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Hello,

My name is Jason Bautista with the Thai Community Development Center (Thai CDC), part of the Immigrants Are LA (IRLA) coalition.

Immigrant families are facing the perfect storm—mass deportations, rising rents, and looming federal budget cuts. For these communities, housing is not just about affordability—it is about safety, stability, and survival.

I am urging the Board to make a smart, cost-effective investment by approving IRLA's proposal to expand the Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool by \$20 million. This would provide \$500 a month for 18 months to up to 8,000 families—many of them excluded from federal aid. This modest but life-changing support can prevent evictions, keep families stable, and save the County millions in homelessness response costs.

Measure A implementation is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to design housing programs that truly work for excluded communities. This means centering, immigrant, TGI, Black, and Indigenous renters—and ensuring equity is more than just a promise on paper.

Programs must reflect the way our families live every day. I urge you to approve the expanded renter definition and inclusive guidelines so that more people can access the support they need.

Thank you

Sincerely,
Jason Bautista



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