

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS

August 22, 2017

Extend the Reward Offer in the Murder of Danah Rojo-Rivas

At approximately 9:34 p.m. on November 23, 2016, Sheriff's Homicide Bureau investigators responded to the City of Lynwood to investigate the circumstances surrounding the shooting death of Danah Rojo-Rivas, a 16-year-old female.

Danah was a passenger in the back seat of her mother's Ford Mustang after leaving a church function at the New Horizons Baptist Church in the City of Lynwood. Danah's mother was stopped at a red light heading eastbound on Euclid Avenue at Long Beach Boulevard, when a car-to-car shooting occurred behind them. The intended victim, who was a passenger in a burgundy Saturn SUV, exited his vehicle and ran behind the Ford Mustang. The shooting suspect continued to fire at his intended victim. As a result, a stray bullet from the suspect's gun entered the rear of the Ford Mustang, striking and killing Danah, who was seated behind her mother.

Witnesses at the scene stated that the suspects' vehicle, occupied by at least two people, fled west on Euclid Avenue and out of view. Although two witnesses came forward, their accounts of what occurred lacked the necessary details for investigators to identify the suspects' race and make/model of their vehicle.

To date, no clues or additional witnesses have come forward with any information related to this appalling incident and heinous murder. In hopes of encouraging additional witnesses and/or persons possessing helpful or pertinent

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information to come forward, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's detectives are seeking the public's assistance regarding any information that will be helpful to the investigation.

On November 29, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) initially approved a reward offer in the amount of \$20,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of person(s) responsible for the death of Ms. Rojo-Rivas. This reward was extended on February 21, 2017, and will expire on August 25, 2017 unless it is extended. The detectives assigned to this case recommend that this reward be extended to help solve the crime and bring some sense of closure and justice to the family.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Extend the offer of a reward in the amount of \$20,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of the person(s) responsible for the heinous murder of 16-year-old Danah Rojo-Rivas, who tragically lost her life on November 23, 2016 at approximately 9:34 p.m., at the intersection of Euclid Avenue and Long Beach Boulevard in the City of Lynwood.

Contact: Sergeant Robert J. Gray and/or Detective Adam Kirste
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
(323) 890-5500

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Crime Stoppers
(800) 222-8477

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