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RE: CF 18-0600

Members of the City Council Members of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates c/o Jay Handal clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (the "SCNC") at its meeting on March 21, 2018, approved the submission of the following motion in support of specific recommendations of the Neighborhood Council's Budget Advocates:

In advance of the 2018-19 fiscal city budget, the Studio City Neighborhood Council strongly supports 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 recommend 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.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Denise Welvang

Denise Welvang, President Studio City Neighborhood Council

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