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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF



May 5, 2022

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

Dear Mr. Williams:

**RESPONSE TO THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION'S LETTER
DATED APRIL 28, 2022**

Thank you for your correspondence dated April 28, 2022. I will carefully consider the Civilian Oversight Commission's (COC) requests and suggestions, but given the potential liability and oversight issues, I will first need to consult with County Counsel. As you are aware, the Office of Inspector General (the COC's investigative arm), as well as representatives from the County Counsel's Office already attend and participate in the comprehensive confidential death review process. They both provide comments and suggestions on how to improve future operations during death review sessions. Additionally, trained Family Assistance Advocates from the Department of Mental Health's Family Assistance Program provide trauma-informed responses, services, and support to families and friends after an in-custody death.

Should you have any questions, please contact Assistant Sheriff Brendan J. Corbett of Custody Operations at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,


ALEX VILLANUEVA
SHERIFF

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