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## **Re: Community Impact Statement on CF 22-0415: Serious and Violent Crimes / Public Transit System / Safety / Armed and Unarmed Response Models**

To Whom It May Concern:

At our regularly held public meeting on June 14, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council ("DLANC") voted to provide the following comments below:

The Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council submits this Community Impact Statement **in support** of CF 22-0415: Serious and Violent Crimes / Public Transit System / Safety / Armed and Unarmed Response Models.

As the terminus and hub of many of the City's mass transit systems, our community and our stakeholders heavily rely on public transit via the MTA and DASH network to further connect around our community and surrounding portions of the greater Los Angeles region.

As such, it is imperative that transit be safe and comfortable for everyone who relies on public transit. We know that black and brown communities, the elderly and youth, disproportionately depend on public transit for their livelihoods. When these networks are unsafe, they directly hurt people that lack other alternatives modes of transportation to move about Los Angeles.

Therefore, DLANC supports the call to improve the safety and security of the City's public transit network - especially at transit stops and stations.

In addition, DLANC further supports the MTA and LADOT, in partnership with LAPD, to study armed and unarmed models to improve awareness and safety on public transit lines.

We further ask that City Council submit an amending motion to request LAHSA and the County's Department of Mental Health (DMH), to report back to Council regarding outreach services to the unhoused community that often find shelter on public transit systems.

**\* SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY DLANC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JUNE 14, 2022 \***

Sincerely,

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President,  
DLANC

Debby Zhou  
Chair,  
DLANC Livability Committee

CC: Council District 14 (via email)