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## Fwd: Provide LAPD with GREATER RESOURCES and SUPPORT in the EAST VALLEY

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Dear City Council Members & Mayor Garcetti --

In the area of crime and public safety the city of Los Angeles is headed in the wrong direction. East Valley neighborhoods are facing a wide-range of issues that require the greater resources and attention of the LAPD.

Therefore, in the section labeled Los Angeles Police Protective League (LAPPL), I strongly support the work of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and their 2018-19 budget recommendations. **As I agree with their following recommendations, my support should be filed under "Communication from Public" in Council file 18-0600.**

**In advance of the 2018-19 fiscal city budget, I support the Neighborhood Council's Budget Advocates proposed recommendations to protect existing officers, improve their working environment and provide maximum benefit to the people whose taxes pay police salaries. The Budget Advocates recommends the City work with the LAPD on the following:**

- Raise the recruitment budget to \$500,000.00 and give authority for greater outreach for candidates.
- Raise police salaries to discourage sworn officers from quitting to work in neighboring jurisdictions where the pay is better.

- Increase the sworn personnel to 12,500 as soon as practical.
- Mandate a minimum number of sworn personnel for each division.
- Make the LAPD's unused budgeted funds available for officer overtime instead of returning them to the General Fund.
- Hire civilians to cover all non-essential desk jobs, to free up officers for policing.

Upon approval of 2018-19 budget, we immediately need greater resources directed to the North Hollywood and Van Nuys police divisions.

With gratitude,

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