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PADILLA WINS APPROVAL FOR REWARD MOTION FOR SUSPECTED COP KILLER DAVID A. GARCIA

LOS ANGELES – City Council President Alex Padilla won unanimous approval today for a motion authorizing a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the apprehension of Sun Valley resident David A. Garcia, the subject of an intense manhunt and a suspect in the murder of Burbank Police Officer Matthew Pavelka and the wounding of Officer Gregory Campbell in a firefight at a Burbank hotel on November 15.

"The City of Los Angeles expresses its heartfelt condolences and our hearts and prayers are with the families of Officer Pavelka and Officer Campbell," said Council President Padilla. "The Los Angeles Police Department is part of a multi-jurisdictional team seeking the arrest and eventual prosecution of this dangerous suspect who is still at large. We urge anyone with information to contact the Burbank Police Department at (818) 238-3000 or (818) 238-3130."

Garcia is described as standing 6 foot 1 and weighing 220 pounds, with a shaven head and brown eyes. Garcia's alleged accomplice, Ramon Aranda, also from Sun Valley, was killed at the scene.

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

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