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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Special Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commission Chair Leslie Ivie called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. along with Commission Vice Chair Helena Marissa Montes and Commissioners Aziza Hasan, Kande Lewis, Keith Parker, Natalie Samarjian and Abigail Zelenski in attendance.

Joumana Silyan-Saba, Director of Policy & Discrimination Enforcement was also in attendance. A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

The public comment period was opened but there were no speakers to address the Commission, therefore public comment was closed.

3. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS:

The continuation of teleconference meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB-361) was discussed by the Commission.

Commissioner Lewis made a motion to continue holding Commission meetings via teleconference. Commissioner Hasan seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lewis
Seconded: Hasan
Ayes: Ivie, Montes, Parker, Samarjian, Zelenski
Vote: 7 - 0

The motion passed.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

On behalf of the Commission on Civil Rights, Commission Chair Ivie welcomed the newly appointed Commissioner, Natalie Samarjian. Commissioner Samarjian expressed her gratitude and eagerness to work with the Commission.

Commissioner Montes shared an upcoming event to commemorate Loyola Marymount University School of Law - Immigration Clinic 10th year anniversary on June 6, 2022.

Commissioner Hasan shared an upcoming event with NewGround and IKAR at 6:00 p.m. on May 12, 2022 to promote Jewish-Muslim Dialogue.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

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