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Supervisors Approve Funding for Chaffey Joint Union High School District

SAN BERNARDINO – The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors today unanimously approved a contract with Chaffey Joint Union High School District in the amount of \$220,000 to assist with the costs of a new physical education weight room/classroom at Ontario High School. The contract was presented by Fourth District Supervisor Gary Ovitt and would be funded by an unbudgeted priority project allocation for the Fourth District.

The existing physical education weight room/classroom at Ontario High School is approximately 1,000 square feet and is located outside and unavailable during inclement weather. The new classroom will be a modular building with air conditioning, heating and Americans with Disabilities Act accessible. It will be approximately 2,000 square feet and able to accommodate larger physical education classes and other school sports programs.

“It is important to create a healthy learning environment that complements the student’s physical and mental well being. Anything we can do to facilitate that benefits everyone,” said Supervisor Ovitt in presenting the contract item to his fellow Board members.

The funding will assist the school district in establishing and evaluating a defined, consistent program to extend the school day for the neediest students. This project will help combat obesity and promote physical fitness and good health practices.

Mike Harrison, a spokesman for Chaffey Joint Union High School District, upon hearing the news of the contract award said: “ We are excited about our new weight room. It will enhance and expand the physical education program at Ontario High. We thank Supervisor Ovitt and the Board of Supervisors for their commitment to our physical education program.”

“ “Physical fitness, good health practices including proper nutrition and academic success go hand-in-hand. Take it from a former teacher and coach for over 30 years,” added Supervisor Ovitt.