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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER November 10, 2026

ESTABLISHMENT OF A REWARD FOR THE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION OF VICTIM ELENA KAZANES

On Thursday, February 19, 2026, at approximately 11:21 a.m., Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a dirt access road one mile east of 140th Street East at East Avenue E in unincorporated Lake Los Angeles. Responding deputies found 40-year-old Elena Kazanes deceased in a desolate portion of the desert with visible trauma to her body. The Los Angeles County Medical Examiner concluded that Kazanes succumbed to gunshot wounds.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau investigators believe there are individuals with knowledge of the circumstances and suspect(s) involved in the death of Elena Kazanes. Investigators are hopeful the establishment of a reward will bring attention to the case and encourage witnesses who may have seen or know the identity of the suspect(s) to come forward and provide information. Any individuals with information about this crime are urged to contact Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homicide Bureau or Crime Stoppers.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors establish the offer of a reward in the amount of $10,000 in exchange for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the perpetrator(s) responsible for the murder of Elena Kazanes.

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Sergeant Giovanni Lampignano
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