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Supervisors and Chairman Hart:

In your daily County briefing on efforts to control the spread of the Coronavirus: Will you please further elaborate on how Santa Barbara County prioritizes, and will prioritize future testing and lab processing for results? My priority concern is our essential everyday workforce.

When will front line workers coming into close proximity with customers be tested? These dedicated workers include drug and grocery store workers, taxi and bus drivers, nursing and residential care facility workers, food and restaurant workers.

As a part their job, they interface with others. There is no way to know if others are carriers or would test positive. I hear chefs, cashiers, and others ask me about masks and future testing. I know nothing about our local situation. I get more bulletins from New Orleans than locally.

How many tests does SB County expect to receive?

I assume we are weeks away given our County's comparatively small size and low density, and zero death rate. This far SB County is not a priority geographic area, like New Orleans where I remain licensed before coming here in 1980.

You're aware, there's high concern for our valued every day dedicated workers who courageously continue to serve our community.

When resources become available to the county, please prioritize these workers for testing and lab processing. It's important to recognize their significant contribution by testing them after direct line hospital workers.

Regardless of what you decide, please communicate to the public.

Mayor Murillo's KEYT straightforward, direct interview was greatly appreciated. Our local community wants and needs to know the issues, hear your decisions, and unaltered facts as you know them. Your leadership and communication are essential. Confidence is declining regardless of complex realities you're juggling.

Respectfully,  
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