
15 KNOW, HOW THE CITY RESPONDED WAS VERY WRONG. I ATTENDED THOSE
16 MEETINGS WITH LINEAGE, AND PEOPLE AT THOSE MEETINGS WEREN'T
17 QUALIFIED. THEY WEREN'T ASKING THE RIGHT QUESTIONS. AND WE
18 NEED OUR AGENCIES AND PEOPLE WITH EXPERTISE TO HOLD LINEAGE
19 ACCOUNTABLE FOR ITS CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR. AND ALSO BECAUSE THIS
20 IS A FIRST-OF-A-KIND CATASTROPHE, AND THE CURRENT LAWS ON THE
21 BOOKS BEING APPLIED ISN'T, IT DOESN'T APPLY TO THIS TYPE OF
22 CATASTROPHE. AND SO WHEN AGENCIES WERE ON THE GROUND, I WILL
23 TESTIFY TO THAT TOMORROW AT THE AQMD, CLOSE MY CASE BECAUSE
24 HOW THEY WERE LOOKING AT THINGS ON THE GROUND DIDN'T APPLY.
25 AND I THINK WE NEED TO TALK, AND WE AND OUR AGENCIES NEED TO



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1 SHARE WITH THE PUBLIC WHAT'S GOING ON. ALL WE WANT IS
2 INFORMATION. PARENTS ARE SCARED.

3

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

8

9 **CLAUDIA JEREZ:** CLAUDIA JEREZ, DPSS DWC. OKAY, SO ABUSES SHOULD
10 BE ADDRESSED IMMEDIATELY, AND I'M SURE YOU'RE DOING IT. SO
11 CASE MANAGEMENT IS A SUPPORTIVE SERVICE TO PROVIDE RESOURCE
12 SUPPORT AND PROVIDE OPTIONS. MANY TIMES IT BECOMES, MANY TIMES
13 ALSO YOU PROVIDE GUIDANCE. PEOPLE RESPOND WELL IF YOU KNOW HOW
14 TO DO IT WELL. IF YOU KNOW HOW TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE WELL,
15 PEOPLE RESPOND VERY, VERY, VERY EFFECTIVELY THE WAY. OKAY.
16 PEOPLE RESPOND TO OPTIONS, CHOICES. GIVE THEM, OKAY. SO PEOPLE
17 RESPOND TO CHOICES AND TO THEIR LIVES. VERY EFFECTIVE. IT'S
18 VERY EFFECTIVE. SOME OF THE --

19

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

21

22 **YESENIA PUM:** HI, MY NAME IS YESENIA PUM, RESIDENT OF
23 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A. A MINUTE IS NOT ENOUGH TO ENCAPSULATE
24 WHAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF THE EASTSIDE PLUS HAVE FACED DUE TO
25 THE TOXIC CHEMICAL FIRE FROM THE LINEAGE WAREHOUSE AND SOLAR



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1 PANELS FROM ATLAS POWER. LET US NOT FORGET ABOUT ALL PARTIES
2 INVOLVED WHO HAVE CONFLICTED PAIN IN OUR COMMUNITY OF EAST
3 L.A. AND BOYLE HEIGHTS. PEOPLE ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND HERE
4 BECAUSE THEY ARE OUT SICK ON DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS AND EMERGENCY
5 ROOMS. I URGE THAT H RESOURCES DISASTER RELIEF GO TO EAST L.A.
6 AND ALL SURROUNDING AREAS. AND WE DESERVE MUCH BETTER, LIVABLE
7 CONDITIONS, CLEAN AIR AND WATER, NOT THESE CONDITIONS OF
8 CLOSED WINDOWS, DOORS, AND FOUL ODOR AND TOXIC ODORS. WE NEED
9 A COMMUNITY TOWN HALL AGAIN TO MEET WITH COMMUNITY TO HEAR THE
10 TRUTH AND THE DISPARITIES WE HAVE FACED. ADDITIONALLY, THE
11 DEMOLISHMENT OF THE WALL HAS HAPPENED AT NIGHT WHERE RESIDENTS
12 ARE NOT ABLE TO SLEEP BECAUSE OF THE LOUD NOISE, ADDING MORE
13 TO THE REASONS OF UNBEARABLE CONDITIONS WE FACE. THANK YOU.
14 AGAIN, TO REITERATE, IT IS COMMUNITY WHO HAS SHOWN UP FOR
15 COMMUNITY ONCE AGAIN, ONCE AGAIN, AND UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A.
16 ALWAYS GETS IGNORED. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** HI GUYS, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I
21 JUST WANT TO TELL YOU GUYS I REALLY APPRECIATE EVERYTHING
22 Y'ALL HAVE DONE, AND THIS HAS BEEN THE LONGEST, LIKE, MEETING
23 THAT I'VE EVER SAT IN, AND OH MY GOSH, I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW
24 YOU GUYS HAVE SO MUCH PATIENCE. OKAY, SO, ALSO I JUST WANT TO
25 APOLOGIZE FOR EVERYBODY ELSE'S LIKE BAD BANTER THAT THEY HAVE



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1 SAID. I DON'T THINK THAT IS TRUE. BUT MY NAME IS MORGAN WHITE.
2 YOU GUYS HAVE HELPED ME BEFORE, AND I UNDERSTAND THE TRUE
3 POWER THAT YOU GUYS HAVE. I HAVE A NONPROFIT, BACK TO SCHOOL
4 L.A., AND WE ARE OPENING UP A DAYCARE. AND I AM EXCITED TO, I
5 WANT TO OFFER FREE CHILDCARE DESPITE INCOME. LIKE REGULATIONS.
6 I DO KNOW THAT WE HAVE CRYSTAL STAIRS, BUT SOMETIMES PEOPLE
7 COME ACROSS UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND I DO NOT WANT
8 CHILDREN TO BE ABLE TO BE AFFECTED BY THAT. SO I AM WONDERING
9 IF YOU GUYS CAN ASSIST ME WITH ANY, LIKE, PROCUREMENT
10 CONTRACTS THAT YOU GUYS' MAY HAVE OUT, OR SOME TYPE OF GRANTS
11 THAT CAN ASSIST ME WITH GIVING FREE CHILDCARE DESPITE INCOME
12 REGULATIONS.

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

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU CAN GET HELP FROM OUR OFFICES.
17 THEY CAN TELL YOU, DIRECT YOU WHAT WEBSITES AND WHAT
18 INFORMATION WE HAVE FOR GRANTS AND THINGS. OKAY, JUST TALK TO
19 THE STAFF, PLEASE. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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21 **IN-PERSON SPEAKER:** I AM UNHOUSED AND REQUIRE DISABILITY
22 ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS. ANY MAILING ADDRESS I
23 PROVIDED WAS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSING ONLY, NOT MY
24 RESIDENCE OR CONSENT TO EXCLUSIVE SERVICE BY MAIL. TODAY I
25 SUBMIT A 10-DAY CPRA NOTICE, AFFIDAVIT OF TRUTH, PRESERVATION



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1 DEMAND, AND REQUESTS FOR BOARD OVERSIGHT CONCERNING MY PUBLIC
2 COMMENT VIDEOS, SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS, AND CLAIMS INVOLVING ME,
3 MY MOTHER JENNIFER CAMPBELL, AND MY FATHER MICHAEL HAROLD
4 JOHNSON. MY FATHER'S AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED MAY 26TH, YET WE
5 WERE TOLD THE CLAIM WAS DENIED MAY 25TH, MEMORIAL DAY.
6 IMPOSSIBLE. AND NO AMENDMENT WOULD BE ACCEPTED. I DISPUTE THAT
7 CHRONOLOGY IN SERVICE. I ALSO DISPUTE THE COUNTY'S HANDLING OF
8 MY LAST RELATED CLAIM. I SPECIFICALLY NEED THE BOARD HELP
9 OBTAINING THE BOARD'S HELP OBTAINING COMPLETE AND TIMELY
10 RESPONSES TO MY PENDING CPRA REQUESTS FROM DMH, DHS, DPSS,
11 DPH, LASD, AND OTHER COUNTY AGENCIES. ITEM 16 IS NOW APPROVED.
12 ITS IMPLEMENTATION MUST CONSOLIDATE ACCOUNTABILITY WITH
13 FUNDING THROUGH ONE LEAD AGENCY, COMPLETE AUDIT TRAILS, RECORD
14 PRESERVATION, CONTRACTOR MONITORING --

15
16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES THE TIME FOR
17 PUBLIC COMMENT.

18
19 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW
20 PROCEED WITH ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, WE'RE GOING TO START WITH, SINCE
23 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND MITCHELL DON'T HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS,
24 WE'LL BEGIN WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN, MYSELF, AND THEN HORVATH.



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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE
2 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PILAR
3 PINAL. PILAR PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY IN HER HOME AT THE AGE OF
4 95. PILAR IS THE MOTHER OF MY FRIEND YOLANDA, WHO OWNS SIRENS
5 JAVA AND TEA IN DOWNTOWN SAN PEDRO. PILAR WAS A DEVOTED
6 MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, AND GREAT-GRANDMOTHER WHOSE LIFE WAS
7 DEFINED BY LOVE, STRENGTH, AND UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO HER
8 FAMILY. PILAR WAS THE HEART OF HER FAMILY, LEADING WITH
9 KINDNESS, INTEGRITY, AND COMPASSION. SHE WAS KNOWN FOR HER
10 SELFLESS SPIRIT, ALWAYS PUTTING THE NEEDS OF OTHERS BEFORE HER
11 OWN AND PROVIDING CONSTANT LOVE, AND SUPPORT TO THOSE AROUND
12 HER. HER WARMTH, INFECTIOUS SENSE OF HUMOR, AND BRIGHT SMILE
13 BROUGHT COMFORT AND JOY TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS ALIKE. PILAR IS
14 SURVIVED BY HER SEVEN CHILDREN: YOLANDA, LUIS, RUDY, ANNETTE,
15 MICHAEL, LYDIA, AND MARIO, 16 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 8 GREAT-
16 GRANDCHILDREN.

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18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
19 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF RAY CAROFANO. RAY WAS AN ACCLAIMED
20 PHOTOGRAPHER, ARTIST, AND LONGTIME SAN PEDRO RESIDENT WHOSE
21 WORK HELPED SHAPE THE TOWN'S VIBRANT ARTS' COMMUNITY. OVER HIS
22 50-YEAR CAREER, RAY EARNED RECOGNITION FOR BOTH HIS COMMERCIAL
23 AND FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY. AFTER MOVING TO SAN PEDRO IN THE
24 LATE 1990S, HE AND HIS WIFE ARNE BECAME INSTRUMENTAL IN THE
25 GROWTH OF THE CITY'S ARTS DISTRICT. THROUGH GALLERY 478, THEY



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1 CHAMPIONED LOCAL AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ARTISTS AND HELPED
2 ESTABLISH THE FIRST THURSDAY ART WALK AS A CORNERSTONE OF SAN
3 PEDRO'S CULTURAL LIFE. RAY'S PHOTOGRAPHY CAPTURED THE PEOPLE
4 AND PLACES THAT MAKE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA UNIQUE. HIS ACCLAIMED
5 FACES OF SAN PEDRO SERIES DOCUMENTED THE CHARACTER AND
6 RESILIENCE OF SAN PEDRO'S RESIDENTS, WHILE LATER COLLECTIONS
7 EXPLORED THE MOJAVE DESERT AND THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. HIS WORK
8 CHALLENGED VIEWERS TO SEE BEAUTY AND DIGNITY AND HUMANITY IN
9 OFTEN OVERLOOKED PLACES AND PEOPLE. RAY LEAVES BEHIND A
10 LASTING ARTISTIC LEGACY AND A COMMUNITY THAT IS STRONGER
11 BECAUSE OF HIS VISION AND GENEROSITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
12 BELOVED WIFE, ARNE, HIS DAUGHTERS TRACY AND KRISTA, AND HIS
13 DAUGHTER HALLIE RAY.

14
15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND ON BEHALF OF CATHERINE, SUPERVISOR
16 BARGER, SHE'S ASKED THAT I ADJOURN FOR THE INDIGENT VETERANS.
17 SO I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
18 THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT
19 VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER AND WERE
20 SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE
21 NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH: GEORGE DAVID BREWSTER,
22 AIR FORCE. CURTIS LEE ARMSTRONG, MARINES. JOHN ROBERT DODGE
23 JR., NAVY. EDWARD MCROBBIE, ARMY. DARRYL EUGENE SMITH, ARMY.
24 JAMES AARON CATO, AIR FORCE. GARY THOMAS FIX, NAVY. JERRY
25 WAYNE JENSEN, ARMY. DONALD ANTHONY STROTHER, COAST GUARD. JIM



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1 CLIFFORD COLEMAN, MARINES. RALEIGH AGLIM SELGA, ARMY. ROBERT
2 WAYNE CONOLOGUE, AIR FORCE. JOHN PIZER, ARMY. LEONARD
3 MORRISON, ARMY. GLENN MICHAEL AYALA, NAVY. AYALA, AYALA, NAVY.
4 LEONARD EUGENE RICHTER, NAVY. RONALD MATHIS, MARINES. GEORGE
5 WESLEY SIEGEL, AIR FORCE. SABRE KURT EDDINGS, NAVY. WILLIAM
6 PRICE PLUMMER JR., MARINES. MAY THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND
7 SACRIFICES IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THANK
8 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9
10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. FIRST, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
11 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF BEATRIZ ENCINAS, A
12 CHERISHED FRIEND, RESPECTED COLLEAGUE, AND TIRELESS ADVOCATE
13 FOR EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL ACCESS TO LOW-INCOME STUDENTS.
14 BEATRIZ PASSED AWAY ON JULY 28, 2026. HER LIFE'S WORK CENTERED
15 ON STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES THROUGH EDUCATION, AND SHE SPENT
16 HER CAREER ENSURING THAT STUDENTS FACING THE GREATEST BARRIERS
17 WERE PROVIDED REAL OPPORTUNITIES TO SUCCEED. AS A PROUD ALUMNA
18 OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH, SHE FORMED LASTING
19 RELATIONSHIPS THAT SHAPED HER PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY, GROUNDED
20 HER COMMITMENT TO EQUITY. BEATRIZ WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
21 FEDERAL TRIO PROGRAMS WHERE SHE CHAMPIONED COUNTLESS STUDENTS,
22 SUPPORTED INITIATIVES THAT CONTINUE TO UPLIFT FAMILIES
23 THROUGHOUT THE REGION. SHE'S REMEMBERED NOT ONLY FOR HER
24 DEDICATION BUT FOR HER DEEP KINDNESS. BEATRIZ CONSISTENTLY
25 SPOKE OF PRIDE AND ADMIRATION FOR THE WORK DONE TO ADVANCE



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1 EDUCATIONAL EQUITY, ALWAYS ENCOURAGING OTHERS TO STAY ENGAGED
2 AND HOPEFUL ABOUT WHAT PUBLIC SERVICE CAN ACCOMPLISH.
3 BEATRIZ'S LEGACY WILL CONTINUE TO LIVE IN THE MANY STUDENTS
4 THAT SHE INSPIRED AND THE COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS WHOSE FUTURES
5 WERE SHAPED BY HER EFFORTS. I EXTEND MY CONDOLENCES TO HER
6 FAMILY, FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, AND EVERYONE WHOSE LIVES WERE
7 IMPACTED BY HER GENEROSITY AND COMMITMENT. NEXT, I MOVE THAT
8 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF CARLOS
9 RODRIGUEZ AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS CHARLIE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
10 JULY 19, 2026, AT THE AGE OF 105 AT HIS HOME IN EAST LOS
11 ANGELES WITH HIS SON BY HIS SIDE. BORN ON NOVEMBER 4, 1920, IN
12 MEXICO, CHARLIE IMMIGRATED WITH HIS FAMILY TO LOS ANGELES AT
13 THE AGE OF 9. SHORTLY AFTER THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR, HE WAS
14 DRAFTED INTO THE U.S. ARMY. IN 1943, HE WAS DEPLOYED TO PAPAU
15 NEW GUINEA, WHERE HE SERVED AS AN INTERPRETER, ASSISTED IN
16 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION, INSTRUCTED FELLOW SOLDIERS ON ESSENTIAL
17 FIELD OPERATIONS SUCH AS DIGGING DEFENSIVE DITCHES, AND
18 CARRIED OUT MANY OTHER IMPORTANT DUTIES IN SUPPORT OF THE WAR
19 EFFORT. FOLLOWING HIS HONORABLE SERVICE, CHARLIE RETURNED TO
20 THE U.S. AND BEGAN WORKING AS A PRINTER APPRENTICE.
21 RECOGNIZING HIS EXCEPTIONAL WORK ETHIC, DEDICATION, AND
22 RELIABILITY, A PRINTING COMPANY HIRED HIM AS A FULL-TIME
23 EMPLOYEE. HE ENJOYED A DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN THE PRINTING
24 INDUSTRY THAT SPANNED MORE THAN 40 YEARS. IN 1948, CHARLIE
25 MADE EAST L.A. HIS LIFELONG HOME, WHERE HE AND HIS FAMILY



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1 BUILT A LIFE ROOTED IN FAITH, COMMUNITY, AND SERVICE. A
2 DEVOTED BASEBALL FAN, HE FAITHFULLY CHEERED FOR BOTH THE
3 ANGELS AND THE DODGERS. HE WAS ALSO AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF ST.
4 ALPHONSUS CHURCH IN EAST LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE SERVED AS AN
5 USHER EVERY SUNDAY AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY PARTICIPATED IN THE
6 PARISH SENIOR CLUBS, DANCES, FUNDRAISING EVENTS. IT WAS MY
7 PRIVILEGE TO RECOGNIZE CHARLIE AT ONE OF MY 2025 EAST L.A.
8 VETERANS DAY CEREMONY WHERE HE SERVED AS MY GUEST OF HONOR AND
9 WAS CELEBRATED FOR HIS COURAGEOUS MILITARY SERVICE AS SHOWN ON
10 THE IMAGE IN THE SCREEN. I AND MY OFFICE ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL
11 TO CHARLIE FOR HIS FRIENDSHIP, HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR
12 COMMUNITY, AND HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO OUR NATION. HE WAS A
13 GIFTED CONVERSATIONALIST WITH A WONDERFUL SENSE OF HUMOR WHOSE
14 WARM PERSONALITY AND JOYFUL SPIRIT TOUCHED EVERYONE WHO KNEW
15 HIM. CHARLIE OFTEN CREDITED HIS LIFELONG TO HIS LOVING
16 MARRIAGE AND HIS PRIDE THAT HE TOOK IN HIS CHILDREN. HE'S
17 SURVIVED BY THREE CHILDREN, MICHAEL, ANITA, AND CHRISTINE. MY
18 HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, AND
19 THE EAST L.A. COMMUNITY WHO WILL DEEPLY HIS KINDNESS,
20 FRIENDSHIP, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO OTHERS. MAY HE REST
21 IN PEACE.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND FINALLY, I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE
24 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN THE MEMORY OF ENEDINO AGUIRRE CANO.
25 ENEDINO WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 28, 1936, IN CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO,



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1 AND PASSED AWAY ON JULY 20, 2026, AT THE AGE OF 89 IN
2 HUNTINGTON PARK. AND NIÑO DEDICATED HIS LIFE IN KEEPING HIS
3 NATIVE COUNTRY, MEXICO, PRESENT IN LOS ANGELES THROUGH HIS
4 LEADERSHIP WITH THE COMITÉ MEXICANO CÍVICO PATRIÓTICO, WHERE
5 HE SERVED SINCE 1964. IN FACT, HE WAS THE LONGEST-SERVING
6 MEMBER OF THE COMITÉ. AND FOR MANY YEARS, HE HELPED ORGANIZE
7 THE MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE THAT IS HELD ANNUALLY IN
8 EAST LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS CONSIDERED THE LARGEST PARADE IN
9 THE U.S. NOT ONLY WAS ENEDIÑO A PASSIONATE COMMUNITY LEADER
10 WHO SERVED IN VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE FEDERATION
11 OF DURANGO IN CALIFORNIA, BUT HE WAS ALSO AN ACTOR, A SINGER,
12 AND FOCUS ON MEXICAN CINEMA. HIS VOICE AND ARTISTIC PRESENCE
13 REINFORCED THE MISSION OF KEEPING MEXICAN IDENTITY ALIVE AND
14 ABROAD, DEMONSTRATING THAT CULTURE IS DEFENDED BOTH ON STAGE
15 AND IN THE COMMUNITY. ENEDIÑO LEAVES BEHIND HIS TWO CHILDREN,
16 GLORIA AND GUSTAVO AGUIRRE, AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. MY HEART
17 GOES OUT TO ALL OF THEM AND ALL WHO KNEW HIM. MAY HE REST IN
18 PEACE.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
21 TODAY. WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF GABRIELA DOMINGUEZ, A LIFELONG
22 RESIDENT OF CITY TERRACE AND A BELOVED EDUCATOR WITH THE
23 MONTEBELLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. GABRIELA ATTENDED SACRED
24 HEART ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE SHE WAS A CHEERLEADING
25 CAPTAIN CHOIR MEMBER, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN YOUTH GROUPS.



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1 SHE GRADUATED WITH HONORS FROM MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE IN
2 1995 AND WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF KAPPA DELTA CHI. AFTER
3 RECEIVING A ROCKEFELLER SCHOLARSHIP, SHE COMMITTED HERSELF TO
4 TEACHING IN THE INNER CITY, WORK THAT BECAME HER LIFE'S
5 MISSION. GABRIELA DEDICATED HER LIFE TO LEARNING AND TO
6 STUDENTS SHE SERVED. FROM A YOUNG AGE, SHE DREAMED OF BECOMING
7 A TEACHER, OFTEN PLAYING CLASSROOM WITH HER SIBLINGS AND
8 FRIENDS, AN EARLY GLIMPSE OF THE PASSION THAT WOULD GUIDE HER
9 THROUGHOUT HER LIFE. OVER NEARLY 25 YEARS AT BANDINI
10 ELEMENTARY, SHE TAUGHT ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS,
11 EVENTUALLY DEDICATING HERSELF TO 3RD GRADERS. SHE CREATED A
12 SENSE OF COMMUNITY ON CAMPUS, LEADING THE BANDINI STUDENT
13 COUNCIL, READ ACROSS AMERICA, AND MATH AND SCIENCE COHORT. SHE
14 ALSO SERVED AS A WRITING COACH AND A UNION REPRESENTATIVE FOR
15 THE CALIFORNIA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION. HER PASSION FOR TEACHING
16 WAS UNPARALLELED. MY HEART GOES OUT TO GABRIELA'S FAMILY, AND
17 MOST IMPORTANTLY, INCLUDING HER SISTER-IN-LAW AND GOOD FRIEND
18 OF OURS, ROSA SOTO, WHO SERVES AS MY FIRST DISTRICT
19 COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR OF THE WELLNESS CENTER AT GENERAL
20 HOSPITAL. THANK YOU. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR
21 HORVATH.

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23 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT
24 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BETYE SAAR, A
25 GROUNDBREAKING ARTIST WHO MADE LAUREL CANYON HER HOME FOR MORE



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1 THAN SIX DECADES. BETYE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 99 ON JULY
2 26TH, JUST MOMENTS BEFORE HER 100TH BIRTHDAY. THROUGHOUT HER
3 EXTRAORDINARY CAREER, SAAR TRANSFORMED EVERYDAY OBJECTS INTO
4 ONE— INTO POWERFUL WORKS OF ART THAT CHALLENGED INJUSTICE,
5 CELEBRATED BLACK IDENTITY, AND INVITED GENERATIONS TO REFLECT
6 ON HISTORY, MEMORY, AND RESILIENCE. HER CREATIVITY AND VISION
7 HELPED REDEFINE CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN ART AND INSPIRED
8 COUNTLESS ARTISTS TO USE THEIR WORK AS A FORCE FOR CHANGE.
9 FROM HER LONGTIME HOME AND STUDIO IN LAUREL CANYON, SAAR
10 CREATED A BODY OF WORK THAT BROUGHT INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION
11 TO LOS ANGELES WHILE REMAINING DEEPLY ROOTED IN THE
12 COMMUNITIES SHE CALLED HOME. HER WORK WAS EXHIBITED AT THE LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART, AND MUSEUMS AROUND THE WORLD,
14 BUT SHE NEVER LOST SIGHT OF THE CITY THAT SHAPED HER ARTISTIC
15 JOURNEY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS LESLIE, ALISON, AND
16 TRACY SAAR, EACH OF WHOM HAS CARRIED FORWARD HER FAMILY'S
17 REMARKABLE ARTISTIC LEGACY. HER LOSS IS DEEPLY FELT BY HER
18 FAMILY, THE ART'S COMMUNITY, AND THE COUNTLESS ANGELENOS
19 INSPIRED BY HER CREATIVITY AND VISION. WE ADJOURN TODAY IN
20 HONOR OF BETYE SAAR. RECOGNIZING HER EXTRAORDINARY
21 CONTRIBUTIONS TO ART, CULTURE, AND THE ENDURING LEGACY SHE
22 LEAVES BEHIND. AND I KNOW THE L.A. TIMES DID A REALLY NICE
23 TRIBUTE TO HER AS WELL, AND MAYBE YOU KNEW HER WORK, BUT SHE
24 WAS ONE OF A KIND AND WE DEEPLY MISSED IN OUR DISTRICT.

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1 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH, I'D LIKE TO
2 JOIN YOU ON THAT, IF I MAY.

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4 **SUP. LINDSEY P. HORVATH:** PLEASE.

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6 **SUP. HOLLY J. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THAT
7 OPPORTUNITY. I ALSO WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO HONOR MS. SAAR.
8 WHO AGAIN WAS A CENTRAL FIGURE IN THE BLACK ARTS' MOVEMENT AND
9 CONTINUED CREATING WELL INTO HER 90S. BEGINNING IN THE LATE
10 '60S, SHE BEGAN COLLECTING BLACK DOLLS, A PURSUIT SHE SHAPED
11 IN PART BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF BLACK DOLLS IN HER OWN
12 FORMATIVE YEARS. AND SHE GREW UP IN THE '20S AND '30S. THESE
13 DOLLS, HANDMADE, MASS-PRODUCED, AND SOMETIMES ROOTED IN
14 PAINFUL HISTORIES, BECAME A WAY FOR HER TO EXPLORE IDENTITY,
15 MEMORY, AND HEALING. HER EXHIBITION, BETYE SAAR'S BLACK DOLLS,
16 ARE CURRENTLY ON EXHIBIT IN THE NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
17 AND THEY'LL BE THERE THROUGH OCTOBER. AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH
18 JUST SHARED, SHE'S CURRENTLY ON VIEW AT LACMA'S NEW DAVID
19 GEFFEN GALLERIES, WHICH INCLUDES PIECES LIKE I'LL BEND BUT I
20 WILL NOT BREAK, THIS EXHIBITION HIGHLIGHTS HER DEEP ROOTS IN
21 LOS ANGELES AND THE LASTING IMPACT HER VISION HAS HAD ON THE
22 ART WORLD. SHE WAS A REGULAR AT LACMA'S ART AND FILM DINNER. I
23 JUST SAW HER AT THE DINNER FOR THE OPENING OF THE DAVID GEFFEN
24 GALLERY, HAD A LOVELY LONG CONVERSATION WITH HER AND HER
25 DAUGHTER WHO ESCORTED HER. SHE WAS SO EXCITED ABOUT THE



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1 OPENING OF THE GEFFEN GALLERIES, THE WHOLE CONCEPT OF THE
2 BRIDGE CROSSING WILSHIRE FROM NORTH TO SOUTH, AND THAT SHE
3 WOULD ONCE AGAIN BE FEATURED IN THIS REALLY HISTORIC STATE-OF-
4 THE-ART NEW GALLERY. MISS SAAR'S INFLUENCE LIVES ON IN
5 COUNTLESS ARTISTS AND IN THE MANY INSTITUTIONS THAT HOLD HER
6 WORK. HER FEARLESS CREATIVITY AND DEDICATION TO TRUTH HELPED
7 RESHAPE HOW BLACK LIFE, HISTORY, AND SPIRITUALITY ARE SEEN AND
8 VALUED IN ART.

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10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL TAKE ALL THOSE AS
11 RECEIVED AND FILED. YES, SECONDED. OKAY, WE WILL NOW GO INTO,
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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14 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** NO OBJECTION. MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC, THE BOARD WILL NOW BE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. WHILE
16 THE BOARD IS IN CLOSED SESSION, WE WILL BE SHOWING A VIDEO
17 PRESENTATION. SUPERVISOR BARGER HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION
18 RECOGNIZING A DOCUMENTARY, RECLAIMING HOME: BLACK ALTADENA
19 REBUILDS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS
20 HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN
21 CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS NUMBER CS2 AND CS3, PUBLIC
22 EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AND ITEM NUMBER CS4, CLOSED
23 SESSION, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATIONS, JOSEPH M.
24 NICCHITTA AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE PROPOSED
25 POSTED AGENDA.



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2 [CLOSED SESSION]

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4 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO
5 SAVE EVERY HOUSE.

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7 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I DO WANT TO STAY AND REBUILD.

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9 **SPEAKER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE WILL BE BACK.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER [VIDEO RECORDING]:** TONIGHT, I'M REALLY
12 PROUD OF THE COUNTY FAMILY. WE HAVE THE COUNTY CHANNEL
13 PRODUCED A MOVIE, AND IT IS HIGHLIGHTING THREE BLACK FAMILIES
14 THAT ARE REBUILDING IN ALTADENA. IT'S ABOUT THE STRUGGLES, BUT
15 ALSO THE FACT THAT THEY ARE RESILIENT AND ARE MOVING FORWARD.
16 IT IS IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT BLACK FAMILIES BECAUSE THE
17 HISTORY UP HERE IN ALTADENA RUNS DEEP. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US
18 TO PRESERVE THE HISTORY BUT ALSO GIVE THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE
19 GENERATIONAL WEALTH HERE THE ABILITY TO REBUILD.

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21 **JOHN BYSON [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M REALLY EXCITED TO BE HERE.
22 I'M VERY EAGER TO SEE THE FILM THAT WAS PUT TOGETHER. SPENDING
23 TIME WITH YOU GUYS ON OUR JOURNEY HAS BEEN AMAZING. IT'S GREAT
24 TO SEE THE, THE PEOPLE FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD COME OUT. I KNOW
25 A FEW OF THEM. AND THIS IS GREAT. IT'S BEEN AN AMAZING



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1 JOURNEY, AND I REMEMBER WHEN YOU GUYS FIRST CAME AND WE WERE
2 JUST STANDING ON DIRT AND ASH, AND NOW IN THE FINAL HOUSE
3 GETTING TO SEE IT ON THE BIG SCREEN. I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER TO
4 CELEBRATE THIS WITH EVERYBODY.

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6 **KENI "ARTS" DAVIS [VIDEO RECORDING]:** WE'RE AT LOMA ALTA PARK.
7 THERE ARE VENDORS HERE TONIGHT. OF COURSE, THE FILMMAKERS HERE
8 ARE HERE, SO WE HAVE JUST A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE SUPPORTING
9 THE AND WE'RE REALLY HAPPY THAT PEOPLE HAVE COME OUT.

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11 **DIANNE LEWIS [VIDEO RECORDING]:** I'M REBUILDING, AND THIS WAS A
12 NICE ENCOURAGEMENT, A REUNION OF PEOPLE THAT I HAVEN'T SEEN IN
13 A YEAR. WE'VE BEEN OUT OF OUR HOME FOR A YEAR AND A HALF. TO
14 KNOW THAT THEY'RE REBUILDING AND THEY'VE ALREADY STARTED AND
15 THINGS ARE GOING WELL FOR THEM, IT WAS VERY NICE. THE
16 DOCUMENTARY WAS AMAZING.

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18 **KENI "ARTS" DAVIS [VIDEO RECORDING]:** VERY SPECIAL. FIRST OF
19 ALL, IT WAS AN EXCELLENT DOCUMENTARY. IT TOLD OUR STORY WELL,
20 AND THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE REALLY INTERESTED
21 IN, IS THAT OUR STORIES DON'T GET LOST. AND TO HAVE THE
22 COMMUNITY HERE AS WELL WAS REALLY SPECIAL, AND IT'S JUST VERY
23 NICE TO BE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER, TELL OUR STORIES, AND LET
24 EVERYONE KNOW THAT WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE. WE'RE GOING TO
25 SURVIVE THIS.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE REPORT.

3 WE'RE NOW BACK IN OPEN SESSION. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ
4 THE REPORT OF ACTION.

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6 **STEVEN HERNANDEZ, CHIEF DEPUTY:** ON ITEM CS2, THERE'S NO
7 REPORTABLE ACTION. ON ITEM CS3, THAT ACTION CLOSED SESSION IS
8 BEING CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 1ST. AND ITEM CS4, NO REPORTABLE
9 ACTION.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. AND WITH THAT, OUR MEETING IS
12 CONCLUDING. OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD
13 ON AUGUST 11, 2026, AT 9:30 AM. WE ARE ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.

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



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1 hereby certify:

2 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
3 Angeles County Board of Supervisors August 4, 2026, were
4 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
5 supervision;

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

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

13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
14 14th day of August 2026, for the County records to be used
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16 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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