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STATEMENT FROM MAYOR RON DELLUMS

Re: Shootings of Oakland Police Officers

OAKLAND, CA – “Oakland is reeling today from the senseless shootings of four Oakland police officers yesterday afternoon who were killed in the line of duty protecting our community’s right to live in safety and in peace. As a community we come together in shock, grief, sorrow and anguish.

“Our hearts go out to the families, friends, loved ones and colleagues of these fine officers who are experiencing a level of tragedy and loss that is beyond our ability to express in words. Every day our Oakland police officers put their lives on the line, and we thank them for their courage, their commitment to justice, their dedication to this community and their willingness to protect and serve.

“Our deepest sympathies and prayers are also with these outstanding men and women of the Oakland Police Department, who are collectively and individually experiencing unimaginable grief and loss. I want them to know that as a City family and a community, we offer our support to help them heal from this devastating event.

“I am bolstered by and grateful for the tremendous outpouring of kindness and support from every branch of government and law enforcement—especially the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office, the California Highway Patrol, local law enforcement agencies and Governor Schwarzenegger. Oakland deeply appreciates their generosity and assistance.

“Oakland is a vibrant, dynamic and beautiful city. We are resilient. And we must not let the impact of these events harden our hearts. I call upon our entire community—friends and neighbors—to come together, unite our hearts, rally our strength and dedicate our collective will to free our beloved city from the clutches of violence and despair. Enough is enough.”

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