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FROM: Mark J. Saladino
Treasurer and Tax Collector

SUBJECT: **BUSINESS LICENSE ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 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 Kathy Waters of my staff at (213) 893-7968.

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Attachments

c: Business License Commission

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BUSINESS LICENSE ENFORCEMENT
ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT
FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

Taxicab Code Enforcement (First District)

On July 11, 2008, a taxicab code compliance sting operation was held in unincorporated East Los Angeles. The operation was conducted by the East Los Angeles Sheriff's COPS team and TTC. The briefing was held at the East Los Angeles Sheriff station. The results of the operation were: seven (7) taxicab vehicles were impounded for operating without a County of Los Angeles Taxicab Vehicle Business License and seven (7) taxicab drivers were issued misdemeanor citations for operating a taxicab without a County of Los Angeles Taxicab Drivers Business License.

Willowbrook Nuisance Abatement (Second District)

On August 13, 2008, the Willowbrook Nuisance Abatement Team (NAT) requested TTC participation at their nuisance abatement operation. The briefing was held at the Firestone Sheriff Station located at 7901 Compton Avenue. Participating at this operation were representatives of County Fire Department, Environmental Health, Department of Regional Planning, Animal Control, County Sheriff, District Attorney's Office and TTC. The business license related visits included a truck repair business located at 13344 S. Main Street. The owner was issued a Notice of Violation for operating a motor vehicle repair business without a business license. Also, TTC issued a verbal warning to a resident at 13227 Carlton Avenue, for conducting a motor vehicle repair business at his residence.

Vendor Code Enforcement Lennox (Second District)

On September 9, 2008, TTC participated at the nuisance abatement vendor sweep in unincorporated Lennox. The multi-agency task force held a briefing at the Public Works Department located at 5530 W. 83rd Street, Los Angeles. Members of the task force were Environmental Programs, County Health, Public Works, Lennox Sheriff's Station and TTC. This vendor sweep targeted illegal vending at schools in the Lennox area. Five schools were visited. At Mofet Elementary, two illegal ice-cream push carts were confiscated by the Health Department. At Buford Elementary, the taco trucks had valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicles Business Licenses. At Felton Elementary, illegal ice cream push carts were confiscated by the Health Department. At Firmona Elementary, illegal vending was observed and all the goods were confiscated. At Jefferson Elementary, the taco trucks had valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business Licenses. There was an additional stop at Lennox Park. The produce trucks at the park had valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business Licenses.

On September 12, 2008, TTC participated at a vendor code enforcement operation in unincorporated Lennox. A briefing was held at the Public Works yard located at 5530 W. 83rd Street. Eight locations were visited with the following results. At Lennox and Inglewood Avenues, three illegal food vendors were observed. Goods ranging from food to pirated cd's were confiscated by the Health Department. At 104th Street and Hawthorne Avenue, the catering truck operator had a valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business License. At Lennox Avenue and Prairie Avenue, one illegal food vendor was observed and all goods were confiscated by the Health Department. At Lennox Avenue and Hawthorne Avenue, the taco truck had a valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business License and no action was taken. At Hawthorne Avenue and Grevillea, an illegal food vendor was observed and the goods confiscated. At Inglewood Avenue and 104th Street, the taco truck operator had a valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business License and no action was taken by TTC. At Inglewood

and Lennox Avenue, catering truck operator had a valid Peddler Commercial Motor Vehicle Business License and no action was taken by TTC. At 106th Street and Vermont Avenue, an illegal taco stand was observed. All goods along with the cart, grill, chairs and the lighting system were knocked down and confiscated by the Health Department. The participating agencies were Environmental Program, Health Department, Public Works, Regional Planning, Lennox Sheriff Station and TTC.

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BUSINESS LICENSE INSPECTIONS

NUMBER OF BUSINESSES INSPECTED	
TTC	552
SHERIFF	66
HEALTH SERVICES	18
TOTAL	636

	In-Compliance	Not In-Compliance
TTC	400	152
SHERIFF	54	12
HEALTH SERVICES	18	0
TOTAL	472	164

	Violations Corrected	Corrections Pending
TTC	58	94
SHERIFF	12	0
HEALTH SERVICES	0	0
TOTAL	70	94

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