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1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-13-0062

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH IN SUPPORT OF THE SEIU
5 UNITED HEALTHCARE WORKERS WEST CAREGIVERS
6 CALL FOR SAFETY AND CARE AT TELECARE LA CASA
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8 WHEREAS, in the fall of 2012, caregivers at Telecare La Casa Mental
9 Health and Rehabilitation Center voted to form a union with SEIU United Healthcare
10 Workers West to address safety and workplace issues; and

11 WHEREAS, members of SEIU United Healthcare Workers West at La Casa
12 have been seeking improvements to safety and general workplace issues through
13 contract negotiations with hospital management at Telecare La Casa Mental Health and
14 Rehabilitation Center for more than a year with no resolution; and

15 WHEREAS, the Telecare Corporation has received more than \$113 million
16 from Los Angeles County taxpayers over the last four years; and

17 WHEREAS, there are alarming reports of safety and care incidents at
18 Telecare La Casa Mental Health and Rehabilitation Center; and

19 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach supports the members of SEIU United
20 Healthcare Workers West at Telecare La Casa Mental Health and Rehabilitation Center
21 in their negotiations for a contract that includes safety and care improvements; and

22 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach will continue to work with caregivers to
23 facilitate a speedy resolution to contract negotiations with hospital management at
24 Telecare La Casa Mental Health and Rehabilitation; and

25 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach calls on the Los Angeles County Board
26 of Supervisors to conduct a full audit of all facilities owned by the Telecare Corporation in
27 Los Angeles County; and

28 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach will review the authority to address

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1 safety concerns related to the operation of the La Casa Mental Health and Rehabilitation
2 facility, and related operations including the transportation of patients by Telecare,
3 through city ordinance.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
5 follows:

6 Section 1. That the City Council supports that no employee should have
7 to assume an unreasonable risk of being assaulted while on the job and supports a safe
8 work environment for patients, caregivers, and the Long Beach community.

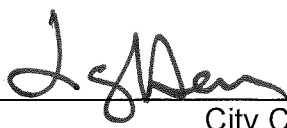
9 Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
10 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

11 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
12 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of August 6, 2013, by the following vote:

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14 Ayes: Councilmembers: Garcia, Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske,
15 Andrews, Johnson, Austin, Neal.

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18 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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20 Absent: Councilmembers: O'Donnell.

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