



## RESOLUTION OF THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

### **[Proposed] RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF DEATHS THAT OCCUR AS A RESULT OF THE USE OF FORCE BY LASD DEPUTIES**

The Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission of the County of Los Angeles (Commission), California hereby resolves as follows:

**WHEREAS**, since the horrific death of George Floyd by law enforcement on May 25, 2020, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) has been involved in numerous deputy-involved shootings and uses of force resulting in the fatalities of eight (8) individuals including those of Andres Guardado and Dijon Kizzee. These fatalities have caused insurmountable trauma to the family members, the community and have continued to erode the level of trust the community has with the LASD;

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Board) voted to create the Commission to improve the transparency and accountability of the LASD as well as to function as a bridge between the LASD and the community;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission seeks to ensure that the LASD improves its level of transparency and accountability with the community. This is especially the case when there has been a fatality and the families and community are seeking answers to their many questions.

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the Commission and the community developed the "Family Assistance and Communication" plan with seven (7) recommendations associated with providing ongoing support and trauma informed care to families who have lost loved ones as a result of law enforcement fatal uses of force or in-custody deaths;

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the Board emphasized the importance of addressing deputy-involved shooting fatalities and in-custody deaths by adopting a motion directing the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Sheriff, the Executive Director of the COC, the COC Family Assistance and Communication Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc Committee), the Office of Inspector General (OIG), the Medical Examiner-Coroner and other relevant stakeholders to report back on an implementation plan, which resulted in the implementation of a pilot Family Assistance Program (FAP) with limited funding;

**WHEREAS**, through the Family Assistance Program, LASD agreed to provide relevant information to the families of those who died as a result of LASD actions or in their custody as well as other relevant departments providing assistance to those families. The Family Assistance Program also seeks to not have the LASD disparage the name or character of the deceased individual;



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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Civilian Oversight Commission does hereby determine and recommend as follows:

1. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors immediately request the Attorney General to investigate all LASD Deputy Involved shootings resulting in a death, consistent with AB1506 awaiting signature by the Governor.
2. Recommend that the LASD coordinate regular meetings of the FAP collaborative partners to formulate a plan to identify/secure funding for and further extend the implementation of the pilot FAP program and report back to the Commission within 90 days.
3. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors direct their legislative staff to explore changes to the Police Officers Bill of Rights including the issue of qualified immunity for police officers.

### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I, Brian K. Williams, Executive Director of the County of Los Angeles Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission, do hereby certify that the above is true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Los Angeles Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission at its meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_ and as same appears of record in the Official Minutes of said Commission.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL of the Los Angeles Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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Brian K. Williams, Executive Director