### MEMORANDUM TO FILE

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DATE: December 13, 2005

COUNCIL FILE NO.: 03-0232

RE: EXPIRED COUNCIL FILE

This memorandum notes the expiration of the accompanying Council file/contents; the file is deemed terminated (received and filed) and the subject matter contained herein is closed. No other action is forthcoming.

Pursuant to Council action of September 13, 2005, all Council files pending before the City Council, which have not been placed on a Council or Committee agenda for consideration for a period of two years or more, are deemed received and filed (CF 05-0553). City Clerk, Council File Index Section: 213.978.1044

Maria L. Espinoza Legislative Assistant

cc: Index Section

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When making inquiries relative to this matter refer to File No.

03-0232

July 17, 2003

Councilmember Holden
Councilmember Perry
Chief Legislative Analyst
City Administrative Officer
City Attorney (w/Blue sheet)
Personnel Committee Clerk
Attn: I. Shapiro (w/file)

RE: ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 15 TO CHAPTER 1 OF THE LOS ANGELES ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE CITY REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN OR PROFITS DERIVED FROM SLAVERY BY ANY COMPANY DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

At the meeting of the Council held <u>JUNE 20, 2003</u>, the following action was taken:

Attached motion (Holden - Perry) adopted	X
Attached resolution adopted	
Mayor approved	
To the Mayor FORTHWITH	X
Ordinance adopted	6-27-03
Ordinance number	175346
Posted date	7-7-03
Effective date	8-16-03

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ordinance no. <u>175346</u>

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ORD OF INTENT: HEARING DATE \_\_\_\_\_\_ ASSESSMENT CONFIRMATION

ORDINANCE FOR DISTRIBUTION: Yes [] No []

### ORDINANCE NO. 175346

An ordinance adding a new Article 15 to Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to provide information to the City regarding participation in or profits derived from slavery by any company doing business with the City.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES , ' DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A new Article 15 is added to Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to read:

### **CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 15**

## REGULATIONS REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN OR PROFITS DERIVED FROM SLAVERY BY ANY COMPANY DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY

Sec. 10.41. Definitions.

- A. "Awarding Authority" means a subordinate or component entity or person of the City, such as a City Department or Board of Commissioners, that has the authority to enter into a Contract or agreement for the provision of goods or services on behalf of the City of Los Angeles.
- **B.** "Company" means any person, firm, corporation, partnership or combination of these.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement, franchise, lease or concession including an agreement for any occasional professional or technical personal services, the performance of any work or service, the provision of any materials or supplies or rendering of any service to the City of Los Angeles or the public, which is let, awarded or entered into with or on behalf of the City of Los Angeles or any Awarding Authority of the City.
- D. "Designated Administrative Agency (DAA)" means the Contract Enforcement Section of the Office of the City Administrative Officer.
- E. "Enslaved Person" means any person who was wholly subject to the will of another and whose person and services were wholly under the control of another and who was in a state of enforced compulsory service to another during the Slavery Era.

- **F. "Investment** " means to make use of an Enslaved Person for future benefits or advantages.
  - G. "Participation" means having been a Slaveholder during the Slavery Era.
- H. "Predecessor Company" means an entity whose ownership, title and interest, including all rights, benefits, duties and liabilities were acquired in an uninterrupted chain of succession by the Company.
- I. "Profits" means any economic advantage or financial benefit derived from the use of Enslaved Persons.
  - J. "Slavery" means the practice of owning Enslaved Persons.
- **K. "Slavery Era"** means that period of time in the United States of America prior to 1865.
- L. "Slaveholder" means holders of Enslaved Persons, owners of business enterprises using Enslaved Persons, owners of vessels carrying Enslaved Persons or other means of transporting Enslaved Persons, merchants or financiers dealing in the purchase, sale or financing of the business of Enslaved Persons.
- **M.** "Slaveholder Insurance Policies" means policies issued to or for the benefit of Slaveholders to insure them against the death of, or injury to, Enslaved Persons.

### Sec. 10.41.1. Purpose of Slavery Era Business Corporate/Insurance Disclosure.

Many early American industries including, but not limited to, insurance, banking, tobacco, cotton, railroads, and shipping, realized enormous Profits by utilizing the uncompensated labor of Enslaved Persons. Many individuals and business enterprises were directly enriched by the labor of Enslaved Persons or benefited from insurance policies insuring Enslaved Persons.

The City of Los Angeles, whose citizenry includes descendants of Enslaved Persons, is entitled to full disclosure of any Participation in or Profits derived through Slavery by Companies seeking to do business with the City.

The State of California has implemented Insurance Code Sections 13810-13813 requiring insurance companies to provide information to the California Department of Insurance regarding Slaveholder Insurance Policies sold during the Slavery Era as part of its licensing and renewal procedure.

In further support of this legislative act and to further promote the ideals the act embraces, this ordinance requires those seeking to do business with the City to fully and accurately disclose any and all Participation in or Profits derived from Slavery.

- **Sec. 10.41.2.** Each Awarding Authority, shall require that any Company that enters into a Contract with the City, whether the Contract is subject to competitive bidding or not, shall complete an affidavit, prior to or contemporaneous with entering into the Contract, certifying that:
- **A.** The Company has searched any and all records of the Company, or any Predecessor Company, regarding records of Participation or Investments in, or Profits derived, from Slavery, including Slaveholder Insurance Policies issued during the Slavery Era; and
- B. Disclosed any and all records of Participation in or Profits derived by the Company, or any Predecessor Company, from Slavery, including issuance of Slaveholder Insurance Policies, during the Slavery Era, and identified the names of any Enslaved Persons or Slaveholders described in the records.

The Awarding Authority may terminate the Contract if a Company fails to fully and accurately complete the affidavit.

- **Sec. 10.41.3.** Exceptions. This article shall not be applicable to the following Contracts:
- A. Contracts for the investment of: (1) City trust moneys or bond proceeds; (2) pension funds; (3) indentures, security enhancement agreements for City tax-exempt and taxable financings; (4) deposits of City surplus funds in financial institutions; (5) the investment of City moneys in securities permitted under the California State Government Code and/or the City's investment policy; (6) investment agreements, whether competitively bid or not; (7) repurchase agreements; (8) City moneys invested in United States government securities; and (9) Contracts involving City moneys in which the Treasurer or the City Administrative Officer finds that the City will incur a financial loss or forego a financial benefit, and which in the opinion of the Treasurer or the City Administrative Officer would violate his or her fiduciary duties.
- **B.** Grant funded Contracts if the application of this article would violate or be inconsistent with the terms or conditions of a grant or Contract with an agency of the United States, the State of California or the instruction of an authorized representative of any of those agencies with respect to any grant or Contract.
- C. Contracts with a governmental entity such as the United States of America, the State of California, a county, city or public agency of one of these entities, or a

public or quasi-public corporation located in the United States and declared by law to have a public status.

- D. Contracts awarded on the basis of exigent circumstances whenever any Awarding Authority finds that the City would suffer a financial loss or that City operations would be adversely impacted unless exempted from the provisions of this article. This finding must be approved by the DAA prior to Contract execution.
- E. Contracts with any Company that has been designated as a non-profit organization pursuant to the United States Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3).
- F. Contracts for the furnishing of articles covered by letters patent granted by the government of the United States or where the goods or services are proprietary or only available from a single source.
- **G.** Contracts awarded on the basis of urgent necessity in accordance with Charter Section 371(e) (5).
  - I. Contracts entered into pursuant to Charter Section 371 (e) (6).
  - J. Contracts entered into pursuant to Charter Section 371 (e) (7).

### Sec. 10.41.4. Administration.

- **A.** The DAA shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement this article within sixty days after the effective date of this ordinance.
- **B.** The DAA shall develop an affidavit to be used by Awarding Authorities within sixty days after the effective date of this ordinance.
- **C.** The DAA shall administer the requirements of this article and monitor compliance, including investigation of alleged violations.

### Sec. 10.41.5 Application of this Article.

- **A.** This article shall be applicable to Contracts entered into after the rules and regulations have been promulgated by the DAA.
- **B.** This article shall be applicable to Contract amendments entered into after the rules and regulations have been promulgated by the DAA where the initial Contract was not subject to the provisions of this article.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located in the Main Street lobby to the City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the ground level at the Los Angeles Street entrance to the Los Angeles Police Department; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Council of the City of Los Angeles	egoing ordinance was introduced at the meeting of the $2.0 2003$ , and was passed at its meeting of
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ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Atto	rney
By KITTY REBER Deputy City Attorney	<b></b>
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### DECLARATION OF POSTING ORDINANCE

I, MARIA C. RICO, state as follows: I am, and was at all times hereinafter mentioned, a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and a Deputy City Clerk of the City of Los Angeles, California.

Ordinance No. 175346 - Added a new Article 15 to Chapter 1 of the L.A.A.C. to provide information to the City regarding participation in or profits derived from slavery by any company doing business with the City - a copy of which is hereto attached, was finally adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on June 27, 2003, and under the direction of said City Council and the City Clerk, pursuant to Section 251 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles and Ordinance No. 172959, on July 7, 2003, I posted a true copy of said ordinance at each of three public places located in the City of Los Angeles, California, as follows: 1) One copy on the bulletin board at the Main Street entrance to Los Angeles City Hall; 2) one copy on the bulletin board at the ground level Los Angeles Street entrance to the Los Angeles Police Department; and 3) one copy on the bulletin board at the Temple Street entrance to the Hall of Records of the County of Los Angeles.

Copies of said ordinance were posted conspicuously beginning on <u>July 7</u>, and will be continuously posted for ten or more days.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed this 7th day of July 2003 at Los Angeles, California.

Maria C. Rico, Deputy City Clerk

Ordinance Effective Date: August 16, 2003 Council File No. 03-0232 (Rev. 3/21/03)

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### VERBAL MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that Council ADOPT the following recommendation of the City Attorney, Special Meeting agenda (Item No. 2, CF 03-0232) relative to regulations regarding participation in or profits derived from slavery by any company doing business with the City, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE adding a new Article 15 to Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to provide information to the City regarding participation in or profits derived from slavery by any company doing business with the City of Los Angeles.

(Personnel and Budget and Finance Committees waived consideration of the above matter)

PRESENTED BY		
	NATE HOLDEN	
	Councilmember,	10th District
SECONDED BY		
	JAN PERRY	9th District

June 20, 2003

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL TO THE MAYOR FORTH

### COUNCIL VOTE

Jun 27, 2003 10:46:42 AM, #1

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Voting on Item(s): 4-5,7-17
Roll Call

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Present: 13,	Yes:	13	No:	0

### COUNCIL VOTE

Jun 20, 2003 1:44:06 PM, #11

ITEM NO. (1)

Voting on Item(s): 1

Roll Call

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# EVERYONE JOIN IN UNITY MARCH FOR REPARATIONS

JULY 4TH 7AM-8AM

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**ENDS: 102 & BROADWAY** 

AT 4TH ANNUAL SOLDIERS FOR

REPARATIONS FESTIVAL WITH MR.

PEOPLE. 8AM-6PM

CONTACT: PEOPLES 310-632-0577

PLANNING MEETINGS FOR MARCHES:
FRI JUNE 20TH 7PM & FRI JUNE 27TH 7PM
4167 S. NORMANDIE
CALL: WARREN 323-737-8455

### WHY MARCH?

MARCHING IS A SYMBOL OF VICTORY AND PROOF OF UNITY!

STAND UP, BE COUNTED, SPEAK OUT!

MARCH FOR PAYDAY, HEALING & QUALITY LIVING

\*\*\* MARCH ORGANIZED BY <u>COALITION FOR BLACKS BEST INTEREST</u> \*\*\*
PO BOX 15494 LA, CA 90015-0494 323-737-8455

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OPEN COMMUNITY MEETING COME TO 4167 NORMANDIE 7PM
JUNE 20TH AND JUNE 27TH
AGENDA:

POSITIVE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SUMMER FAMILY FUN

Recommendation To Item #1

# From' Warren Williams Coalition for BIACKS BEST INTEREST 323-439-8455

523-439-8455 PO BOX 15494 LA, CA 90015-0494

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### **IMMEDIATE NEWS RELEASE:**

ALL ISSUES WORTH MARCHING FOR ARE INCLUDED WHEN PEOPLE UNITED MARCH IN LOVE FOR QUALITY LIVING WITH RIGHTEOUS JOY.

Celebrate More of Dads' Month
With Warren & His Two Sons
June 28, 2003
Join In Our
Dads' March
To the Normandie Avenue Festival

We Welcome All Families, Churches, Schools, Neighbors, Organizations, Businesses To Participate.

Time of March: 11 to Noon
Time of Festival: Noon to 7pm
March Starts at 54th St. and Normandie
March Ends at Normandie and Slauson

Contacts:

Dads' March 323-737-8455 Normandie Festival 310-603-0777 Themes:

Normandie Festival: "Let's Be Pleasant."

Dads' Month: "Love One Another."

Kindness is Pleasant Medicine and Love is God's Herb of Peace. -Warren





2003 JUN 19 AM 9: 28

CITY CLERK FRICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY
ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO
CITY ATTORNEY
DEPUTY

REPORT NO. <u>03-0277</u> June 18, 2003

### **REPORT RE:**



(SEIL) 347

DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LOS ANGELES ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REQUIRE COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT INDICATING THAT THEY HAVE SEARCHED THEIR RECORDS REGARDING RECORDS OF PARTICIPATION IN OR PROFITS FROM SLAVERY AND TO DISCLOSE THE NAMES OF ANY ENSLAVED PERSON OR SLAVEHOLDER DESCRIBED IN THOSE RECORDS.

The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Room 395, City Hall 200 North Main Street Los Angeles, California 90012

(Council File No. 03-0232)

#### **Honorable Members:**

This office has prepared and now transmits for your action the attached draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. This ordinance amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code implements a requirement that all entities doing business with the City disclose any participation in or profits obtained from slavery and requires each contractor who enters into a contract with the City to complete an affidavit verifying that the contractor has searched any and all records of the company or any predecessor company regarding records of participation in or profits from slavery or slaveholders insurance policies during the slavery era.

**Background and Summary of Ordinance Provisions** 

PERSONNEL BUDGET AND FINANCE The Honorable City Council of the City of Los Angeles Page 2.

On May 16, 2003 the City Council directed this office to draft an ordinance requiring Slavery Era Business and Corporate Insurance Disclosure by City Contractors. On February 7, 2003, Councilman Nate Holden introduced a motion, which set forth the request that the City should do its part to redress the wrongs stemming from slavery by requiring any entity, corporation, partnership or company doing business with the City of Los Angeles to take any and all steps to disclose any records in their possession, or their predecessors, of knowledge relating to participation in profits from the slavery industry including insurance policies issued to slaveholders that provided coverage for damage to or death of their slaves. The motion further suggests the requirement that each contractor with whom the City enters into a contract complete an affidavit verifying that the contractor has searched any and all records of the company or any predecessor company regarding participation in or profits from slavery and to disclose the names of any slaves or slaveholders described in those records.

### Council Rule 38 Referral

Pursuant to Council Rule 38, a copy of the draft ordinance is being sent, concurrently with this transmittal, to the City Administrative Officer, Department of General Services and Department of Public Works for comments to be provided during Council's consideration of this ordinance.

If you have any questions, please contact Kitty Reber at (213) 978-8143. Either she or another member of this office will be available when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

By TERREE BOWERS

**Chief Assistant City Attorney** 

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Adrienne Bass, Legislative Assistant

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Fire Commission / Department	(Mail Stop 250)
General services Department.	(Mail Stop 508)
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HELEN GINSBURG
Chief, Council and Public Services Division

May 20, 2003

City Attorney (with blue sheet)
Personnel Committee,
Attn: I. Shapiro (with file)
Councilmember Holden
Councilmember Perry
City Administrative Officer
Chief Legislative Analyst

RE: REQUIRING SLAVERY ERA BUSINESS AND CORPORATE INSURANCE DISCLOSURES FROM CITY CONTRACTORS

At the meeting of the Council held <u>May 16, 2003</u>, the following action was taken:

Attached report adopted	X
Attached motion ( - ) adopted	
Attached resolution adopted	
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Mayor concurred	
Motion adopted to approve committee report recommendation(s)	
Motion adopted to approve communication recommendation(s)	
Findings adopted	
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# TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your BUDGET AND FINANCE Committee

reports as follows:

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to requiring slavery era business and corporate insurance disclosures from City contractors.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Holden-Perry):

- 1. REQUEST the City Attorney prepare and present an Ordinance requiring Slavery Era Business and Corporate Insurance Disclosures by City contractors.
- 2. APPROVE in concept, the designation of the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) as the administrative agency responsible for administering the proposed ordinance.
- 3. REFER Recommendation No. 3 on the CAO report dated May 9, 2003, to the Personnel Committee for consideration.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that there is no impact to the General Fund.

#### Summary:

On February 7, 2003, the subject Motion (Holden-Perry) relative to requesting the City Attorney draft an ordinance requiring any entity doing business with the City to disclose to the public whether it, or any of its predecessors, had derived any profit from the slave industry was introduced and referred to the Budget and Finance (B&F) Committee for consideration. The ordinance would require any City contractor to provide and sign a slavery era business and corporate insurance disclosure before contract execution. The affidavit would verify that the contractor had searched all of its company records, and those of its predecessor companies, to determine whether it had any investments or derived any profits from slavery, and whether any slaveholder insurance polices had been sold by the company or its predecessors. If records are found, the company would be required to disclose them on the affidavit. The Chair of the B&F Committee requested the CAO and the City Attorney to review the subject Motion and report back to Committee with recommendations.



In a report dated May 9, 2003, the CAO states that the proposed ordinance would be similar to laws already adopted by the State of California and the City of Chicago. At least two other jurisdictions are also considering adopting similar laws, including the State of Tennessee and the City of Detroit. In August 2000, the City Council adopted a resolution in support of legislation introduced in 1999 in the United States Congress establishing a federal commission to study proposals for reparations for slavery.

The CAO indicates that, if this ordinance is adopted, an administrative agency must be designated for its implementation. ensure consistency in administration and increase efficiency, the CAO is recommending that the CAO's Contractor Enforcement Section be designated as the administrative agency. This Section of the CAO already administers five other Citywide ordinances (Living Wage, Service Contractor Worker Retention, Equal Benefits, Contractor Responsibility, and Contractor Evaluation) and reviews contracts to ensure they are in compliance with these ordinances. Because of the increased workload that would result from this proposed ordinance, the CAO is requesting that a vacant position, within this section, be exempted from the hiring freeze if the ordinance is adopted.

At its regular meeting on May 14, 2003, the Budget and Finance Committee discussed this matter and approved recommendations #1 and 2 of the CAO report dated May 9, 2003 and referred recommendation #3 to the Personnel Committee for further consideration.

This matter is now being forwarded to Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

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#### REPORT FROM

### OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Date:

May 9, 2003

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Council File No. 03-0232

Council District:

To:

Council

From:

William T Fujioka, City Administrative Officer

Reference:

Budget and Finance Committee Referral of February 24, 2003

Subject:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUIRING SLAVERY ERA BUSINESS AND

CORPORATE INSURANCE DISCLOSURES FROM CITY CONTRACTORS

#### SUMMARY

On February 7, 2003, the Council considered a Holden-Perry motion (CF-03-0232) requesting the Office of the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance requiring any entity doing business with the City to disclose to the public whether it, or any of its predecessors, had derived any profit from the slave industry. The proposed ordinance would require any contractor entering into a contract with the City to sign a disclosure affidavit before contract execution. The affidavit would verify that the contractor has searched all of its company records, and those of its predecessor companies, to determine whether it had any investments or derived any profits from slavery, and whether any slaveholder insurance policies had been sold by the company or its predecessors. If records are found, the company would be required to disclose them on the affidavit. The motion was referred to the Budget and Finance Committee, which requested the Office of City Administrative Officer (CAO) to review the matter.

The proposed ordinance would be similar to laws already adopted by the State of California and the City of Chicago. At least two other jurisdictions are also considering adopting similar laws, including the State of Tennessee, and the City of Detroit. As of the date of this report, however, It does not appear that either of these jurisdictions has adopted a slave era disclosure law.

With respect to the City of Los Angeles, this Office has received a letter from the Citizen's Committee to Support Human Rights Legislation in support of such an ordinance. The letter (Attachment 1) urges the City Council to adopt the ordinance because it would be consistent with the City Council's record of "legislative activism." Also, in August 2000, the City Council adopted a resolution in support of legislation introduced in 1999 into the United States Congress by Representative John Conyers of Michigan. That legislation would have established a federal commission to study proposals for reparations for slavery.

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If this ordinance is adopted, an administrative agency must be designated for its implementation. To ensure consistency in administration and increase efficiency, this Office is recommending that the CAO's Contractor Enforcement Section be designated as the administrative agency. The Contractor Enforcement Section already administers five other City-wide ordinances (Living Wage, Service Contractor Worker Retention, Equal Benefits, Contractor Responsibility, and Contractor Evaluation) and reviews contracts to ensure they are in compliance with those ordinances. Because of the increased workload that would result from this proposed ordinance, the CAO is requesting that a vacant position within the Contractor Enforcement Section be exempted from the hiring freeze if the proposed ordinance is adopted.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### That the Council:

- 1. Request the City Attorney to report back to the Budget and Finance Committee with a draft ordinance requiring Slavery Era Business and Corporate Insurance Disclosure by contractors.
- 2. Approve in concept the designation of the Office of the City Administrative Officer as the administrative agency responsible for administering the proposed ordinance.
- 3. Subject to adoption of the proposed ordinance, exempt from the hiring freeze one Administrative Analyst II position in the Contractor Enforcement Section of the Office of the City Administrative Officer.

Number	Class Code	Class Title	Division
1	1590-2	Administrative Analyst II	Employee Relations -
		·	Contractor Enforcement Section

#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Unfreezing one Administrative Analyst II position will cost the General Fund \$61,491 in annual salary costs.

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#### **FINDINGS**

#### Other Similar Laws

Effective January 1, 2002, California Insurance Code Sections 13810, 13811, and 13812 require insurance companies licensed in California to provide information to the California Department of Insurance regarding slaveholder insurance policies, including the names of slaves and slaveholders, sold during the slavery era. "Slavery era" is defined by regulation to mean the time period prior to 1865. Failure to report would subject a carrier to suspension of the carrier's ability to conduct business in California. A May 2002 report issued by the Department of Insurance states that notices were sent to 1,357 carriers and responses were received from 92% of the subject companies. The vast majority of companies indicated they were not in existence at the time and had no such records, or had searched the available records and could not find such policies. Only eight insurance companies indicated they had found records of slaveholder policies.

The Chicago law, adopted in October of 2002, requires each contractor that enters into an agreement with the City of Chicago to complete an affidavit stating that it has searched all records and those of its predecessors for information about investments or profits from slavery, including slaveholder insurance policies sold during the slavery era. Under Chicago's program, contractors must submit the affidavit with their bid application. If a contractor's affidavit indicates that it found records of profits or investments from slavery, or that it sold slaveholder policies, the Department of Procurement Services would report that to its city council in an annual report. The Deputy Procurement Officer indicated, however, that to date, the City of Chicago has not received any response from any contractor stating that records regarding slaveholder policies or profits had been found.

In its research, the CAO found that the State of Tennessee and the City of Detroit are either considering adopting, or have considered adopting, similar laws. As of the date of this report, Tennessee is still considering the legislation. This Office has attempted to contact the city clerk for the City of Detroit but has not yet received a response. A search of Detroit's current municipal codes indicates, however, that Detroit has not yet adopted the law.

# Adopting a Disclosure Ordinance in the City of Los Angeles

This Office has received correspondence (Attachment 1) from the Citizen's Committee to Support Human Rights Legislation in support of the ordinance proposed in the Council motion. In sum, the letter urges the Los Angeles City Council to adopt a slavery era disclosure ordinance because it would be consistent with the City Council's record of "legislative activism." It should also be noted that in August 2000, the Los Angeles City Council adopted a resolution in support of legislation introduced in 1999 in the Unites States Congress by Representative John Conyers of Michigan. The legislation would have established a federal commission to study the impact of slavery and make recommendations as to possible remedies and proposals for reparations. The legislation has not passed.

#### Application of the Proposed Ordinance

So as not to conflict with State Government Code Section 53649, the proposed ordinance would not be applicable to banking contracts unless, in the opinion of the City Treasurer, it would not violate the Treasurer's fiduciary duty. Contracts that are grant-funded by the state or federal government must be in compliance with the procurement requirements of those agencies. Therefore, the application of the proposed ordinance to grant-funded contracts would follow notification to those agencies of the City's intent to apply this requirement. It would then be applied accordingly unless the respective agency so objects. This procedure is consistent with the City's prior practice in applying the Living Wage Ordinance and the Equal Benefits Ordinance to grant-funded contracts.

#### Administrative Impact and Staffing

Since the proposed ordinance is intended to apply to all contracts, the number of contracts it impacts would be similar to, if not greater than, the Equal Benefits Ordinance (EBO). The EBO applies to all City contracts over \$5000. Under the EBO, about 650 service contracts, 4,500 purchase contracts, and 150 construction contracts are affected each year. Thus, at minimum, the proposed ordinance would impact at least 5,300 contracts annually. As with the EBO, this proposed ordinance would require that contractors submit documents prior to contract execution.

Implementation of the proposed ordinance could be structured based on the general process outlined below:

- 1. Bidders/Contractors would fill out a disclosure affidavit at the bid/proposal stage and submit it with their bid or proposal. The affidavit might look like the form used by the City of Chicago, provided to the CAO by Chicago's Deputy Procurement Officer (Attachment 2).
- 2. Responses from the contractors would be sent to a centralized department designated as the administrative agency. The designated administrative agency would be responsible for reviewing the information submitted in the affidavit, compiling the information, and making it available to the public for review when requested.
- 3. The designated administrative agency would also be responsible for reviewing all proposed contracts to ensure that the contractor has submitted the required affidavit of disclosure.

To ensure consistency in administration and increase efficiency, this Office is recommending that administration of the proposed ordinance be centralized in the CAO's Contractor Enforcement Section. The Contractor Enforcement Section already administers five other City-wide ordinances: Living Wage, Service Contractor Worker Retention, Equal Benefits, Contractor Responsibility, and Contractor Evaluation. In addition to conducting audits of contractors, reviewing service contractors' Responsibility Questionnaires, and analyzing contractors' policies to ensure employee benefits are offered equally, the Section also reviews proposed contracts for compliance with the five ordinances.

When the CAO was given the responsibility of administering the five City-wide ordinances, nine administrative analyst positions were authorized for the Contractor Enforcement Section. However, one analyst position was deleted in the 2002-03 budget, and because of the City's hard hiring freeze, the CAO has not been able to fill three vacant analyst positions. Currently, the Contractor Enforcement Section is operating with only five analysts. In April 2003, the Council amended the

Equal Benefits Ordinance, which resulted in an expansion of the Ordinance to construction and purchase contracts. This added 4,500 purchase contracts and 150 construction contracts to the Section's workload.

If the CAO becomes the administrative agency for the proposed ordinance, the Contractor Enforcement Section's workload would further increase because at least 5,300 contracts annually will become subject to the slavery era disclosure requirement. To deal with the increased workload, the CAO is recommending that a vacant Administrative Analyst II position in the Contractor Enforcement Section be exempted from the hiring freeze.

Nghiem Tran

Sr. Administrative Analyst

Approved by:

Royce Menkus

Assistant City Administrative Officer

#### Attachment 1

# WHY SHOULD THE MOTION TO REQUIRE BUSINESS SELF-REPORTING OF RELATIONSHIPS TO SLAVE/SLAVE TRADE PROFITEERING BE SUPPORTED IN LOS ANGELES?

by
The Citizens' Committee to Support Human Rights Legislation

The City of Los Angeles is justly proud of its reputation as 'the most ethnically diverse city in the world.' In order to maintain that status, the Los Angeles City Council, among its many other duties and responsibilities, has fashioned an impressive track record of legislative activism intended to improve and promote Justice, fairness, tolerance and understanding between the diverse groups living, working and participating in the L.A. dynamic. Among the examples of such legislation, especially since the 1980's, are L.A.'s Discrimination Free Workplace Policy, the Days of Dialogue effort (which went national in 1998-99), the 1995 Worker Retention ordinance, the 2001 Displaced LAX Employees authorization for priority hiring, the Family Caregiver Support Program, the Los Angeles Living Wage and Benefits ordinance, the 2002 Anti-Predatory Lending Prevention and Enforcement ordinance, and the reaffirmation of the Los Angeles Policy Statement on Human Relations. The latter policy defines and explains the city council's continuing commitment to the principles and practices of a free, open and interactive urban environment that promotes ethnic, life style and gender understanding, tolerance, mutual respect and appreciation. Towards this end, the policy commits the L.A. City Council to passing and enforcing legislation which reduces and prohibits harassment, intimidation and/or violence associated with prejudice, bigotry and/or racism.

In addition, the L.A. City Council has frequently approved legislation that opposes national or state efforts deemed antithetical to its Human Relations Policy Statement. Examples of this activism include the city council's opposition to Prop 184 (Three Strikes), Prop 209 (anti-affirmative action), the state effort to preempt anti-predatory lending practices, and recently, the war in Iraq without U.N. authorization.

Conversely, the L.A. City Council has supported national and state legislation against domestic violence, supported the increased funding for homeless shelters and other assistance, supported the national war against hate crimes and church bombings, the creation of welfare to work resource centers, compliance with federal consent decrees which seek to reform the L.A. fire and police departments, and the 1994 ordinance to divest L.A. financial holdings from and to stop doing business with any companies that operated in or provided other than food and medical support for Haiti when that country demonstrated gross human rights violations. In 2000, the L.A. City Council also approved—along with

America's two other largest cities, and at least twenty other municipalities—support for the Congressional passage of John Conyer's H.R. 40 bill to establish a federal commission to study and document the lingering effects of slavery on African Americans, and to recommend appropriate remedies to the national government.

Based on this consistent pattern of support for truth, justice and fairness, the L.A. City Council is now asked to support legislation complementary to its Policy on Human Relations, and to the last two examples cited above. That legislation is the motion to require businesses which contract with the city of Los Angeles to investigate their own company records and archives to ascertain whether they financially profited from American slavery and/or the slave trade. Los Angeles citizens who are descendants of city mother Biddy Mason and other American slaves are entitled to such information so they can make informed judgements about where their tax dollars go. They are entitled to such information so that they can bring healing and closure to a lingering discomfiture about their place in American society. They are entitled to such information so that they can seek apologies from businesses which grew wealthy from the unpaid labor of their ancestors.

The Los Angeles City Council has shown wisdom, compassion and intelligence in staying true to its Human Relations principles. The council is hereby urged to stay on that path of compassionate public service and to consider and approve this motion.

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#### Attachment 2

#### VI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING SLAVERY ERA BUSINESS

Section 2-92-585 of the Municipal Code requires that any entity entering into a contract with the City must complete an affidavit verifying that the entity has searched any and all records of the entity and any and all predecessor entities for records of investments or profits from slavery, the slave industry, or slaveholder insurance policies from the slavery era (including insurance policies issued to slaveholders that provided coverage for damage to or injury or death of their slaves) and must disclose in the affidavit such records to the City. In addition, § 2-92-585 requires that the entity disclose in the affidavit the names of any slaves or slaveholders described in those records. Failure to comply with § 2-92-585 makes the contract voidable on behalf of the City.

Please check either (1) or (2) below. If the Applicant checks (2), the Applicant must disclose below or in an attachment to this EDS all requisite information as set forth in that paragraph (2).
1. The Applicant verifies that (a) the Applicant has searched any and all records of the Applicant and any and all predecessor entities for records of investments or profits from slavery, the slave industry, or slaveholder insurance policies, and (b) the Applicant has found no records of investments or profits from slavery, the slave industry, or slaveholder insurance policies and no records of names of any slaves or slaveholders.
2. The Applicant verifies that, as a result of conducting the search in step (1)(a) above, the Applicant has found records relating to investments or profits from slavery, the slave industry, or slaveholder insurance policies and/or the names of any slaves or slaveholders. The Applicant verifies that the following constitutes full disclosure of all such records:

# J. MICHAEL CAREY City Clerk

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FRANK T. MARTINEZ
Executive Officer

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HELEN GINSBURG
Chief, Council and Public Services Division

CF 03-0232

April 24, 2003

Rockard Delgadillo, City Attorney Office of the City Attorney

Dear Mr. Delgadillo:

At the request of the Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, I am transmitting a copy of the Motion (Holden-Perry) relative to preparation of an ordinance to require a Slavery Era Business/Corporate Insurance disclosure of all entities doing business with the City, to promote full and accurate disclosure to the public about any slavery policies sold by any companies, or profits from slavery by other industries who are doing business with the City, etc., to your Office for preparation of an ordinance to be considered by the Budget and Finance Committee at its regular meeting on May 14, 2003.

Please transmit your report to the Budget and Finance Committee, c/o Adrienne Bass, Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Room 395, for consideration by the Committee.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Bass

Deputy City Clerk

Budget and Finance Committee

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February 24, 2003

William Fujioka, City Administrative Officer Office of the City Administrative Officer

Dear Mr. Fujioka:

At the request of the Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, I am transmitting a copy of the Motion (Holden-Perry) relative to the recommendation that the City Attorney prepare an ordinance to require a Slavery Era Business/Corporate Insurance Disclosure of all entities doing business with the City, to promote full and accurate disclosure to the public about any slavery policies sold by any companies, or profits from slavery by other industries who are doing business with the City, etc., to your Office for review and recommendation.

Please transmit your report to the Budget and Finance Committee, c/o Adrienne Bass, Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Room 395, for consideration by the Committee.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Bass

Deputy City Clerk

Budget and Finance Committee

# MOTION

Many early American industries including; the insurance industry, financial industry, textile industry, tobacco industry, railroads, shipping companies, rice, sugar and many other businesses, made enormous profits from the commerce generated by the uncompensated labor of enslaved Africans.

Many Los Angeles citizens are descendants of slaves, whose ancestors were defined as private property, dehumanized, divided from their families, forced to perform labor without appropriate compensation or benefits, and whose ancestors' owners profited through investments or were compensated for damages by insurers, are entitled to full disclosure. Appropriate compensation to Africans for their labor would have otherwise been bequeathed to their descendants to aid in lifting them out of a dependent, non-competitive and impoverished lifestyle.

Recently, insurance policies from the slavery era have been discovered in the archives of several insurance companies which document insurance coverage to slaveholders for damage to or death of their slaves, issued by a predecessor insurance firm. These documents provide the first evidence of ill-gotten profits from slavery, which profits in part capitalized businesses whose successors remain in existence today.

The California Insurance Code (sections 13810, 13811, 13812 and 13813) provides that insurers licensed and doing business in the state of California must provide records of slaveholder insurance policies issued by them or predecessor corporations during the slavery era.

The City should do its part to redress the wrongs stemming from slavery by requiring any entity, corporation, partnership or company doing business with the City of Los Angeles shall take any and all steps in good faith to disclose any records within their possession or knowledge relating to investments or profits from the slave industry including insurance policies issued to slaveholders that provided coverage for damage to or death of their slaves.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney be requested to prepare and present an ordinance to require a Slavery Era Business/Corporate Insurance Disclosure of all entities doing business with the City, to promote full and accurate disclosure to the public about any slavery policies sold by any companies, or profits from slavery by other industries (or their predecessors) who are doing business with the City. This ordinance would further require that each contractor with whom the City enters into a contract, whether subject to competitive bid or not, must complete an affidavit verifying that the contractor has searched any and all records of the company or any predecessor company regarding records of investments or profits from slavery or slaveholder insurance policies during the slavery era. The names of any slaves or slaveholders described in those records must be disclosed in the affidavit.

PRESENTED BY:

NATE HOLDEN

Councilman 10th District

SECONDED BY:

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