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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, protecting the safety of the public and the members of law enforcement who carry out that duty on a daily basis is of utmost importance to the City of Los Angeles;

WHEREAS, on March 9, 1963, Los Angeles Police Officer Ian Campbell and his partner were on patrol in Hollywood when they were abducted at gunpoint by Gregory Powell and Jimmy Lee Smith and driven to an isolated onion field south of Bakersfield, where Powell shot Campbell to death; and

WHEREAS, Powell and Smith were convicted of murdering Officer Ian Campbell, with Powell sentenced to life in prison and Smith receiving a lesser sentence; and

WHEREAS, Smith passed away in 2007, and Powell has petitioned the State Board of Hearings 11 separate times for release on parole; and

WHEREAS, the Parole Board of Hearings denied parole to Powell most recently in January 2010, ruling that he would not be eligible for another three years; and

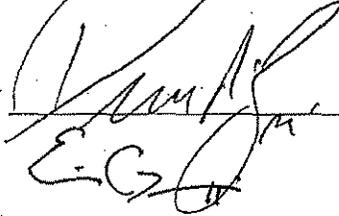
WHEREAS, the Parole Board of Hearings is again considering whether to release Gregory Powell; and

WHEREAS, by murdering a police officer Gregory Powell committed an abhorrent crime; and

WHEREAS, targeting a police officer in the line of duty is an especially vicious crime that should not merit leniency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Los Angeles City Council urges members of the California Board of Parole Hearings to DENY parole to Gregory Powell, who murdered Los Angeles Police Officer Ian Campbell.

PRESENTED BY 
MITCHELL ENGLANDER
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