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San Diego County Board of Supervisors 1600 Pacific Highway San Diego, CA 92101

RE: Support for Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee Proposal

Dear Chair Lawson-Remer and Members of the Board.

On behalf of **Business For Good San Diego**, I am writing to express our strong support for the proposal to establish an **Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning**, brought forward by Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer and Supervisor Monica Montgomery-Steppe.

San Diego County is facing serious fiscal uncertainty due to unprecedented state and federal disinvestment in essential programs. Cuts to Medicaid, SNAP, housing, Medi-Cal, and other core services—alongside unfunded mandates and increased local burdens—risk destabilizing the safety net and undermining the County's ability to meet urgent community needs.

Business For Good is a values-driven chamber representing over 100 small business owners dedicated to advancing economic equity, immigrants' rights, environmental justice, and solutions that address the cost of living for all San Diegans. We know firsthand how vital County services are to the well-being of residents, especially low-income communities, families, older adults, and people with disabilities. These services cannot be left vulnerable to external political decisions made in Washington or Sacramento.

The proposed Strategic Fiscal Planning Subcommittee offers a proactive, community-centered approach to:

- Safeguard essential services,
- Explore equitable local financing solutions,
- Protect vulnerable residents, and
- Maintain the County's strong financial standing.

We are particularly encouraged by the proposal's focus on key priority areas, including healthcare access, behavioral health, in-home supportive services, child care, food assistance, public safety, wildfire prevention, and environmental sustainability.

Business For Good San Diego urges the Board of Supervisors to approve this proposal and begin the process of developing a robust fiscal strategy that reflects community priorities and protects San Diego's future.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to responsible, equitable governance.

Sincerely,

Erica Castillo

Advocacy Co-Chair, Business For Good San Diego

From:Alexandra WhiteTo:FGG, Public CommentCc:Vargas, Cipriano

Subject: [External] Support for Launching a Fiscal Subcommittee

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Attachments: District 3 - Sup TLR PG Ad Hoc Committee Support 092625.pdf

San Diego County Supervisors,

This proposal is vital to core services and the protection of our most under-resourced communities, but its also critical for keeping our local economy strong. Community health means health and well-being for all.

Please find our letter of support attached.

With deep gratitude for the service of our SD County Supervisors! Alex

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Alexandra White | Executive Director and Co-founder (she/her)

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Dear Chair Lawson-Remer and Members of the Board,

On behalf of ProduceGood, I am writing to express our strong support for the proposal to establish an Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning, brought forward by Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer and Supervisor Monica Montgomery-Steppe.

San Diego County is facing serious fiscal uncertainty due to unprecedented state and federal disinvestment in essential programs. Cuts to Medicaid, SNAP, housing, Medi-Cal, and other core services, alongside unfunded mandates and increased local burdens, risk destabilizing the safety net and undermining the County's ability to meet urgent community needs.

As an organization committed to food security and environmental justice, we know firsthand how vital County services are to the well-being of residents, especially under resourced communities, working families, older adults, veterans, and people with disabilities. These services cannot be left vulnerable to unpredictable decisions made in Washington or Sacramento.

We believe the Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee offers a proactive, community-centered approach to

- Safeguard essential services delivered through organizations large and small;
- Explore equitable, sustainable local financing solutions;
- Protect vulnerable residents from preventable harm; and
- Maintain the County's strong financial standing and long-term investments.

We are particularly encouraged by the proposal's focus on key priority areas, including healthcare access, behavioral health, in-home supportive services, child care, food assistance, public safety, wildfire prevention, and environmental sustainability.

ProduceGood urges the Board of Supervisors to approve this proposal and begin the process of developing a robust fiscal strategy that reflects community priorities and protects San Diego's future.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to responsible, equitable governance.

Sincerely,

Alexandra White

Executive Director and Co-founder

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RE: Support for Sustainable Fiscal Planning Subcommittee Proposal

Dear Chair Lawson-Remer and Members of the Board,

As San Diego County Superintendent of Schools, I am writing to express my strong support for the proposal to establish an **Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Sustainable Fiscal Planning**, brought forward by Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer and Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe.

San Diego County is facing serious fiscal uncertainty due to unprecedented state and federal disinvestment in essential programs. Cuts to Medicaid, SNAP, housing, Medi-Cal, and other core services—alongside unfunded mandates and increased local burdens—risk destabilizing the safety net and undermining the County's ability to meet urgent community needs.

As an organization that serves the nearly 500,000 students in San Diego County public schools—54% of whom are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, a measure of poverty—we know firsthand how vital County services are to the well-being of residents, especially low-income youth, families, and communities. These services cannot be left vulnerable to external political decisions made in Washington or Sacramento. And this is happening at a time of growing local challenges, including urgent action needed to tackle the Tijuana River pollution crisis.

The proposed Strategic Fiscal Planning Subcommittee offers a proactive, community-centered approach to:

- Safeguard essential services,
- Explore equitable local financing solutions,
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- Maintain the County's strong financial standing.

I am particularly encouraged by the proposal's focus on key priority areas, including healthcare access, behavioral health, in-home supportive services, childcare, food assistance, public safety, wildfire prevention, and environmental sustainability.

I urge the Board of Supervisors to approve this proposal and begin the process of developing a robust fiscal strategy that reflects community priorities and protects San Diego County's future.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to responsible, equitable governance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gloria E. Ciriza

County Superintendent of Schools