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Dear Clerk of the Board,

My name is Jennifer Dery, and I am a San Diego County resident. Please accept the following comment for the official record of the July 22, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting regarding Item 8 and Item 10.

Item 8: Response to H.R.1 – The "One Big Beautiful Bill"

Hello, my name is Jennifer Dery, and I strongly support the County's effort to respond to H.R.1

The timeline is far too slow and the scope must be expanded however.

This legislation poses serious risks to programs like CalFresh, Medi-Cal, Section 8, LGBTQ+ housing support, and more. These changes would impact thousands of residents, particularly low-income households, disabled individuals, and immigrant families.

I urge the Board to act immediately to stabilize CalFresh processing, maintain tenant legal aid, and protect housing assistance. Please allocate unassigned reserves if federal funding does not materialize. Partner with trusted community organizations in the response, and ensure behavioral health and substance use services remain fully supported.

Key questions that need answers:

- When will recipients of federal assistance be officially notified?
- Will community-based organizations be brought into planning before September?

- Will equity impact assessments be completed and shared with the public?
- Will the Board issue a formal statement to Congress opposing H.R.1?

Residents need urgent, transparent, and community-driven action now.

Item 10: Know Your Rights ICE Training Program

Hello, my name is Jennifer Dery, and I support the County's Know Your Rights training for small businesses in the wake of the ICE raid at Buona Forchetta.

Please ensure this training is multilingual, trauma-informed, and implemented in all five districts, particularly those with high immigrant populations. Partner with immigrant-led organizations and legal experts in designing the program. Our communities deserve safety and preparation.

Thank you for giving these critical issues the attention they require.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Dery
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