

September 21, 2020

Councilmember Monica Rodriguez,
Council District 7
200 N. Spring St. Room 455
Los Angeles, California. 90012

Re: Additional LAPD funding

Dear Mrs. Rodriguez,

We the FTDNC are writing to you regarding LAPD's "DE-FUNDING" We are here to ask you to recall "De-funding LAPD or find additional funds to equal or more of the amount that was taken.

Instead of defunding LAPD, we should be asking for additional funds for overtime, hiring additional officers, and equipment. How is the \$150 million budget cut going to be utilized? what departments are going to be the recipients of these funds? In the face of potential city employee's furloughs, the city should be using the \$150 million dollars for their salaries

Our communities' children and businesses are in danger partly due to slower response times, with this budget cuts the response would be even worse.

We are suffering the absence of our Police officers who put their lives on the line to keep us safe, we the people want you to hear our voices. No one in the City of Los Angeles can do the work that LAPD does, to protect our homes, families but, also our businesses that provide us with financial stability to pay our mortgagees and put food on the table.

Sincerely,