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TO: Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, Chair
Supervisor Gloria Molina
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Supervisor Don Knabe
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

FROM: Mark J. Saladino
Treasurer and Tax Collector

SUBJECT: **BUSINESS LICENSE ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 2008**

At the meeting of September 30, 1997, your Board approved amendments to the Los Angeles County Code requiring the Treasurer and Tax Collector, in cooperation with the Sheriff and the Department of Health Services, to implement a reporting format to track business license enforcement activity and to provide a quarterly summary to the Board of all license enforcement activities performed by the appropriate agencies.

A copy of the Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2008 is attached for your information. Detailed enforcement activity is available upon request.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (213) 974-2101 or your staff may contact John McKinney of my staff at (213) 974-0070.

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Attachments

c: Business License Commission

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ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT
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Medical Marijuana Dispensary, 8714 Norwalk Boulevard, Whittier (First District)

On June 16, 2008, in response to a complaint received from County Counsel, TTC conducted a complaint investigation at a business located at 8714 Norwalk Boulevard, Whittier. The investigation revealed a medical marijuana dispensary operating without a business license. The business was issued a Notice of Violation to cease operation until the proper business license was obtained. On July 3rd, the attorney representing the property owner contacted County Counsel to state that they were taking action to terminate the tenancy and were changing the locks to the business.

La Fortaleza Bar, 4031 Medford Avenue, Los Angeles (First District)

On June 18, 2008, in response to a request from the East Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, a hearing was set to deny the renewal of the Public Eating Business License for La Fortaleza Bar, located at 4031 Medford Avenue, Los Angeles. Specifically, investigations by the Sheriff's Department revealed violations of State Law and County Codes at the business. During the past twelve months, there have been 40 narcotic-related arrests at the location, at least 25 additional narcotic-related arrests in the immediate area, 1 search warrant resulting in 5 narcotic-related arrests, and ABC has an ongoing investigation on the revocation of their alcohol sales license. The Sheriff's Department believes that this business is a detriment to the public safety, health and welfare of the community at large. A hearing rescheduled for July 2, 2008 has been rescheduled for August 6, 2008.

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BUSINESS LICENSE INSPECTIONS

NUMBER OF BUSINESSES INSPECTED	
TTC	633
SHERIFF	62
HEALTH SERVICES	18
TOTAL	713

	In-Compliance	Not In-Compliance
TTC	463	170
SHERIFF	50	12
HEALTH SERVICES	17	1
TOTAL	530	183

	Violations Corrected	Corrections Pending
TTC	54	116
SHERIFF	12	0
HEALTH SERVICES	1	0
TOTAL	67	116

CALLS FOR SERVICE (TTC ONLY)

	CONSTITUENT INITIATED	REFERRALS FROM OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
Businesses Inspected	2	1
In-Compliance	0	0
Not In-Compliance	2	1
License Not Required	0	0
Violations Corrected	2	1
Referred to Business License Commission	0	0