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**COUNCILWOMAN, 7<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT**

May 26, 2023

Mayor Karen Bass  
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Honorable Mayor Bass,

In partnership with promoting greater transparency and enhancing data availability for upcoming reports related to the Inside Safe initiative, as indicated during the budget process, I am requesting that the following data be included with the regular reporting to the council that is required as part of the \$250 million dollar allocation and replenishment. As we work together to fulfill all the competing needs, we must take systematic measures to monitor how the hard-earned money of Angelenos is being invested in addressing the homelessness issue that has affected everyone in the city.

I would like to re-emphasize my intention in composing this letter is to ensure these questions are answered in the report backs going forward and that the investments related to Inside Safe better support our shared goals and outcomes. I firmly believe that any investment made in this city should be subject to thorough scrutiny for equitable efficiencies, particularly when addressing homelessness, considering the significant resources that have already been allocated to this cause.

Therefore, I request the inclusion of the following elements in the forthcoming Inside Safe reports to the Council from the Mayor's office:

- What criteria or selection process determines when/where an Inside Safe operation is deployed?
- When deployed, what is the advance outreach strategy and housing placement locations identified?

- What existing state, county, and city homeless resources are leveraged for each Inside Safe operation in order to minimize duplication of services?
- What is the typical length of stay for each individual residing in Inside Safe interim housing, what is the transition plan for each individual?
- How has Inside Safe impacted navigation services citywide?
- How many Inside Safe individuals have already been permanently placed?

The questions I have posed will enable us, as representatives, to comprehend the program's effectiveness and understand how this initiative contributes to the reduction of homelessness on our city streets. While questions over time may evolve, these initial questions need to be addressed. It is crucial for us to understand how the allocated funds are being utilized so that we can make necessary adjustments as collaborative city partners and enhance efficiency wherever necessary.

I look forward to working with everyone involved in this endeavor to progress towards a path where we can successfully provide housing to those in greatest need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monica Rodriguez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Monica" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Rodriguez".

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Los Angeles City Councilwoman, District 7  
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