## Re-establish the Reward Offer in the Murder of Severino Gutierrez

On Thursday, August 4, 2022, at approximately 5:48 p.m., 34-year-old Severino Gutierrez was working as a fruit vendor near the Bank of America located at 118 W. Rosecrans Avenue in the unincorporated area of Athens, when two males attempted to rob him at gunpoint. While fleeing, one of the suspects fired a gun striking Mr. Gutierrez. Mr. Gutierrez was transported to a local hospital, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Homicide Detectives believe there are possible witnesses to the murder who were in the parking lot and/or in close proximity to where the incident occurred who may have seen the suspect(s) leave the area or know their identities. Detectives believe a reward provided by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors would assist in solving this case. Any individuals with information about this senseless crime are urged to contact the LASD Homicide Bureau or Crime Stoppers.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors established a reward of \$10,000 on November 6, 2024. The reward expired on February 3, 2025, and needs to be reestablished.

## I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Re-establish and increase the offer of a reward in the amount of \$10,000 to \$15,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the

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person(s) responsible for the heinous murder of 34-year-old Severino Gutierrez, who was fatally shot while working at his fruit stand on August 4, 2022, at approximately 5:48 p.m. near the Bank of America located at 118 W. Rosecrans Avenue in the unincorporated area of Athens.

Contact:

Detectives Kevin Acebed, Jennifer Valenzuela, or Alfred Jaime
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
323-890-5500

Crime Stoppers (800) 222-8477

Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers Hotline (800) 222-TIPS (8477)

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