

**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS**

**MARCH 31, 2020**

**Expansion of Tenant Protections During the COVID-19 Crisis to Stabilize the Housing Market and Prevent Homelessness**

**Relates to Agenda Item 15**

On March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County (County) Board of Supervisors (Board) proclaimed the existence of a local health emergency (emergency) due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19 emergency). On March 19, 2020, pursuant to California Government Code section 8550 and County Code Section 2.68.150, the Chair of the Board issued an Executive Order, which among other actions, placed a temporary moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent by residential or commercial tenants in unincorporated areas impacted by COVID-19 (eviction moratorium). Agenda Item 15 ratifies this Executive Order, which will be in effect until May 31, 2020. This eviction moratorium will provide timely and necessary relief to tenants who are struggling due to the economic repercussions of the COVID-19 emergency. However, the following additional policy should be adopted to further stabilize the housing market and prevent Angelenos from falling into homelessness across the County at large due to this crisis, for the preservation of life and property.

**MOTION**

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**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Amend the language in the Executive Order to prohibit rent increases during the eviction moratorium duration to the extent permitted by State law and consistent with Chapter 8.52 of the Los Angeles County Code – Rent Stabilization.

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