



**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:				
49.		Favor	Hector Ramirez	
			Janine Roach	
			Karen Ramirez	Hi, my name is Karen Ramirez, I am a tenant and I live in Supervisor district 2. I want to thank Supervisor Mitchell for your leadership in passing Right to Counsel. I also want to thank Supervisors Solis and Horvath for supporting the motion to establish a Right to Counsel. As a renter, I strongly support a Right to Counsel ordinance. Please vote in favor.
			Karla Perez	As a renter, I strongly support a Right to Counsel ordinance. No one should EVER be evicted without legal representation. Right to Counsel is about reducing homelessness, access to equity and justice in court, and the benefits that everyone experiences when our communities have housing stability. An eviction case will never be equitable if landlords are almost always represented and less than 10% of tenants have legal representation. Right to Counsel paired with strong eviction protections levels the playing field for tenants and landlords in court, stabilizes our communities to provide better outcomes for all residents, and creates cost savings through the prevention of increased displacement and homelessness. Thank you.
			Shantel Daniels	I vote in favor of renters having the right to access to public council.
			Silvia Marroquin	LA is facing an eviction crisis with nearly 50,000 eviction cases filed in Los Angeles in 2023, with cases continuing to increase this year. Without legal representation, tenants will wrongfully be evicted and the number of people who are homelessness will increase. Right to Counsel will save the County money. A 2019 report found that for every dollar invested in RTC, nearly \$4.53 will be saved by the County by preventing people from falling into homelessness and the costs associated: shelter costs, hospitalizations, school absences, healthcare, etc. Right to Counsel is about creating access to equity in courts. Landlords are nearly always represented while less than 10% of tenants receive legal representation. Right to Counsel is about racial justice and economic justice. A majority of tenants facing eviction are Black or People of Color, and Right to Counsel programs have been shown to improve racial justice outcomes of the eviction system. We applaud Supervisors Mitchell and Solis for introducing this motion and urge all Supervisors to vote in favor.

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49.		Oppose	paul burt	<p>STRONGLY OPPOSE!</p> <p>As articulated previously, outside of California nowhere else in the Nation are radically unfair and unsustainable demands being made of taxpayers to fund the housing, healthcare, and more, of people not related to them. Too, it has been my opinion that the most flagrant of the "taxpayer provided perks" your Members have given away to those who didn't earn it, was Ms. Mitchell's horrific "Guaranteed Basic Income" but to say that the introduction and assignment of what are essentially "Public Defenders" and their support staff - paralegals, investigators, social workers and administrative assistants - all of whom are on the County's payroll - to provide said legal counsel for those among the electorate who themselves are NOT INDIGENT, well, outrageous doesn't convey the half of it!</p> <p>*****</p> <p>*****This Title 8 blather represents an unparalleled affront and abuse of taxpayer funds! If you can't afford your rent, add employment or move to an area that is more affordable based upon your income, just as I had to do in the 1980's. Codes such as this provide further incentive for shirkers not to do the hard work necessary in order to improve their lives! Why should they? The Board of Supervisors will provide food, money, housing, and now - protection all of which are financed by the commonsense, law abiding, voting, tax payer!</p> <p>Near-20,000 businesses have departed the State since 2009. When we understand that - Nationally - 1 out of every 3 "homeless persons" find themselves destitute as a direct result of employment loss, we can better understand the devastating and horrifically damaging consequences of what certainly appears to be the County's perpetual and ongoing anti-businesses attitude(s). If this anti-business attitude doesn't change, and change quickly, who will be left to Prop up LA County's burgeoning welfare state and radical environmental agenda?</p> <p>Oh yeah,property owners and mortgagees. Shameful!</p>
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