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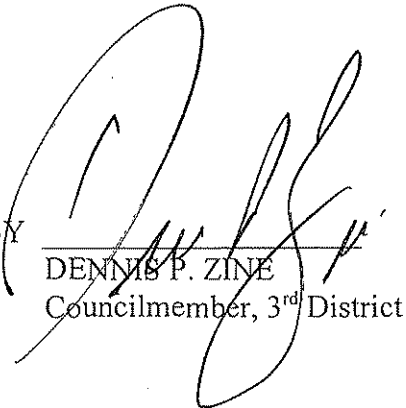
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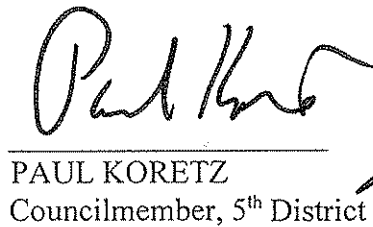
In 2010 the Police Department (LAPD) had two officer involved shootings where the suspects used a BB device or Airsoft pistol, which are imitation firearms that resemble a real firearm. It is believed these incidents would have been avoided if the imitation firearms did not have the same appearance and color of actual firearms.

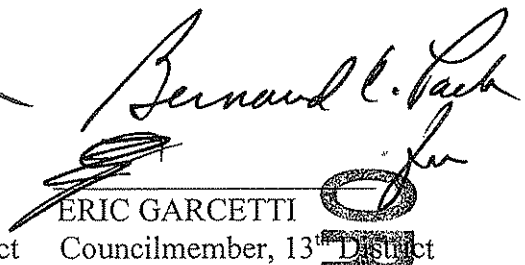
The Police Department has recommended to the Police Commission that the City Attorney draft an ordinance which would differentiate imitation firearms from actual firearms. The requested ordinance would require that all imitation firearms, as defined in Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 45.01, that are sold in the City must be a bright color so that law enforcement can differentiate these firearms as imitations. To ensure this proposal can move forward expeditiously, the Council should instruct the City Attorney to transmit the ordinance.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney be requested to prepare and present an ordinance that would amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code, relative to BB devices and imitation firearms, that imitation firearms capable of being concealed upon the person shall have the entire exterior surface in a distinguishable color that will enable law enforcement to readily distinguish these imitation firearms from other firearms.

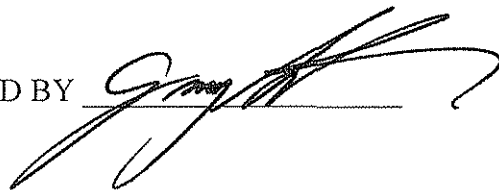
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