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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the donation of Wildland Firefighter Webgear/Hydration Packs for the benefit of the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD).

Recommendation for Council action:

ACCEPT the donation of Wildland Firefighter Webgear/Hydration Packs valued at \$169,732.10, from the LAFD Foundation, for the benefit of LAFD; and, THANK the donor for this generous donation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners reports that there is no fiscal impact to the LAFD's budget from the acceptance of this donation.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board dated March 9, 2018, attached to the Council file, the LAFD recommends that the Board approve the donation of Wildland Firefighter Webgear/Hydration Packs for the benefit of the LAFD. The LAFD reports that this equipment is mandatory personal protective equipment (PPE) that will be assigned to each firefighter in phases. Required PPE's address the significant danger of dehydration and heat related injury and direct catastrophic overrun by uncontrolled wildfire. The equipment is designed to carry the wildland fire shelter and personal hydration pack and may be outfitted to allow attachment of other required wildland firefighting equipment, providing increased safety and operational efficiency, to field firefighters working at wildland incidents.. At the meeting held on March 28, 2018, your Public Safety Committee considered this matter. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council approve the donation of Wildland Firefighter Webgear/Hydration Packs for the benefit of LAFD, as recommended by the Board, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
RYU:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES

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