

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

June 30, 2026

Extend and Increase 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 Bureau believes there were potential witnesses in the parking lot and surrounding area who may have seen the suspect(s) leave the scene or who may know their identities. Detectives believe a reward offered by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (Board) would assist in generating leads to help solve this case. Any individuals with information about this senseless crime are urged to contact the LASD Homicide Bureau or Crime Stoppers.

The Board established a reward of \$10,000 on November 6, 2024, and re-established and increased it on February 4, 2025, and April 7, 2026. The reward will expire on July 7, 2026, and needs to be extended.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Extend and increase the offer of a reward from \$20,000 to \$25,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible

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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

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Crime Stoppers
(800) 222-8477

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
323-890-5500

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

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