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## REQUEST FOR ADDITION OF LATE ITEM/BACK-UP TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ALREADY DISTRIBUTED

December 5, 2024

To: Supervisor Nora Vargas, Chairwoman

From: Kimberly Giardina, DSW, MSW, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Health and Human Services Agency

**MEETING DATE REQUESTED:** December 10, 2024

SUBJECT OF ITEM: AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT FOR MIGRANT SUPPORT SERVICES AND THE ABILITY TO UNDERTAKE STEPS TO EXPEND FUNDS RELATED TO FEMA SHELTER AND SERVICES PROGRAM (DISTRICTS: ALL)

## STATE THE REASONS WHY YOUR REQUEST IS TIME SENSITIVE AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:

On November 4, 2024, the County of San Diego (County), Health and Human Services Agency, Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs received a \$2.0 million funding allocation through California Senate Bill 109 to supplement migrant support services. The San Diego region has historically experienced a significant number of migrant and asylum seeker arrivals as they continue onto their final destination. With an anticipated surge in asylum-seeking migrants in December and increased travel costs associated with onward travel over the holiday season, it is critical for the County to expeditiously get available and timely resources out to community providers engaged in providing services to this population to maximize impact.

Board approval is needed to authorize an agreement with Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego who will convene and collaborate with other non-governmental organizations currently engaged in providing services to asylum-seeking migrants who are released by the Department of Homeland Security and utilize this funding to support onward travel in the most immediate way possible.

## REASON ITEM CANNOT BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDA:

This requested item must be placed on the December 10th agenda to expeditiously authorize an agreement with Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego to get available and timely resources out into the community swiftly to address the anticipated surge in asylum-seeking migrants in December.

Respectfully,

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DISPOSITION: APPROVED/DISAPPROVED

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR NORA VARGAS, CHAIRWOMAN