

**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL**

April 19, 2022

**Extend and Increase the Reward Offer in the Murder of Tioni Theus**

On January 8, 2022, at approximately 8:00 a.m., 16-year-old Tioni Theus' lifeless body was seen by drivers passing by the 110 Freeway near the Manchester southbound off-ramp. Ms. Theus was last seen the previous day, when she reportedly told her father that she was meeting an "Instagram friend" to go to a party. Ms. Theus died from a gunshot wound to the neck, according to the Los Angeles County Coroner.

Ms. Theus lived in Compton and was a student at Centennial High School. She was reportedly living with her father as her mother recovered from a serious hit-and-run accident. Family members say she was a straight-A student and enjoyed dance and golf.

The Board of Supervisors established this reward on January 25, 2022. It is due to expire on April 24, 2022 and needs to be extended. Investigators are urging anyone with information about this incident to contact the California Highway Patrol. A reward will encourage members of the public to come forward with information that can help identify the individual(s) responsible for her death.

**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Extend and increase 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 death of 16-year-old Tioni Theus, who was last seen on January 7, 2022, and whose body was found on the side of the Manchester off-ramp of the 110 Freeway in the city of Los Angeles on January 8, 2022, at approximately 8:00 a.m.

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                    (323) 855-8576

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                    Anonymous Tip Line  
                    (888) 412-7463

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