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**SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS STATEMENT
ON OFFICE RENOVATION**

At my request, the December 1 board letter authorizing renovation of the Second District headquarters was today referred back to the Chief Executive Officer by unanimous vote at this morning's Board meeting.

As I made it known a week ago, we are ordering an independent review to re-scope and re-evaluate the proposed project as deemed appropriate.

Pursuant to today's vote, the CEO will review the condition of the workspace, including building code violations, other safety concerns and energy efficiency, and proceed consistent with Board policy.

Discussion of the proposed repair and renovation work has become a needless distraction inflamed by misleading and erroneous information.

As was my objective from the outset, we will continue to make service to the constituents of the Second District our top priority. They deserve the very best that the County of Los Angeles has to offer and I intend to meet their expectations.

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