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Maria Elena Durazo

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR-ELECT | 1st DISTRICT

October 05, 2026

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Re: Measure G Governance Reform

Dear Members of the Board:

As the Board considers recommendations regarding the elected County Executive, I believe it is important to evaluate decisions about this office within the broader governance structure voters approved. I recognize that I will not assume office or have a vote on these matters until December 8, 2026. Until then, the current Board will make these decisions. I respectfully offer these comments.

For an Altadena survivor, a mother seeking services for her child, a senior trying to remain safely at home, or a person with a disability trying to navigate County programs, the organizational chart is not what matters. What matters is whether resources get to who needs them, whether they are distributed equitably, and whether the system is accountable when it fails. What matters is whether we can deliver on what the residents of our Supervisorial Districts expect

Measure G did more than create an elected County Executive. It also created a Director of Budget and Management and an independent County Legislative Analyst, and it expanded the Board from five to nine members. The GRTF recommendations, before you acknowledge that significant questions remain about constituent services, unincorporated communities, labor standards, contracting, land use, and other areas of shared responsibility. As authority over budgets, departments, and service delivery shifts, meaningful checks are needed to ensure that decisions do not unintentionally deepen existing inequities or leave vulnerable communities behind. The Board should have independent information to understand those impacts and the ability to respond when equity is at stake.

I believe we should consider significant decisions about the County Executive's authority and structure alongside how the other pieces provide representation, independent analysis, fiscal accountability, and checks and balances. Because an elected Executive will directly oversee County departments, it should be clear how an expanded Board will represent local communities and how residents will have meaningful recourse when services are inadequate.

While implementation dates differ, the Executive, Budget Director, CLA, and expanded Board were not created in isolation. They should work together as a system that

delivers services effectively while protecting equity, representation, fiscal accountability, and meaningful checks and balances.

Los Angeles County Government represents $50 billion in our economy and is the social safety net for millions of people. Mothers and children, seniors, people with disabilities, people experiencing homelessness, and working families. Measure G implementation must ultimately be judged by whether it makes County government more responsive, accountable, and effective for the people who depend on it when they need it. Governance reform should strengthen our ability to serve people—not become an exercise focused primarily on shifting power and organizational structure.

Sincerely,

Maria Elena Durazo
Los Angeles County Supervisor-elect, District 1