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Human Trafficking and prostitution remain serious issues in the City, in particular in South Los Angeles and parts of the San Fernando Valley. For years, the Adopted Budget has allocated funding within the Police Department (LAPD) Sworn Overtime Budget to fund Human Trafficking Task Forces in LAPD's Operations - South Bureau and Operations - Valley Bureau to combat these issues. These Task Forces couple sworn officers with service providers in an attempt to address the problem in a holistic manner, not one solely driven by criminal enforcement.

Recent news articles have highlighted the continued problem of human trafficking and prostitution in the City, and the difficulties faced by law enforcement and victim's advocates in stopping human trafficking. In order to ensure that Council and the public are aware of the full scope of the problem, the LAPD should be directed to report on the work of its Human Trafficking Task Forces over recent years.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Police Department BE INSTRUCTED to report with a status update and an overview of the work done by the Operations - South Bureau and Operations - Valley Bureau Human Trafficking Task Forces over the last five years, including the number of arrests made annually and the number of rescues of trafficked individuals made by the Department.

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