

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA L. SOLIS

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Proclaiming April 2024 as Second Chance Month

The month of April is nationally observed as “Second Chance Month”, which seeks to help individuals, communities, and agencies across the country recognize the importance of providing meaningful opportunities for reducing recidivism, fostering redemption, improving outcomes, and facilitating healing for the justice involved population through reentry programs, culturally specific services, restorative justice, and trauma-informed care. Second Chance Month empowers individuals, communities, and community-based organizations to extend second chance opportunities for justice-involved individuals that enhance community safety and drive momentum for policy change throughout the country.

To commemorate Second Chance Month, The Los Angeles County Justice, Care and Opportunities Department (JCOD) in collaboration with their contracted community-based service providers, and other partners are hosting a series of community resource events in each supervisorial district. These events will recognize and celebrate the efforts of JCOD, the county, and community-based organizations that provide robust services,

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support, and resources for our reentry population. The Second Chance Month community events will feature services and resources that link the community to care management, workforce opportunities, education, legal resources, housing, and other supportive services.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim April 2024 as Second Chance Month in Los Angeles County.

I, FURTHER, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct County Communications to promote the Justice, Care, and Opportunities Department's and other departments' Second Chance Month events on the County website, including in high-usage languages.

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