#### MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

October 8, 2024

### Re-establish and Increase the Reward Offer in the Murder of Demetrius Bracken

On Saturday, December 30, 2018, at approximately 1:37 p.m., 46-year-old Demetrius Bracken and his nephew, 26-year-old Devion Cox, were hit by gunfire in front of a family member's home on the 2000 block of North Parmalee Avenue in the city of Compton. Mr. Bracken and Mr. Cox were standing on the sidewalk saying goodbye to one another just prior to the incident. As the victims stood in front of their family member's home, an unknown male suspect exited the rear passenger door of a black Chevrolet Tahoe which was occupied by several other individuals and parked at the corner of 134<sup>th</sup> Street and North Parmalee Avenue. After exiting the vehicle, the suspect approached the victims on foot and fired several gunshots from a handgun before reentering the Tahoe and fleeing eastbound on 134<sup>th</sup> Street from Parmalee Avenue.

Mr. Bracken and Mr. Cox were hit by the gunfire and transported by neighbors to St. Francis Medical Center in Lynwood. Mr. Bracken succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 4:14 p.m.; his family is devastated by his passing. Mr. Cox sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was later released from the hospital.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's (LASD) homicide investigators believe there are witnesses in the neighborhood who may have seen the suspect(s) leave the area or know their identities. The Board of Supervisors established this reward on February 11, 2020; extended it on April 28, 2020, October 27, 2020, and May 4, 2021; and re-established it on November 30, 2021, July 11, 2023, and December 19, 2023. This

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reward expired on May 17, 2024, and needs to be re-established. Any individuals with information about this senseless crime are urged to contact LASD's Homicide Bureau or Crime Stoppers.

# I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Re-establish and increase the offer of a reward from the amount of \$20,000 to \$25,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the heinous death of 46-year-old Demetrius Bracken, who was shot and killed on the 2000 block of North Parmalee Avenue in the city of Compton on December 30, 2018, at approximately 1:37 p.m.

Contact: Sergeant Marvin Jaramilla - or -Sergeant Marcelo Quintero Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau (323) 890-5500 Crime Stoppers (800) 222-8477

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