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Coalition to End Sheriff Violence in L.A. Jails

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For the past year, The Coalition to End Sheriff Violence in L.A. Jails has been fighting for independent and permanent civilian oversight of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department custody operations. Our efforts have been county wide with an emphasis on the districts that are overrepresented in the Los Angeles Jails, District 1 and District 2.

Supervisor Gloria Molina and Supervisor Mark-Ridley Thomas are now being pushed to take this proposal more seriously because of the recent D.O.J. investigation of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department.

The Coalition applauds the supervisors for moving swiftly on this issue. We will continue to be on the front lines ensuring the safety of our loved ones who are incarcerated inside L.A. County Jails.

We want to make sure that this new Citizen's Commission is:

1. Made up of community members who will be accessible and available to the people of Los Angeles County.
2. Committed to keeping the Sheriff's department transparent and accountable.
3. Independent of the Sheriff's Department.
4. Works closely with the new Inspector General's office.

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