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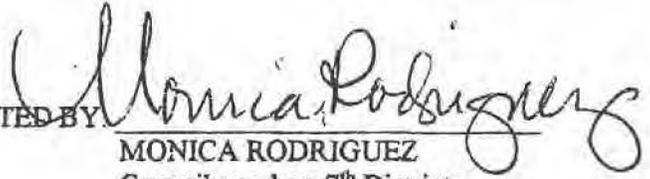
On May 9, 2020 at approximately 10:40pm, 26-year-old Davon Pledger was standing outside a friend's house on Cornelius Street in Pacoima, when three Hispanic males approached him in a dark-colored Honda Civic. These unknown individuals then opened fire on Mr. Pledger, striking him 16 times and fatally wounding him. Detectives are continuing to investigate the crime but have not been able to identify any leads. The detectives believe a reward may compel members of the public to provide information on the persons responsible for this crime.

The persons responsible for this crime represent 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 persons responsible for the shooting death of Davon Pledger.

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 persons responsible for the shooting death of Davon Pledger on May 9, 2020, 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 death of Davon Pledger was 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 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 the victim is an especially disturbing crime 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 persons responsible for the murder of Davon Pledger.
4. That the sum of \$50,000 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: 
MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilmember, 7th District

JUN 23 2020

SECONDED BY: _____
NURY MARTINEZ (verbal)
Councilmember, 6th District