



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
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31.		Favor	DeLlora Ellis-Gant	The Los Angeles County African American Employees Association respectfully submits a comment in favor/support of this proclamation. LACAAEA will use its social media platforms to amplify the public information campaign with our members and followers.
			Edward Barsoumian	<p>Hello Honorable Supervisors, I am Edward Barsoumian, representing the ANCA Western Region. First, a special thanks to Supervisor Barger for introducing this motion.</p> <p>As Armenians globally mark April 24th to commemorate the slaughter of over 1.5 million people during the Armenian Genocide, it is evident that humanity has yet to fully internalize the lessons of history.</p> <p>Over a century since the First Armenian Genocide, we've witnessed Azerbaijan's genocide in Artsakh, beginning with its unprovoked invasion in 2020, followed by its illegal blockade from 2022 to 2023, and culminating in a full-scale invasion last year, which forcibly displaced more than 120,000 Artsakh Armenians from their ancestral lands.</p> <p>Today, Azerbaijani dictator Ilham Aliyev's genocidal ambitions threaten the sovereignty of Armenia, with continuous violence in the provinces of Syunik and Gegharkunik. We are on the brink of a future in which Armenia may cease to exist as a homeland.</p> <p>As we remember those who perished over a century ago, we must not merely reflect on the past but take decisive action to safeguard the rights and dignities of those facing oppression today. The ANCA Western Region wholeheartedly supports this resolution and urges its unanimous approval.</p>

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31.		Favor	Ruben D Karapetian	<p>Thank you, Supervisors Barger and Solis for introducing this motion</p> <p>The Armenian Genocide saw the destruction of the centuries-old Armenian homeland, priceless heritage, and the death of over 1.5 million Armenians at the hands of the Ottoman Empire.</p> <p>The Armenian Genocide did not end 109 years ago. It continues to this day, perpetuated by Turkey's obstruction of justice for the victims and survivors of genocide and Turkey's reckless regional foreign policy. Last year, Azerbaijan, with the help of Turkey, launched a campaign of ethnic cleansing and cultural genocide in Artsakh, driven by their shared pan-Turkic agenda, effectively emptying Artsakh of its native Armenian population. This campaign echoes the atrocities of the Armenian Genocide of 1915, and now Turkey and Azerbaijan threaten the sovereignty and viability of Armenia itself.</p> <p>In light of these ongoing challenges, it is essential that we stand together in recognizing and condemning the historical and ongoing injustices faced by the Armenian people. By acknowledging the Armenian Genocide and its continued impacts, we not only honor the memory of those who have suffered but also take a critical step toward preventing such atrocities in the future.</p>
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