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To: Supervisor Kathryn Barger, 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 2025, serves as the sixteenth 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) 454-6652.

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Attachment

c: Department of Mental Health
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**DCFS Number of TA280 Requests for Out of Home Placements Stop or Change
During the Month of February 2025**

REASON	REQUEST COUNT	%
Adoptive Placement Agreement Signed	174	18.8
Child Abducted	3	0.3
Child in Medical Facility	12	1.3
Child Ran Away from Placement	48	5.2
Child Refused Services	3	0.3
Child Returned Home for Trial Visit	8	0.9
Child's Behavior	33	3.6
Complaint on Foster Home	9	1.0
FFACH Changed Agencies	2	0.2
Fost- Adopt Placement	4	0.4
Foster Home/Agency Request	40	4.3
Incarcerated	7	0.8
Intercounty Transfer	8	0.9
Lower Level of Care Required	1	0.1
Moved from Emergency Shelter	19	2.1
Moved to NFC Placement	3	0.3
Moved to SILP	22	2.4
Moved to THPP/THP+FC	18	1.9
NMD Decision	9	1.0
NMD Moved to Unapproved Placement	27	2.9
Other	61	6.6
Other - Age of Majority or Emancipation-Ends PE	47	5.1
Other - Reunified w/Parent/Grdian(Court)-Ends PE	249	26.9
Other - Reunified w/Prnt/Grdian(Non-Crt)-Ends PE	5	0.5
Placed with Guardian	67	7.2
Placed with Relative/NREFM	48	5.2
Total	927	100.0

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