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The Honorable Budget and Finance Committee
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Honorable Members:

In the correspondence dated March 21, 2019, your Committee requested that each department transmit written comments relative to the Mayor's Proposed Budget and indicate only extremely critical changes that should be considered.

Under this administration, the Los Angeles Police Department (Department) has strived to work within the resources allocated to this Department. Next fiscal year will be no different. We understand that the City and its leaders have consistently placed the highest priority on public safety. For that, we are very grateful. Therefore, after reviewing the Mayor's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20, we believe that it represents the best balance for the organization, and funds our most critical needs.

At this time, we would like to take the opportunity to express our appreciation for the critical initiatives that were funded in the Mayor's Proposed Budget. More specifically, additional funding for sworn overtime to be used to address emerging crime issues throughout the City, dedicated overtime funding to support the critical work of the A Bridge Home initiatives, funding to support the Department's recruitment efforts to hire more women and African American Police Officers, funding to open the Harbor Jail which will help us better serve the community in the Harbor-Gateway portion of the City, and finally your on-going support for continued civilian hiring in those critical areas that will enable us to return officers to patrol more quickly.

We look forward to the opportunity to discuss these and other issues with your Committee. If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Chief Jon Peters, Director, Office of Support Services at (213) 486-8410.

Respectfully,



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