

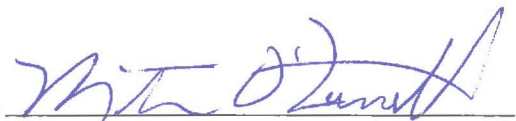
MOTION

Human Trafficking is a significant issue in the United States, and Los Angeles is a major entry point into the country for people being trafficked from overseas. In addition, people from other parts of the United States are often trafficked through the City, which, due to its size, makes it easier to hide people from law enforcement. Human Trafficking is particularly problematic in LAPD's Operations-South Bureau (OSB) and Operations-Valley Bureau (OVB). In an effort to combat this problem, the Police Department operates a Human Trafficking Task Force in each bureau, which couples law enforcement with service providers in an effort to address this problem in a holistic manner.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a rise in the demand for services from various organizations in the City who service victims of human trafficking and abuse. Given that these organizations work hand in hand with law enforcement to provide the support needed for victims, it is important to ensure these operations could continue to properly function throughout the pandemic and after.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Police Department be directed to report on the status of the Department's Operations-South Bureau and Operation-Valley Bureau Human Trafficking Task Forces, and on how recent budgetary reductions may impact these units.

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