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LAPD Police Commission,

Yesterday and last night the world witnessed the takeover of the streets of Los Angeles by a violent mob that destroyed property and created human barriers that caused motorists to be trapped and falsely imprisoned. What is going on in Los Angeles and why were we embarrassed in the eyes of the world as the law abiding public were looking for the Mayor and Police to address the situation and restore order?

What exactly is the policy set by the LAPD Police Commission to deal with such occurrences of mass lawlessness? It appears that the LAPD is being held back as those who have no respect for the law or the free movement of people are allowed to defy the rule of law and those who enforce the it. Is that the case or are our eyes deceiving us? How many arrests were made for vandalism, unlawful assembly, blocking traffic and false imprisonment or any other crime?

Laws unless they are enforced are just words on a piece of paper In order to enforce laws judicious force must be used against the defiant. When there are no consequences for crime and disorder you get more crime and disorder. The right to free speech and assembly to redress grievances or protest is enshrined in our US Constitution and sacred. Taking over streets and destroying property is illegal and the law must be enforced otherwise the legitimacy of the government is in question. If the local government cannot perform it's duty and safeguard citizens in the face of a destructive lawless mob then it is time for the federal authority to intervene and re establish law and order.

The law abiding people of Los Angeles are entitled to and demand answers from our Mayor, Police Commission, and Chief of Police (if he is allowed to speak and not under political duress)! How many times do we have to witness our local government fail in its public safety mission by not supporting and backing our Police and Fire Depts?

For Public Safety and Freedom, Steve Reilly