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ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

January 12, 2021

Brian K. Williams, Executive Director County of Los Angeles Civilian Oversight Commission 350 South Figueroa Street, Suite 288 Los Angeles, California 90071

Dear Mr. Williams:

UNITED STATES CAPITOL BREACH ON JANUARY 6, 2021

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 11, 2021, wherein the Civilian Oversight Commission (COC) is formally inquiring if our office is conducting an investigation to determine if any Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) employees participated in the breach of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021.

As the elected Sheriff of Los Angeles County (County), I strongly condemn the actions of any party who participated in this act and hope those responsible are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. At this time, I am unaware of any LASD personnel participating in this horrendous act. Should I find out that any County personnel participated, the Department will notify the appropriate County department and initiate a criminal investigation, if warranted.

My command staff has been instructed to remain vigilant and I encourage the COC to inform LASD if they have any information, which would assist us in conducting an inquiry.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Commander Jorge A. Valdez, at

Sincerely,

ALEX VILLANUEVA

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