

MOTION

TO CITY CLERK'S OFFICE FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

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A recent report by the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) states that sixty-three percent of Los Angeles residents are renters, comprising 874,365 households. LAHD further reports that fifty-six percent of Los Angeles residential households are rent burdened, paying more than thirty percent of their income for rent, and another twenty-six percent are severely rent burdened, paying more than fifty percent of household income for rent. In addition to enduring some of the worst affordability challenges in the nation, Los Angeles residential households faced increased financial hardships during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council District 13 has over 101,000 multi-family rental units, the highest number in any Council District, as well as the highest number of rent stabilized units. According to LAHD, the district also had the highest number of applications for emergency rental assistance. LAHD paid \$321 million on behalf of City renters under the locally administered Emergency Rental Assistance Programs, with over 57,000 approved applications. High vulnerability areas will require additional support as emergency tenant protections come to an end, including Historic Filipinotown, Westlake, East Hollywood, Wilshire Center, Little Armenia, and Melrose.

From the beginning of the pandemic, Council District 13 Rental assistance program was established and with \$1 million from AB 1290 Funds were provided to help 500 CD13 households stay in their homes. To address the continued need for financial assistance, Council District 13, in partnership with LAHD, will initiate a rental aid program for district residents. The Council District AB 1290 Fund provides funding for redevelopment and community services. Sufficient funds are available in the Council District 13 portion of the AB 1290 Fund for this purpose.

I THEREFORE MOVE that \$3 million in the AB 1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281213 (CD 13 Redevelopment Projects – Services) be transferred/appropriated to the Housing Fund No. 100/43, Account No. 3040 (Contractual Services), for services to support the rental aid program for eligible renters in Council District 13.

I FURTHER MOVE that Los Angeles Housing Department be authorized, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions, including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers to effectuate the intent of this Motion; said corrections/clarifications may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY: 

MITCH O'FARRELL

Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY: 

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