



URGENT: Request for \$4.5million in OT for LAPD Central (1)

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Diamond Club West Coast, Inc. <admin@diamondclubwestcoast.com>
Bcc: Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org

Mon, Apr 27, 2026 at 10:56 AM

Dear Mayor Bass,

I write on behalf of Diamond Club West Coast Inc. (DCWC), representing over 350 diverse members in the DTLA Jewelry District.

Many of our members are small, family-run businesses built over generations by immigrant families who contribute meaningfully to our city's economic and cultural growth.

Through our affiliation with the World Federation of Diamond Bourses, we remain connected to the global jewelry community.

As international attention turns to Los Angeles ahead of the FIFA World Cup and the Olympic Games, one question continues to arise: **Does our city feel safe?**

As women, we know safety is not just policy; it's personal. It's walking to work, opening our stores, and trusting that we, our employees, and our customers are protected.

Despite reports of declining crime, the daily reality in our district tells a different story: retail theft, aggressive behavior, and visible illegal activity.

With ongoing attrition, hiring challenges, and budget constraints, long-term solutions will take time. **In the immediate term, dedicated overtime funding for the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is the only effective way to ensure a consistent and visible police presence.**

We respectfully request \$4.5 million in dedicated LAPD overtime funding for Downtown Los Angeles, clearly protected for this purpose.

Last year's funding was absorbed into the general budget and did not result in the visibility our community urgently needs.

Attached are letters from the Jewelry District community that share these concerns and strongly support this request. Their voices reflect the urgency of the situation.

As Los Angeles prepares to welcome the world, we simply want to feel safe in our own city again. We hope you will support us.

Thank you for your leadership and attention.

Thank You !!

Diamond Club West Coast Inc.
550 S. Hill St. Suite 1600

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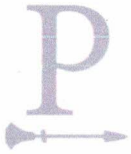
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Mayor Karen Bass 200
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April 24, 2026

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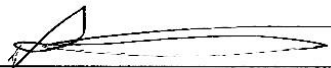
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 Date: 4/23/2026

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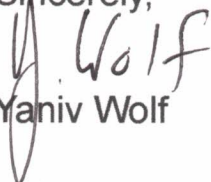
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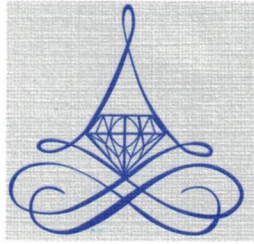
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Pascal Javaheri
CFO

Aska Artisans
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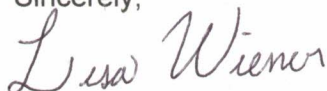
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Lisa Wiener
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V.P. Diamond Club West Coast



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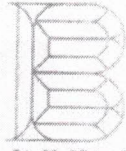
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Sunil Mehta
Manager



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Subject: Safety Concerns While Visiting Downtown LA

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A safer Downtown benefit everyone—businesses, workers, and visitors alike.

Sincerely,
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Sincerely,
Azar Borna
CFO of Bruce Diamonds, Inc.



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April 26, 2026

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Mayor Karen Bass
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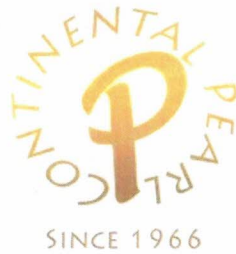
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I understand that staffing is limited, but increased overtime for the Los Angeles Police Department would provide an immediate solution to improve visibility and safety.

I also encourage that any approved overtime funding be specifically designated for Downtown, as prior allocations did not seem to translate into increased presence.

A safer Downtown benefits everyone—businesses, workers, and visitors alike.

Sincerely,

Bhavita Shah
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Diamond Club

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Los Angeles, CA 90013
(213) 892-9976
diamondzone911@gmail.com



April 24, 2026

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Public Safety Concerns in the Jewelry District

Dear Mayor Bass,

I work in the Downtown Los Angeles Jewelry District and wanted to share my concerns regarding safety in our area.

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Sincerely,

Jignesh P. Dhamelia
Owner, Diamond Club

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St. Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Urgent Request for Dedicated \$4.5 Million LAPD Overtime Funding for Downtown Los Angeles

Dear Mayor Bass,

I write on behalf of Diamond Club West Coast, Inc. (DCWC), a nonprofit organization representing over 350 diverse members in the DTLA Jewelry District. Our members' livelihoods depend on a safe and secure environment for their businesses, employees, customers, and vendors.

We respectfully urge the approval of dedicated overtime funding, specifically \$4.5 million for the LAPD, allocated exclusively to DTLA. Attached are letters from members across the Jewelry District supporting this critical request.

While citywide statistics may suggest improvement, the reality on the ground tells a different story. Quality-of-life issues including open drug use, theft, assaults, and ongoing public disturbances have become increasingly visible. For those of us who live and work in Downtown, the perception of safety has significantly declined.

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It is also important to note that prior overtime funding was absorbed into the general LAPD labor budget and did not result in the sustained, visible presence Downtown requires. For this reason, we respectfully request that any newly approved overtime funding be specifically designated and protected for Downtown deployment.

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While overtime is not a permanent solution, it is a necessary and immediate step to stabilize current conditions. We urge you to prioritize and approve this funding without delay.

Thank you for your leadership and attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,
Radhika Malhotra
Managing Director



550 S. Hill Street, Suite 1600, Los Angeles, CA, 90013

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

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Sincerely,

Fadi Bahdi
President of Diamonds Are Us Inc.

DQUEST INC

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 4 2026

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

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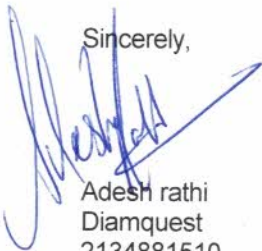
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Sincerely,



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Diaring Inc.
606 S. Hill Street
Suite 806
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Tel. No. (323) 309-4737

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

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Los Angeles, CA, 90013
Tel: 213 268 9110

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 23, 2026

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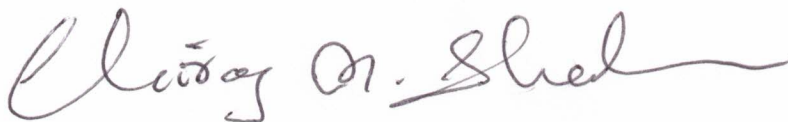
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Sincerely,

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Chirag Shah

DIAM VENTURES, INC.

550 SOUTH HILL STREET, SUITE 976

LOS ANGELES, CA 90013

Phone number : 213-623-6520

Email : dventure@pacbell.net

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
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April 24th 2026

Subject: Public Safety Concerns in the Jewelry District

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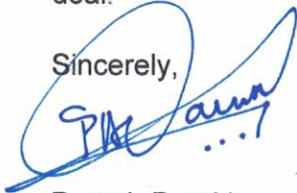
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Sincerely,



Paresh Parekh
Diam Ventures Inc



Earth Star Import Inc.
550 South Hill Street, Suite 1409
Los Angeles, CA 90013
(213)-923-9453

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200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
April 24, 2026

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Sincerely,

Vipul Udani

Vice President, Diamond Club West Coast

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Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date:

Subject: Urgent Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime Funding for Downtown Los Angeles

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Sincerely,



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Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

(Date) 4/24/2026

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

Dear Mayor Bass,

I am a business owner in the Downtown Los Angeles Jewelry District, **writing to urge the approval of dedicated overtime funding for the Los Angeles Police Department**, specifically for our area.

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Sincerely,

TAL CAPELUTO OWNER





Emperor Diamonds

INTERNATIONAL JEWELRY CENTER

550 S. HILL ST., SUITE 1051
LOS ANGELES, CA 90013

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

4/24/26

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

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Sincerely,
Neel Mehta
Emperor Diamonds Inc
213 489 4598



April 24th, 2026

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Public Safety Concerns in the Jewelry District

Dear Mayor Bass,

I have been the owner of a jewelry business in the Downtown Los Angeles Jewelry District since 1982, and I want to express my growing concerns about safety in our area.

On a daily basis, I witness conditions that make employees, customers, and visitors feel uncomfortable and unsafe. These include open drug use, theft, public nuisance, indecent exposure, urination in public, and unpredictable or aggressive behavior. Many of us feel vulnerable commuting to and from work, especially during early morning and late evening hours.

These issues are not isolated incidents — they have become part of the daily environment, and they are affecting the well-being of long-standing businesses, workers, and the overall reputation of the district.

I understand the challenges the City is facing with staffing and budget constraints, but with fewer officers available, **overtime for the Los Angeles Police Department is the only immediate way to improve visibility and response.**

I also want to emphasize that last year's overtime funding did not result in a noticeable increase in patrols in our area. This time, we ask that funding be specifically allocated to Downtown Los Angeles so it can make a real impact.

Your support in increasing safety for those of us who work here would mean a great deal.

Sincerely,
Hitesh Sheth
Equinox Collections, Inc.
1-213-689-9291

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550 S. Hill St. Suite 1600 Los Angeles, CA - 90013

April 26, 2026

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Public Safety Concerns in the Jewelry District

Dear Mayor Bass,

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Thank you!

Sincerely,

Fiona Cohen, CEO
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Los Angeles, CA - 90013

Gems International of California

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213-623-5370
giocwc@yahoo.com

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

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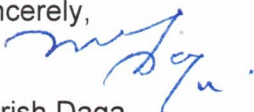
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Sincerely,



Harish Daga
Gems International of California
550 S Hill Street Suite 925
Los Angeles, CA 90013
213-623-5370

Gems & Diamonds
550 S Hill St Ste 1369
Los Angeles CA 90013

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

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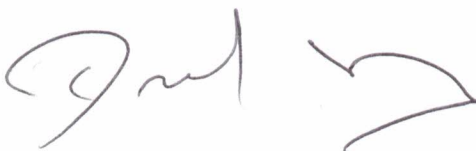
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Thank you for your leadership and attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

David Golbary



Gems West, Inc.
607 South Hill Street, Suite 422
Los Angeles, CA 90014

March 22, 2024

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Urgent Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime
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Sincerely,

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Vatche Shirikjian, President

Genuine Gem Inc.

550 South Hill Street Suite 542A Los Angeles, CA -90013

April 26, 2026

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for DTLA

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Thank you!

Sincerely,

Rami Ildardashti

Gerson & Horowitz

Diamond Importers & Cutters

550 South Hill Street # 1600 Los Angeles, California 90013 213-620-0767

Mayor Karen Bass.

04/24/26

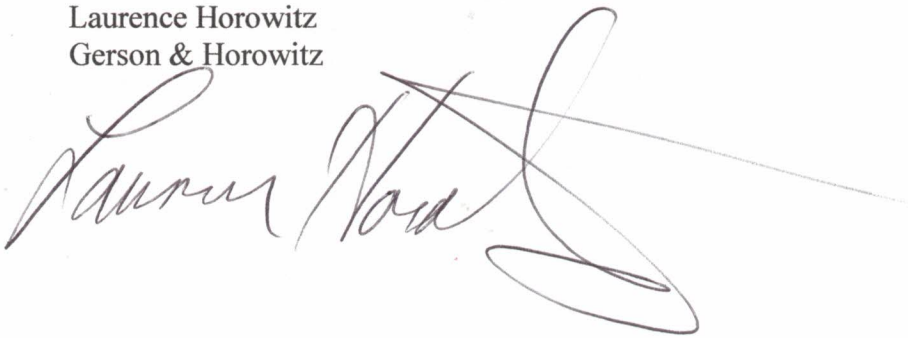
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Sincerely,

Laurence Horowitz
Gerson & Horowitz

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Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

04/21/2026

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Sincerely,
Meet Jethva
(PRESIDENT)

Meet. u. Jethva

Gold Diamonds Jewelry Design

550 S. Hill St, Suite 1600, Los Angeles, CA, 90013

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 23, 2026

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Sincerely,



Mike Ajmo
Owner of Gold Diamonds Jewelry Design

Gold Empire Jewelry

607 S. Hill Street, Suite 452, Los Angeles, CA, 90014

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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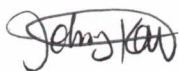
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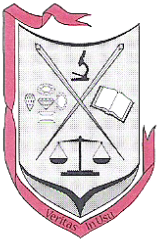
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Sincerely,



Johnny Kalo



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April 24, 2026

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

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Thank you in advance for your leadership.

Sincerely,

Charles I. Carmona, President
Guild Laboratories, Inc.
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H. Dayan & Co
550 S Hill St Ste 700
Los Angeles, CA 90013
213-627-4799

Mayor Karen Bass
200 N Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

Subject: Safety Concerns While Visiting Downtown LA

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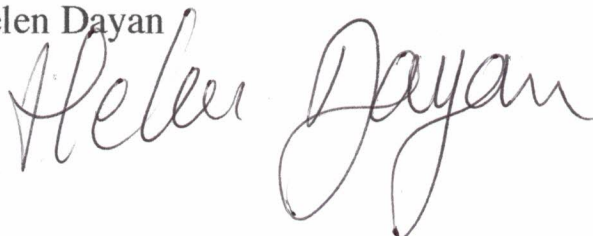
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Helen Dayan

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200 N Spring St.

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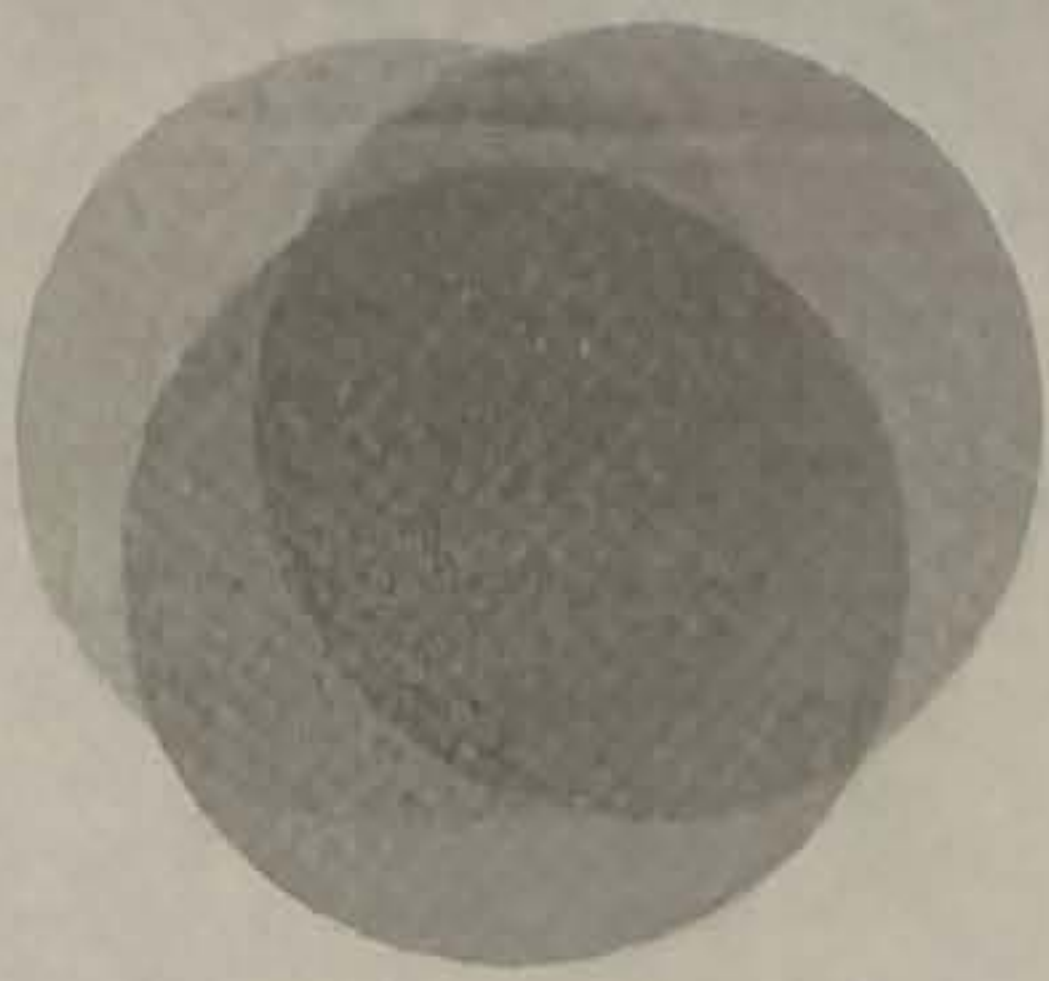
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Sam Barkati
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04-27-2026

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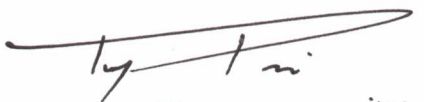
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Tanya Parikh

4.24.2026



Jhaveri Diamond Corporation

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Karatrade Inc
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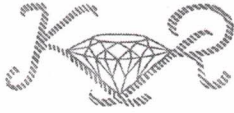
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Los Angeles Diamond Factory

Lala Bijou
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Laser Engraving Express

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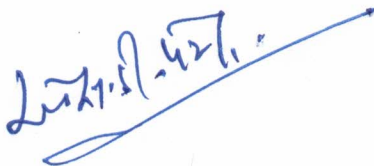
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Shambhubhai Patel
Employee of Lastronics Inc.



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Jitendrakumar Madaliya / Sheela Madaliya
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550 S Hill St #1490
Los Angeles, CA USA 90013
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 24, 2026

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Sincerely,
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April 22, 2026

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Thank you for your leadership and attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

David Marcus

Maruti Diamonds Inc.

550 S. Hill St, Suite 1600, Los Angeles, CA, 90013

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Mayur Kotadiya
CFO of Maruti Diamonds Inc.

Michael Raviv Diamond

550 S. Hill Street, Suite 985, Los Angeles, CA, 90013

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I frequently visit the Downtown Los Angeles Jewelry District and have noticed a significant decline in the sense of safety in the area.

While I value the businesses and community there, the visible increase in disorder and lack of police presence makes me reconsider how often I return.

I understand that staffing is limited, but increased overtime for the Los Angeles Police Department would provide an immediate solution to improve visibility and safety.

I also encourage that any approved overtime funding be specifically designated for Downtown, as prior allocations did not seem to translate into increased presence.

A safer Downtown benefits everyone—businesses, workers, and visitors alike.

Sincerely,
Ruth Raviv
Managing Director of Michael Raviv Diamond

Mirakle Gems, Inc.

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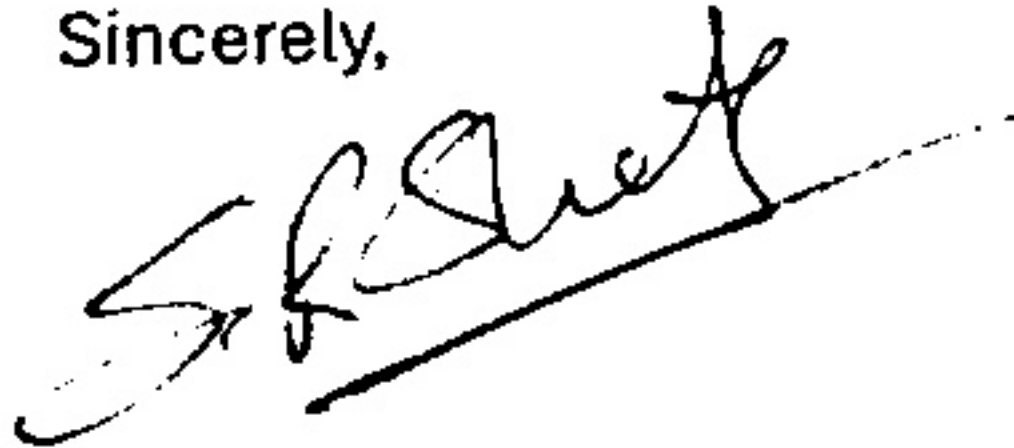
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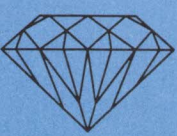
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Neon Gems Inc.

Diamonds, Precious, Semi-Precious Gems & Jewelry

April 24, 2026

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200 N Spring St
Los Angeles CA 90012

Subject: Public Safety Concerns in the Jewelry District

Dear Mayor Bass

I work in the Downtown Los Angeles Jewelry District and wanted to share my concerns regarding safety in our area.

On a daily basis, I witness situations that make employees and visitors uncomfortable -open drug use, theft and unpredictable behavior. Many of us feel unsafe commuting to and from work, especially during early or late hours.

I understand the challenges the City is facing with staffing and budget constraints, but with fewer officers available, **overtime for the Los Angeles Police Department is the only immediate way to improve visibility and response.**

I also want to emphasize that last year's overtime funding did not result in a noticeable increase in patrols in our area. This time, we ask that funding be specifically allocated to Downtown Los Angeles so it can make a real impact.

Your support in increasing safety for those of us who work here would mean a great deal.

Sincerely

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4/24/26

Subject: Request for Dedicated \$4.5 million LAPD Overtime for Downtown Los Angeles

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Pejmani Inc.
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Date: 4/24/2026

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Sincerely,
Elinore Kerendian

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