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MOTION

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #58

MAY 15 2009

On Friday, June 13, 2008, at approximately 10:10 P.M., Christopher Taylor, a nineteen year-old man, was fatally shot and killed while standing in the street in front of his home located on 7th Avenue, just south of 36th Street in Los Angeles. Christopher had been standing outside speaking to a friend when a tan or beige colored Toyota Camry pulled up in front of them. The front passenger of the vehicle fired several shots at Christopher and his friend, fatally striking Christopher, and striking Christopher's friend in the leg. The suspects then fled the area southbound on 7th Avenue. LAPD is still searching for the suspects and encourages witnesses to come forward, even anonymously, to assist them in their investigation.

The person or persons responsible for this crime represent an ongoing threat to the safety of the people of Los Angeles; therefore it is appropriate for the City of Los Angeles to offer a reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Christopher Taylor.

I THEREFORE MOVE that by adoption of this Motion, the City Council provide an offer of reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Christopher Taylor, a resident of the City of Los Angeles, on June 13, 2008, and in support thereof, make the following findings pursuant to Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code:

1. That the death of Christopher Taylor was caused by the willful misconduct of one or more persons.
2. That this offer of reward is consistent with and taken for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety of local residents, as well as visitors to the City, and is consistent with the need to arrest and convict the person or persons who, because of not being apprehended, could by their actions further terrorize and present a continuing and immediate menace to the rights of persons in the City.
3. That what happened to Christopher Taylor, is an especially disturbing crime and therefore, as a matter of public policy, the City hereby offers a reward as an added inducement for persons to come forward with information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the death of Christopher Taylor.
4. That the sum of \$50,000 shall be the aggregate maximum sum of any payment or payments of a City reward in this instance.
5. That the offer of reward shall be in effect for six months from the date of the advertisement of the reward by the City Clerk.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Clerk be directed to cause notices and/or advertisements to be duly published according to the requirements of Division 19, Chapter 12, Article 1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, and to thereby cause the offer of reward to become effective.

PRESENTED BY Herb J. Wesson, Jr.
HERB J. WESSON, JR.
Councilmember, 10th District

SECONDED BY [Signature]

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