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The City of Los Angeles is responsible for supplying crossing guards to schools within the City. However, with budget issues and lack of incentives, the City is at a record low of a 37% decline in the number of crossing guards.

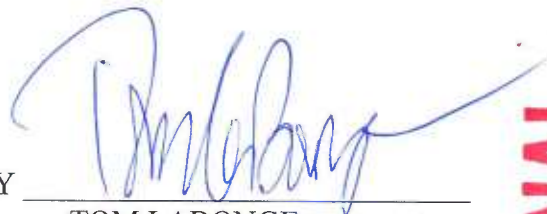
According to a report made by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, school age children aged from 5-17 years old account for 18% of all pedestrian fatalities and severe injuries in the City. The problem of lack of staffing is to be accounted for these unfortunate circumstances.

The City is facing budget issues as many intersections and corners deemed "needed to be staffed" with results from a traffic survey remain unstaffed.

There is a need to review options and reduce costs of crossing guards by finding innovative ways to solve the recruitment and retention problem. During this year's budget negotiations, the City Council has also identified to the need to find resources to expand the Crossing Guard program to all City elementary schools.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation with the assistance of the CAO be instructed to report to the City Council with a comprehensive update on the status of the number of crossings guards existing and needed in the City of Los Angeles, with recommendations not limited to finding ways to expand the crossing guard program with possible incentives, resources or funding opportunities.

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