PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to additional recommendations on reported hate crimes and religious, ethnic, or racially motivated violence.

Recommendation for Council action:

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) to:

a. Work with the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to compile a list of organizations, that is geographically and demographically comprehensive that the LAPD can place on their victim's assistance website as resources for victims of hate crimes.

b. Adapt the hate crimes section of the LAPD's website to include appropriate contact information for LAPD security assessments.

c. Report on the feasibility of developing a Citywide communications tool, operationally similar to the Jewish Federation's Community Security Initiative, to serve as a single point of contact for critical incident coordination and information sharing to serve as a conduit for proactive hate crime prevention.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
Mid-City West Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On January 22, 2020, your Committee considered a June 18, 2019 Board report relative to additional recommendations on reported hate crimes and religious, ethnic, or racially motivated violence. According to the Board, in response to Council, the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Robbery-Homicide Division (RHD) has prepared a number of recommendations. The RHD recommends that:

- The LAPD Media Relations and Department Operations Center coordinate and release information to the public regarding hate crimes and incidents via press releases, social media, and available LAPD communications tools.

- The Area commands proactively reach out to vulnerable sites in their areas to conduct security evaluations and send their senior lead officers to security vulnerability assessment training.

- The LAPD continually update its current websites and social media platforms with up-to-date advocacy groups, service providers, and supporting institutions' information.

An in-depth analysis of RHD's recommendations has also been provided and is attached to the
Board report. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend instructing the LAPD to:

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3. Report on the feasibility of developing a Citywide communications tool, operationally similar to the Jewish Federation’s Community Security Initiative, to serve as a single point of contact for critical incident coordination and information sharing to serve as a conduit for proactive hate crime prevention.

This matter is submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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MEMBER VOTE
RODRIGUEZ: YES
O’FARRELL: YES
BUSCAINO: ABSENT
RYU: YES
LEE: ABSENT

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