Chief of Police David Valentin

Santa Ana Police Department

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Re: Citizen Demand for Implementation of ***8 Can’t Wait*** *Reforms*

Dear Chief Valentin,

The recent death of George Floyd deeply distresses me. As a resident of Santa Ana, I share your concern for the safety and wellbeing of our citizens.

I thank you for the steps you and the officers under your command have already taken toward police reform and accountability.

Still, more must be done.

In Santa Ana alone, there have been 15 officer-involved deaths from 2013-2016. I believe this number is as troubling to you as it is to me.

Excessive force and racial bias in all police departments must stop NOW, before another person is injured or killed.

I respectfully request that you put in place the **8 Can’t Wait** ([www.8cantwait.org](http://www.8cantwait.org)) reforms that have not yet been implemented in Santa Ana. The data proves the **8 Can’t Wait** policies have led to a reduction in officer involved deaths and an increase in public trust.

Currently, this is the **8 Can’t Wait** scorecard for Santa Ana:

1. Ban Chokeholds and Strangleholds **Not Implemented**

2. Require De-Escalation **Not Implemented**

3. Require Warning Before Shooting **Implemented Successfully**

4. Requires Exhausting All Alternatives Before Shooting **Not Implemented**

5. Duty to Intervene **Implemented Successfully**

6. Ban Shooting at Moving Vehicles **Not Implemented**

7. Require Use of Force Continuum **Not Implemented**

8. Require Comprehensive Reporting **Not Implemented**

I call on you to produce a public, transparent, and comprehensive plan of action to implement the **8 Can’t Wait** policies by August 31, 2020.

Please inform me of your progress on or before this date.

Thank you,