



San Diego County Sheriff's Department



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Ms. Lilian Serrano, Chair
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INMATES PENDING RELEASE REPORT AND WORKGROUP MEETING

Dear Ms. Serrano,

Since the enactment of The California Values Act and TRUTH Act, The San Diego Immigrant Rights Consortium has expressed concern and made policy recommendations to the Sheriff's Department. Such feedback has been helpful in shaping our policy.

During last month's TRUTH Act community forum, I appeared before the community and the Board of Supervisors. It was clear the Inmates Pending Release Report has been an area of concern for the Consortium and many community members. For this reason, I expressed my intent at the forum to host a working group meeting before year-end. The meeting's purpose was to discuss the Consortium's concerns with the Inmates Pending Release Report. As you know, this meeting is planned for Friday, December 11, at 2:00 PM.

Following discussions with my staff, law enforcement partners, and advocacy groups I have reached the conclusion the concerns related to this report significantly outweigh the value of it. Accordingly, the Inmates Pending Release Report has been removed from the San Diego County Sheriff's Department's website. As this was the only item on the agenda for discussion tomorrow, the meeting is cancelled unless you have other concerns to discuss.

I hope that you will see this step as a gesture made in good faith. While trust is not established overnight, I look forward to continuing our relationship with SDIRC and I appreciate our ability to work together in finding solutions and solving problems.

I look forward to working with you in 2021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William D. Gore".

William D. Gore, Sheriff

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cc: San Diego County Board of Supervisors

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