

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA L. SOLIS

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Proclaiming April 22-27, 2024 as Reentry Week in Los Angeles County

The week of April 22nd - 27th, 2024 is nationally observed as “Reentry Week”, a dedicated week in Second Chance Month (April) aimed at supporting individuals reintegrating into the community after periods of incarceration and fostering community involvement while aiming to reduce recidivism. During Reentry Week, federal, state, local agencies, and grassroots organizations are encouraged and recognized for their efforts in building a comprehensive framework to effectively support returning individuals. Reentry programs that offer restorative justice and trauma-informed care promote healing and improve outcomes for justice-involved individuals. Reentry Week empowers individuals, communities, and community-based organizations to extend second chance opportunities for justice-involved individuals, thus enhancing community safety and driving momentum for policy change nationwide.

To commemorate Reentry Week, The Los Angeles County Justice, Care and Opportunities Department (JCOD), in collaboration with contracted community-based

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service providers and other partners, is hosting a community resource event and celebrating the opening of a reentry wellness center. These events will recognize and celebrate the efforts of JCOD, the County, and community-based organizations that provide transformative services, support, and resources for our reentry population. The Reentry Week community events will feature services and resources that link the community to care management, workforce opportunities, education, legal resources, housing, and other supportive services.

Successful reentry is only possible through the close collaboration and partnership among government, community-based organizations that serve our reentry communities, and those closest to the mass incarceration problem — people with lived experience.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim April 22 - 27, 2024, as Reentry Week 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' Reentry Week events on the County website, including in high-usage languages.

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