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Attention: Ms. Mandy Morales, Legislative Coordinator

**HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE TRANSMITTAL:
APPROPRIATION OF DEPARTMENTAL EMERGENCY ALERT RESPONSE
SYSTEM (EARS) FUNDS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
(CDBG) PROGRAM YEAR 43 FUNDS**

CONSIDERATION

The Los Angeles Department of Aging (LADOA) requests authorization from City Council and Mayor to appropriate \$28,908 in CDBG Funds for the operation of the EARS program. The Program Year 43 funding was approved by the City Council and concurred by the Mayor (per Council File #16-1091). These funds need to be added to the Department of Aging's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 accounts. This funding is to provide the staff and expense account resources to direct the Emergency Alert Response System (EARS).

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Controller to:

- A. Establish new accounts and appropriate \$28,908 within the Senior Human Services Program Fund Number 42J as follows:

ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT TITLE	AMOUNT
02N102	Aging	\$28,908
	Total	\$28,908

- B. Increase appropriations within Fund 100 – Department 02 and transfer funds on an as needed basis (Revenue Source Code Number 5693) as follows:

	FUND	DEPT	ACC. NO.	ACC. TITLE	AMOUNT
From:	42J	02	02N102	Aging	\$28,908
To:	100	02	001010	Salaries-General	21,908
	100	02	002120	Printing & Binding	2,000
	100	02	003040	Contractual Services	2,000
	100	02	006010	Office & Admin Exp	3,000
				Total	\$28,908

NARRATIVE

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LADOA administers the EARS program in order to provide older adults who are age 60 or older, homebound, frail, low-income, and minority older adults to assist them to remain in their homes for as long as possible. The purpose of the EARS Program is to enable these older adults to remain in their home by providing means to contact emergency services (medical, police, fire) when necessary. Older adults participating in the EARS Program are provided a device that when activated (in case of an emergency) contacts a response center staffed 24/7 who would send the appropriate medical, police, and or fire emergency responders in the City of Los Angeles. Audio monitoring of the older adults also takes place by the staff at the response center until emergency responders arrive at the older adult's home or the situation is resolved. The EARS Program has served over 1,000 older adults per month and has been in operation since 1982.

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions involve the appropriation of CDBG funds. There is no additional impact to the City General Fund.



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