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December 6, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM:  Donald H. Blevins
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SUBJECT: DEATH OF A MINOR

This is to advise your Board of the death of 18-year-old juvenile probationer, Ernest A. on November 28, 2010. Ernesto A. was ordered Camp Community Placement on March 12, 2010 for violating Penal Code Section 211 (Robbery). He was released from Camp on September 12, 2010. Previous sustained law violations and dispositions include the following:

- Age 15 – 7/19/07 – 594 (A) Penal Code (Vandalism) – placed on probation under Section 725 (A) Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) on December 10, 2007
- Age 15 – 3/26/08 – 243.6 Penal Code (Battery on School Employee with Injury) – placed Home on Probation on June 2, 2008
- Age 15 – 6/16/08 – 484 Penal Code (Theft Personal Property Over/Under \$400) – ordered Suitable Placement on August 1, 2008
- Age 16 – 9/30/08 – 594 (A) Penal Code (Vandalism) – ordered Suitable Placement on January 13, 2009
- Age 17 – 9/9/09 – 243 Penal Code (Battery) – ordered Suitable Placement on October 16, 2009

Probation received notification from the Coroner's Office regarding minor's death on December 6, 2010. The initial Coroner's report indicated that Ernesto A. and another probationer (Alex L.) both sustained multiple gunshot wounds by an unknown assailant at approximately 3:20 p.m. on November 28, 2010 in the City of Cudahy. Death was pronounced at the St. Francis Medical Center at 5:47 p.m.

This matter is under review. Should there be any significant findings, we will inform your Board.

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- c: William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer
- Honorable Michael Nash, Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court
- Andrea Sheridan Ordin, County Counsel
- Brence Culp, Chief Deputy
- Jackie White, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
- Justice Deputies