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Emergency Rental Assistance for the COVID-19 Impacted Families

The COVID-19 pandemic has devastated the loss of income to many of our County families. In the CARES Act of 2020, the County received additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. This funding can be used to support families in dire need as they face unemployment, food insecurity and housing instability.

There is a unique opportunity to leverage the funding to implement a Countywide Emergency Rental Assistance Program (Program) utilizing CARES Act funds. This Program can subsidize the rent for those families who were recently laid off from retail and service industry jobs.

In the next couple of weeks, the CARES Act will include another distribution of CDBG monies to cities and counties. The County needs to make sure we can leverage any state, federal and philanthropic funding to assist our County families.

WE, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors, also acting as the Board of Commissioners direct the Los Angeles County Development Authority along with CEO Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations and the Department of Consumer and

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Business Affairs to secure additional CARES Act funds to implement a Countywide Emergency Rental Assistance Program (Program), seek additional funding to leverage additional CARES ACT funds including philanthropy and private funding and report back to the Board with an implementation plan for the Program for those impacted by COVID-19 in 30 days.

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