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:	
Agenda #	**Relate To**	**Position**	**Name**	**Comments**
90.		**Oppose**	Gina Valdez	My name is Gina Valdez. I am a concerned citizen and resident of SD-2. I thank this Board for its previously stated commitments to Care First, alternatives to incarceration, and supporting transparency and accountability. Nevertheless, it seems more work needs to be done to reflect these commitments. Based on a report from the Auditor-Controller's Office, for example, more than half of the Care First budget from the last fiscal year has gone unspent and uncommitted. Where have those funds gone? How can a commitment to Care First be fully realized if funding for programs is not being implemented? Moving to this fiscal year and the supplemental budget at hand, in spite of growing health needs in Los Angeles, our County Public Health is being gutted with clinic consolidations and slashing 318 positions. At the same time, the Department of Health Services has been forced to draw on $784.5 million of its own reserves and has deleted 287 vacant positions. Meanwhile $37 million of County money has been added to the Sheriff's Department. When already AB109 funds for the LASD continue to grow, up 44%, while those funds for other departments are only shrinking. The County has stated that it is under immense fiscal pressure. Why then are these fiscal concessions granted to the LASD? When in fact LASD has consistently overspent its published budget for the last 5 years. In light of these facts, we ask the Board to clarify what evidence does LASD have to show that the Sheriff's reserve actually helps control spending? I urge this Board to mandate that every and any transfer from the Sheriff's reserve or the Probation's reserve be brought to the Board for approval as its own Item. On behalf of myself and my communities, I also urge the Board to oppose Item 90 today. Our communities deeply need the Board's support and I ask that the Board fiscally commit to operationalizing Care First across Los Angeles County.
			Natasha Denis	

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90.		**Other**	Rachel Weinstein	Please increase funding for community alternatives to incarceration for girls and gender expansive youth. LA is fortunate to have such amazing organizations doing good work to support these youth and prevent recidivism. Let's support those organizations so they can do the work they are best positioned to do.
			Stephanie RIchard	
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