## MOTION CIVIL RIGHTS, EQUITY, IMMIGRATION, AGING AND DISABILITY

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There has been growing concern over federal immigration enforcement actions occurring in Los Angeles communities involving individuals operating in unmarked vehicles, wearing plain clothes, and refusing to identify themselves to the public or to local law enforcement. These activities have heightened fear and confusion, particularly among immigrant communities, and have raised urgent public safety concerns regarding transparency, accountability, and due process.

At the same time, the Los Angeles Region has witnessed a documented case of an individual impersonating a federal immigration agent in Huntington Park where a man was arrested while carrying false credentials, firearms, and surveillance equipment. Such impersonations endanger both residents and law enforcement, and highlight the critical need for operational protocols that verify the identity of individuals claiming federal authority.

As the City's supreme legislative body, the Los Angeles City Council has a responsibility to review, strengthen, and modernize laws and policies governing enforcement activities involving the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). One such opportunity is to codify and enhance the recently adopted LAPD Policy Notice 11.2, *Response to Incidents Involving Federal Immigration Enforcement Actions*, to ensure greater clarity, accountability, and legal protection for all involved. While LAPD operates under the oversight of the Board of Police Commissioners, it is well positioned to implement guidelines and safeguards that reinforce constitutional rights and promote transparency in interactions with federal immigration agencies.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council REQUEST City Attorney, with support from the Police Commission, issue a report that leads to a draft ordinance requiring LAPD officers to verify the identity of any individual claiming to be a law enforcement officer, including Federal, State or Local (e.g., ICE or CBP) when such verification is requested by a person who is the subject of the enforcement action and is seeking assistance from LAPD in response to an agent who is masked, lacks visible identification, or otherwise cannot be readily identified. This report should also include an analysis of and recommendations around legal guidelines and obligations governing the Duty to Intervene for LAPD officers during interactions involving other law enforcement agencies.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of LAPD, to report back on the city's legal jurisdiction if it should choose to require other law enforcement agencies to comply with the draft ordinance outlined in this motion.

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