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Inter-Jurisdictional Purchasing Agreements

During these challenging economic times and projections of lesser-than-anticipated revenue, the County of Los Angeles must explore all possible options to minimize the impact of these forecasted reductions and increase operating efficiencies.

In private industry, cooperatives and associations are formed to increase negotiating and buying power. Currently the County participates in a national cooperative purchasing program for goods and commodities. The County should also explore similar partnerships with other public entities such as the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and other municipalities within the County to achieve savings for purchases of specialized services such as health care insurance rates, especially as industry experts have been projecting an increase in health care costs.

THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Internal Services Department

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to:

1. Pursue greater inter-jurisdictional coordination in the purchase of services in an effort to achieve savings by leveraging the purchasing power of the County as well as the market power of multi-jurisdictional collaboration; and
2. Report back in 30 days with the mechanisms and process for implementation, as well as a projection of cost-savings.

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