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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE

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We are repeatedly faced with concerns about the impact of homelessness in the downtown area of Los Angeles on residents, business owners, and the community at large. In an effort to address these concerns, periodically the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) has conducted sweeps of the areas in which homeless individuals, many who are mentally ill or have substance abuse issues, are known to congregate. In order to ensure that such sweeps are initiated in a humane manner that minimizes the possibility of adverse actions, it is recommended that the Department of Mental Health and the Alcohol and Drug Program Administration (ADPA) of the Department of Health Services, which have expertise in working with this population, work with the LAPD in addressing this issue.

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

Direct the Departments of Mental Health and Health Services, ADPA to collaborate with the LAPD in developing strategies for the planning and execution of

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sweeps in order to minimize any adverse outcomes for seriously and chronically mentally ill homeless individuals and those suffering with substance abuse issues.

**I, FURTHER, MOVE** that the Departments of Mental Health and Health Services, ADPA report back to this Board within 60 days on the results of this collaboration.

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