

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO REQUESTING THAT THE CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL INDEPENDENTLY INVESTIGATE THE OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN THE CITY OF VALLEJO ON JUNE 2, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, the killing of George Floyd, an African-American man by a white police officer using a knee to the neck in Minneapolis, Minnesota on May 25, 2020 sparked nationwide protests including within the City of Vallejo; and

**WHEREAS**, the majority of protests were peaceful; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to peaceful protests, the killing of Mr. Floyd spurred many people to participate in burglary, looting and other crimes including in Vallejo; and

**WHEREAS**, on the evening of June 1, 2020 into the early morning hours of June 2, 2020, the City of Vallejo was attacked by groups of people in automobiles participating in burglarizing and looting local businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, these groups of people burglarized and looted pharmacies and cannabis businesses as well as other businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the large numbers of continuous burglary and looting incidents taxed the ability of the Vallejo Police Department (“VPD”) to respond; and

**WHEREAS**, VPD responded to continuous calls for service throughout the night, engaged 15 high-speed chases throughout the City and surrounding area and responded over and over to looting incidents sometimes returning to the same stores multiple times; and

**WHEREAS**, one incident involved looting at a Walgreens Pharmacy; and

**WHEREAS**, during the looting incident at Walgreens, police officers believed they saw a gun on a 22-year-old Sean Monterrosa and fired five rounds striking him in the head and killing him; and

**WHEREAS**, what appeared to officers to be a gun was a 15-inch hammer tucked in Monterrosa’s waist band; and

**WHEREAS**, the officers involved in this shooting have been placed on administrative leave while the City conducts an administrative investigation and the County District Attorney conducts a criminal investigation to determine if the use of force was justified; and

**WHEREAS**, in the past, citizens have expressed concern that the District Attorney was biased because of her association with law enforcement in prosecuting criminal cases in Solano County; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires that the investigation of the officer involved shooting on June 2, 2020 be conducted fairly and without bias toward any individual; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that an outside, neutral investigator should conduct the investigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that the California Attorney General is best suited to conduct the investigation normally conducted by the District Attorney.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Vallejo resolves as follows:

1. The City Council calls upon the California Attorney General to order a criminal investigation to determine if any of the officers involved in the shooting of Sean Monterrosa committed a crime.
2. The City Council believes that the community of Vallejo, the County of Solano and the State of California will be better served in this circumstance with an outside investigation of the shooting.
3. The City Council hereby directs the City Manager, the Chief of Police and all other City staff to cooperate to the fullest extent of the law with any investigation begun by the Attorney General into this matter.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Vallejo at a regular meeting thereof held on June 9, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

**[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]**

APPROVED:

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Mayor Bob Sampayan

ATTEST:

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Dawn Abrahamson, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Randy J. Risner, Interim City Attorney