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CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY INSTITUTE SUPPORTS CREATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON CHILD PROTECTION

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San Diego, CA — The Children's Advocacy Institute's (CAI) Executive Director Robert C. Fellmeth, Price Professor of Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego School of Law, issued this statement today in support of a proposed motion by Los Angeles County Supervisors Michael Antonovich and Mark Ridley-Thomas to create a Blue Ribbon Commission to do a top-to-bottom, searching review of that County's troubled child protection system:

“With both the state and federal governments sitting by doing nothing to ensure the largest child welfare system in the nation is operating with minimal competence, we fully support the effort of the Supervisors to create a Blue Ribbon Commission that will, hopefully, provide the kind of accountability and transparency in CPS operations otherwise entirely absent from this—our most sensitive and morally pressing government program.”

CAI works to improve the health, safety, and well-being of children. In addition to an academic component, CAI engages in regulatory and legislative advocacy, impact litigation and public education in order to ensure that children's interests are represented effectively whenever and wherever government makes policy and budget decisions that will impact them. For more information, visit www.caichildlaw.org.

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