

Resolution: Los Angeles Police Department Special Order 1 and the iWATCH

Whereas, the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council represents working class women, men, children, and families, primarily of Mexican descent, high percent youth, and undocumented,

Whereas, the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council supports our community members' right to privacy and civil liberties,

Whereas, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Special Order 1 (formerly Special Order 11) allows the LAPD to collect Suspicious Activities Report (SAR) based on numerous non-criminal observed and/or reported behavior such as, "using cameras in public, shooting video, using binoculars, drawing diagrams, taking notes, walking into an office and asking for hours of operation,"

Whereas, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) iWATCH program encourages the public to file a report even if people are not convinced that witnessed behavior is criminal,

Whereas, the implementation of Special Order 1 allows LAPD to racially profile people of color and immigrant people who make up the majority of the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council area,

Be it therefore resolved that the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council is deeply concerned about Los Angeles Police Department Special Order 1 and the iWATCH program that criminalizes innocent behavior, violates our civil rights and liberties, and promotes racial profiling,

Be it further resolved that the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council calls on the Los Angeles Police Department to rescind Special Order 1 and the original Special Order 11 with immediate effect,

Be it further resolved that the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council calls on the Los Angeles Police Department to terminate the iWATCH program with immediate effect,

Be it further resolved that the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council calls on other Neighborhood Councils that Special Order 1, formerly Special 11 be rescinded and iWATCH program to be terminated immediately by the LAPD.