

On December 11, 2008, Khachik Safaryan and his eight year-old daughter, Lusine Safaryan, were shot and killed in their apartment on Tamarind Avenue in Hollywood. Khatchik's 12 year-old daughter discovered her father and sister brutally murdered when she returned home from school. Khachik was a butcher at a Hollywood Deli and Lusine was a student and a performer. The LAPD is still searching for the suspect(s) and encourages witnesses to come forward, even anonymously, to assist them in their investigation.

The person or persons responsible for these crimes represents 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 deaths of Khachik and Lusine Safaryan.

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 deaths of Khachik and Lusine Safaryan, residents of the City of Los Angeles, on December 11, 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 deaths of Khachik and Lusine Safaryan were 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 Khachik and Lusine Safaryan, are especially disturbing crimes 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 deaths of Khachik and Lusine Safaryan.
4. That the sum of \$75,000 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 EG
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Councilmember, 13th District

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