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The City of Los Angeles, through its City Attorney's Office, received the Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma (ReCAST) grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). ReCAST aims to provide community-based violence prevention and mental health services in the South Los Angeles area in response to the 2020 civil unrest and its aftermath. The City Council accepted this five-year grant award on September 13, 2023 (CF No. 22-1316).

ReCAST serves high-risk youth and their families in South LA through a program known as the REACH Team. Working in conjunction with local community-based service providers and LAPD, the REACH Team focuses on community-based participatory approaches, equitable access to trauma-informed community behavioral health resources, and strengthening behavioral health services through culturally responsive approaches.

Since October 1, 2024 to date, LAPD has referred over 294 families with 355 children. At least 166 children or young adults have accepted some form of crisis counseling, individual or group counseling or have joined a ReCAST grief counseling group following a homicide. Families have also benefitted from a multitude of other resources from our community partners including groceries, clothes, emergency housing and more. Youth have joined organized sports programs, tutoring programs, trade school placements, financial literacy programs, art therapy, life-skill classes, self-esteem programs for teen girls and more through ReCAST.

To facilitate the continued operation and effectiveness of ReCAST, it is necessary to authorize the transfer of funds to cover essential program-related expenses.

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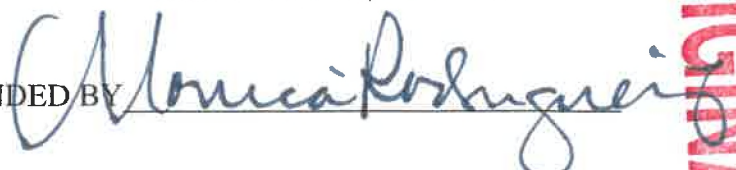
1. AUTHORIZE the Controller to transfer \$124,213.01 from Fund 368, Department 12, Account 12A350 - Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma Program (ReCAST) Year 3 to Fund 100, Department 70, Account 001092 – Sworn Overtime.

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