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March 18, 2026

Honorable Nathan Hochman  
Los Angeles County District Attorney  
211 West Temple Street, Suite 1200  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Request to Investigate Possible Violation of  
California Penal Code 148 (a) (1) Other Offenses Against Public Justice

Dear District Attorney Hochman,

Recent news reports paint a disturbing picture of Los Angeles City Council President Marqueece Harris-Dawson *potentially* utilizing his powerful position to violate the law to avoid accountability for an observed moving violation near a high school during morning drop off time. The moving violation was observed by a member of the Los Angeles School Police.

News reports indicate that during the Wednesday March 4, 2026 traffic stop Mr. Harris-Dawson contacted a member of the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education "... *in an apparent effort to get out of the citation.*"<sup>1</sup>

If this is true, the public deserves to know which school board member Mr. Harris-Dawson called, what was said on this phone call during the traffic stop and if the officers involved were contacted by the school board member.

We urge your office to conduct a thorough and transparent investigation to determine whether or not Los Angeles City Council President Marqueece Harris-Dawson violated the law and the public trust with his actions.

Very truly yours,

Ricky Mendoza, President

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<sup>1</sup> Zain Kahn, "Shocking new details emerge after top LA pol claimed he was targeted by cops for being black", *California Post*, March 15, 2026. [https://nypost.com/2026/03/15/us-news/new-details-emerge-after-la-pol-said-he-was-targeted-by-cops-for-being-black/?utm\\_campaign=iphone\\_cap&preferred\\_app=capost&utm\\_source=message\\_app](https://nypost.com/2026/03/15/us-news/new-details-emerge-after-la-pol-said-he-was-targeted-by-cops-for-being-black/?utm_campaign=iphone_cap&preferred_app=capost&utm_source=message_app)