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**STATEMENT BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT PADILLA ON MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET
FOR CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

LOS ANGELES – City Council President Alex Padilla made the following statement today regarding Mayor Hahn's proposed Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Budget:

“In these difficult financial times, the City of Los Angeles must do more with less. I am pleased that the Mayor has chosen to make public safety a high priority for the City since we must address the ongoing problem of violence and gang activity in our neighborhoods.

“While public safety should always be one of our top priorities, it is now incumbent upon the City Council to fine tune the proposed budget to seek ways in which to maximize the other types of basic city services -such as street repaving and sidewalk repair - that directly impact the quality of life in each community throughout the City.

“The Los Angeles City Council will begin its in-depth review of the Mayor's budget and will seek to ensure that needs throughout the City are met by making the best use of limited resources.”

The 7th Council District serves the communities of Lake View Terrace, Mission Hills, North Hills, Pacoima, Panorama City, and Sylmar.

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