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To: Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Chair
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From: Brandon T. Nichols
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**REQUIRED MONTHLY REPORTING, PURSUANT TO THE NOVEMBER 29, 2023
JUDGMENT OF THE KATIE A. LAWSUIT, REGARDING THE DCFS "TA280"
REQUESTS FOR OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT STOP OR CHANGE REPORT**

On November 29, 2023, the United States District Court for the Central District of California entered a judgment ending the Katie A. lawsuit; however, the judgement requires ongoing publishing of information from the County of Los Angeles for a period of 18 months.

The attached report from February 2024, serves as the fourth monthly publishing of the County of Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) "TA280" reports. The "TA280" report shows a summary table of the requests made by DCFS staff for out-of-home placements to be stopped or changed.

These reports will be publicly available and can be accessed on the Los Angeles County Board Correspondence website (<https://lacounty.gov/government/board-of-supervisors/board-correspondence/>). They will also be posted on the DCFS and Department of Mental Health public websites.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me, or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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Attachment

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**DCFS Number of TA280 Requests for Out-of-Home Placements Stop or Change
During the Month of Feb 2024**

REASON	REQUEST COUNT	%
Adoptive Placement Agreement Signed	167	17.3
Change of Address for Facility	4	0.4
Child Abducted	1	0.1
Child in Medical Facility	6	0.6
Child Ran Away from Placement	41	4.3
Child Refused Services	2	0.2
Child Returned Home for Trial Visit	14	1.5
Child's Behavior	36	3.7
Committed to State Hospital	1	0.1
Complaint on Foster Home	4	0.4
FFACH Changed Agencies	8	0.8
Fost- Adopt Placement	7	0.7
Foster Home/Agency Request	59	6.1
Higher Level of Care Required	5	0.5
Incarcerated	5	0.5
Intercounty Transfer	4	0.4
Lower Level of Care Required	2	0.2
Moved from Emergency Shelter	1	0.1
Moved to NFC Placement	1	0.1
Moved to SILP	42	4.4
Moved to THPP/THP+FC	11	1.1
NMD Decision	8	0.8
NMD Moved to Unapproved Placement	23	2.4
Other	39	4.0
Other - Age of Majority or Emancipation-Ends PE	31	3.2
Other - Death of Child-Ends PE	1	0.1
Other - Reunified w/Parent/Grdian(Court)-Ends PE	290	30.1
Other - Reunified w/Prnt/Grdian(Non-Crt)-Ends PE	5	0.5
Placed with Guardian	49	5.1
Placed with Relative/NREFM	98	10.2
Total	965	100.0

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Acronyms:

FFACH = Foster Family Agency Certified Home
NFC = Non Foster-Care
SILP = Supervised Independent Living Placement
THPP/THP+FC = Transitional Housing Programs
NMD = Nonminor Dependent
PE = Placement Episode
Crt = Court
NREFM = Non-Related Extended Family Member