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Los Angeles Police Commission 100 West 1st Street, Room 134 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Members of the Los Angeles Police Commission,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the relationship between the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and the Church of Scientology. The interaction between the LAPD, the City Attorney's Office, and Scientology raises questions about ethical practices. On February 11, 2025, I also submitted a written public comment regarding this same issue. Mr. Scott Hochstetter also commented in person at the February 11th meeting on the collusion between the LAPD and Scientology, as well as his experiences of harassment by the LAPD Hollywood Division. After the meeting, Mr. Hochstetter was approached by Michael G. Soto from the Office of the Inspector General. Mr. Hochstetter reiterated his concerns about potential retaliation for speaking out and sought assistance with investigating the swatting incidents. Mr. Soto provided his contact information and indicated that they would look into these concerns.

Shortly after the meeting, Mr. Hochstetter experienced another swatting incident. This swatting occurred on L. Ron Hubbard Way, near the Scientology building. During the incident, the LAPD turned off Mr. Hochstetter's live stream, placed a "gray key," and extracted data from his phone without a warrant. This action raises questions about compliance with the 4th Amendment. Mr. Hochstetter was also detained in handcuffs for an extended period resulting in an injury to his wrist. The actions I have witnessed by the LAPD on live streams over the past year are disgusting and deplorable to say the least.

It is important that the Los Angeles Police Commission conducts a thorough investigation into these allegations and ensures that the LAPD operates with transparency and accountability. The public should be informed about the extent of the LAPD's involvement with Scientology and assured that their rights are protected.

I urge you to address this matter seriously and take appropriate action to restore public trust in the LAPD. The residents of Los Angeles deserve a police department dedicated to upholding the principles of justice and equality.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Chiara Zona
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From: Los Angeles Citizen <[REDACTED]>
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To the LAPD Police Commissioners, Chief McDonnell, the entire LAPD and ALL Citizens,

On Feb 7th 2025 the most recent LAPD Recruit class 8-24 graduated 25 recruits from the LAPD Academy. I remind everyone that the goal for Academy classes and graduations is Sixty recruits so that the department can replenish its ranks due to retirements and retention issues. Only 25 Recruits graduated, far below the goal of sixty.

Moreover, upon review of the demographic composition of the graduating class 8-24 there were, and I use the LAPD categorizations, 18 Hispanic, 4 African American, 2 Asian and 1 Hawaiian graduate. Conspicuously absent from the graduating class were what I refer to as Americans of European descent or what the Department refers to as "White".

Now for the record I don't categorize people by race like the City of Los Angeles and LAPD does because I believe in individualism and not defining or categorizing people by collective race categories. LAPD officers should come in only one color and that color is Blue! However, not being blind to the reality of how Los Angeles City and LAPD recruits, hires and promotes we may wonder just what is going on. Why is there not one "White" recruit in a class of 25? Is this the result of DEI Policies that are discriminating against a whole racial category of people? Are there not any applicants from that population pool applying to become police officers?

This needs to be investigated and the public deserves answers. LAPD is suffering a recruitment and retention crisis and if LAPD is engaging in illegal discriminatory hiring practices that need to be revealed and remedied before another lawsuit is initiated against the LAPD. As a resident of Los Angeles I want to see the LAPD hire the best, regardless of DEI considerations. I certainly don't want the city engaging in racially discriminatory illegal hiring practices because it is immoral, illegal, unethical, unfair and Un American!

LAPD should be hiring and promoting the Best and not focusing on identity politics over merit and qualifications. When standards are high and the perception is that the hiring and promotion system is fair and

unbiased you will attract the best of all backgrounds and have a natural, not artificially coerced, diversity.

Prayers for the safety of Our officers and All!

Sincerely,
Steve Reilly

From: Voices For LAPD <[REDACTED]>
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Los Angeles Police Commission,

Last week (2 weeks ago) I logged in for the Police Commission Meeting via Zoom and as the meeting came on I immediately raised my hand at 9:29. Yet, for the second week in a row, I was not provided the ability to express my thoughts in public comment. I want the public and Police Commissioners to know that when the secretary says there are no more callers that I, and others have been waiting to speak. In the past, the Police Commission has stated that it would allow anyone who showed up to have an opportunity to speak during Item 2 Public comment. I again remind you that anyone who shows up in person, or via Zoom, should be given the opportunity to speak. That is only fair. Some people are not able to attend a meeting at 9:30 AM on a Tuesday or may have limitations due to health reasons. Let everyone be heard. It's the right thing to do!

I listened to Chief Randolph read his script entitled "Chiefs Report". Who writes that script? It has been said that the Mayors Office has to approve the script and many believe that is the case. Words matter and to call that mass lawlessness that occurred a peaceful "Immigration Protest" is an intentional distortion of the reality of what happened. The mass lawlessness event would better be described as an Anti-ICE Protest for Illegal Alien Invaders. Immigrants who are LEGAL do not have to protest and are greatly appreciated that they came to America THE RIGHT WAY!

The report covered two days of mass lawlessness that included street takeovers, Freeway takeovers, false imprisonment of motorists trapped by protestors, vandalism, assault with projectiles, failure to disperse, etc. That is not a peaceful protest. Five police officers were reported injured. Less than lethal munitions were deployed. And how many arrests were made? Two? That speaks volumes.

Who was the Incident Commander and who was preventing the LAPD from taking decisive action to restore order? What was the role of Mayor Bass in this LAPD acquiescence to mass lawlessness? In contradiction to the LAPD Police Chief and Commission remarks that praised the "calm and

restraint of the officers" who "Just stood there and took it" it is clear that acts that endanger the community, officers and city are mostly tolerated. Anyone who doubts this can review the video provided, not by mainstream media, but by citizen media that provided direct on the street coverage at great risk to themselves.

Commissioner Calanche requested that Senior Lead Officers provide "Know your Rights" outreach sessions to the "immigrant community" via Zoom in "key" divisions. Calanche should realize that the community at large does not receive that type of service, monthly Zoom meetings, from Senior Lead Officers and many SLOs are not performing SLO duties because the department is so short on patrol officers. "Know your Rights" sessions can be provided by community groups. Calanche should resign from her position of Police Commissioner based on her clear misunderstanding of the LAPD and SLO functions. She has repeatedly demonstrated that she has little to no knowledge of the LAPD, its policies and operations.

The question must be asked once again "Who is running the show at the LAPD" and what is the Policy on dealing with Mass Lawlessness events? Why was the lawless mob that took over streets on Cesar Chavez Ave east of Alameda Ave in the "Tunnel" not arrested or cited at the very least? Why was the mob released in pairs with a Verbal warning? In that situation the verbal warning is as good as the paper it was written on and perceived as weakness by those involved and the overall public.

As an American citizen that supports the LAPD and rule of law I sincerely hope that President Trump and ICE Director Tom "Hero" Homan and his ICE agent heroes aka HOMAN'S HEROES are planning to defund any police agency which does not cooperate with Federal law and policies under the concept of subsidiarity and that ICE performs its duties in removing criminal aliens in Los Angeles who pose a threat to all of us.

Remember Jamiel Shaw Jr murdered by a criminal illegal alien and the family he left behind.

For Public Safety For All,
Steve Reilly