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Subject: BOPC public comment

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Hallelujah

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To the LAPD Board of Police Commissioners, Chief Choi, the entire LAPD and Public,

Police Officer Memorial Day is May 15th. It is a day to honor the ultimate sacrifice made by our police officers and all law enforcement killed in the line of duty.

In 1962 President John F Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week! Yet on the LAPDonline.org website there is no mention of National Police Officers Memorial Day or Police Week. Is this the way the LAPD honors and remembers its fallen and the families and friends of the fallen known as police survivors? I wait to see if National Police Memorial Day will even be mentioned at the May 14th Police Commission Meeting. Although the Fallen are gone the real tragedy is when they are forgotten evidenced by National Police Memorial Day not being acknowledged and observed on the website.

Under the tab "Your LAPD" you can find tucked away at the bottom of the page "Officers Killed in the Line of Duty". Is that the place of honor assigned to the Fallen they deserve? I submit to you that the Fallen deserve the highest place of honor and there should be an appropriate Badge with a Mourning Band across it on the splash page for at least Police Week , the month of May and perhaps every day!

If you do not respect the ultimate sacrifice through observance of the Fallen in words and deeds what does that say about the LAPD decision makers? I suggest that the Fallen should be seen and remembered. Take some time and look at the "Officers Killed in the Line of Duty" area. See the faces, read the stories, remember and honor them. We owe them that! Remember the families they left behind and say a prayer for all the victims. And when you see a police officer on the street give them a sign of appreciation for their service, for the risks they take on a daily basis with a "Thank you" or "Thumbs Up"!

Heroes Live Forever!

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At tomorrow's meeting, please acknowledge Military Appreciation Month and National Police Week.

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Thank you,

Laura Chapin

From: DAFER DAKHIL <[REDACTED]>
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Dear Members of The Board of Police Commissioners:

May His Blessings and Peace Be Bestowed Upon You

The following is a letter I sent to Mayor Karen Bass regarding demands made by some public speakers during the May 7th., 2024 Commission. At the suggestion of Jacqueline Hamilton, Deputy Mayor for Neighborhood Services I am submitting it to you as public input.

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“Madam Mayor:
May you be showered with His Peace & Blessings:

During public comment at Tuesday’s May 7th, the Board of Police Commissioner meeting some speakers called for the removal of Commission President Dr. Erroll Southers accusing him, among other things, of Islamophobia.

I have known Commissioner Southers for nearly twenty years. I am familiar with his long years of service in various law enforcement agencies. I was one of his research resources while he was working on his phd dissertation. Since he joined USC we have been partners and colleagues representing our respective institutions.

Besides Omar Ibn Al Khattab Foundation Commissioner Southers enjoys respectful collaborations and cordial relationship with Muslim leadership and advocacy groups including MPAC. There is no evidence he harboured any bias, prejudice or hatred towards Muslims. To the contrary at the height of ISIS crisis his presentations, on panels at UCLA and in other locations in Los Angeles, were fair and balanced. The same can’t be said of other presenters.

While we collectively support the right of others to free speech. Racism, Islamophobia, anti Semitism and bigotry are too serious to be expediently exploited to defame those whose views we oppose, to assassinate the character and reputation of those with whom we disagree or slander those who do not fit the narrative we wish to advance.

Similar to other Angelenos groups Muslims are not homogeneous in their opinions. There is no one group that can claim to represent or speak on behalf of Muslims. However, the Muslim community has credible organizations, institutions and advocacy groups whose views and positions are respected and supported within the mainstream Muslim community. Non of them were represented in the Commission meeting.

Combatting prevalent racism, islamophobia, anti-Semitism and the eradicating of hate is the responsibility of all of us and not only a concern for the targeted community alone. However, it should not be hijacked or exploited by by opportunists to advance their agenda.

Your Honour appointed Commissioner Southers because of the integrity, expertise, wealth of experience and the standing in the law enforcement community he brings. This complements the diverse skills and credibility and the confidence Angelenos have in the Board of Police Commissioner you have carefully appointed.

The Board is currently engaged in the task of national search for the LAPD chief. This critical assignment should be clouded by uncertainty or speculation on future of the President of the Board.

This is my humble opinion but God knows best

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