

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

July 27, 2021

Re-establish the Reward Offer in the Murder of James Haley

On Saturday, July 14, 2018, at approximately 2:00 a.m., 61-year-old James Haley was killed in a hit-and-run accident on the 1700 block of Firestone Boulevard at the intersection of Holmes Avenue in the unincorporated area of Florence in Los Angeles County (County). Mr. Haley was walking southbound on Firestone Boulevard, in a marked intersection in a crosswalk, when he was struck by a suspect driving a 2017 white Dodge Charger traveling eastbound. The suspect(s) then fled the scene eastbound on Firestone Boulevard without stopping to render medical aid or calling 9-1-1. It is unknown if other occupants were in the vehicle. After the incident, the vehicle was located a short distance away on the 1800 block of East 87th Street. Mr. Haley was transported to Saint Francis Hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries.

Mr. Haley was a long-time resident of the Second Supervisorial District. At the time of his murder, he was experiencing homelessness. He is survived by his son, Jason Haley.

To date, investigators have limited information regarding this tragedy. The California Highway Patrol detectives believe that there may be witnesses in the neighborhood that may have seen the suspect(s) leave the area or know of his/her/their identity. On December 18, 2018 the County Board of Supervisors approved a reward in the amount of \$10,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of Mr. Haley. This reward was

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extended on March 12, 2019, September 10, 2019, and March 10, 2020, September 1, 2020; re-established on April 6, 2021; and expired July 4, 2021. The detectives assigned to this case recommend that this reward be extended to help solve the crime and bring a sense of closure and justice to the family.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Re-establish the offer of a reward in the amount of \$10,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of 61-year-old James Haley, who was killed in a hit and run accident on July 14, 2018 at approximately 2:00 a.m. on the 1700 block of Firestone Boulevard at the intersection of Holmes Avenue in the unincorporated area of Florence in Los Angeles County.

Contact: Detective Donald Smulski	- or -	Crime Stoppers
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