



## **STENTORIANS**

**The Association of African Americans in the Fire Service**

**November 24, 2021**

**To: Los Angeles City Board of Fire Commissioners**

**From: The Los Angeles City Stentorians**

**SUBJECT: The Organization's Statement Regarding Fire Station 69**

Recently, a despicable act took place at Los Angeles City Fire Station 69 located in the Palisades community of Los Angeles. This incident centered around the delivery of a notice of non-compliance given to a Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) member who refused to disclose his Covid 19 vaccination status as per City ordinance.

As this member was handed the notice, he immediately unbuckled his pants, dropped them around his ankles and with notice in hand proceeded to wipe his buttocks that were filled with fecal matter that was captured on the notice (see attached photo) and then tossed it to the ground as witnessed by an LAFD Captain and Chief officer.

This deplorable and despicable act should have no place in the work environment in this City. This should be considered a terminable offence and zero tolerance must be enforced. The LA City Stentorians are sickened and disgusted by this horrific display of unprofessionalism.

To date, we have not heard from anyone from the LAFD administration condemning this act of blatant disrespect and harassment.

We call on the Mayor, City Council and the Fire Commission to take swift and immediate action to deter any City employee from feeling entitled and not encouraged but empowered to behave in such an embarrassing and threatening manner.

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Our concern is the safety and well-being of all compliant members of the LAFD and to allow non-compliant members to violate the trust of the residence of Los Angeles is a travesty. We eagerly await your response and suggested course of action.

**Sincerely,**

**The Los Angeles City Stentorians**

**CC: Congresswoman Karen Bass; Mayor Eric Garcetti, Deputy Mayor Jeff Gorrell; City Attorney Mike Feuer; Council President Nury Martinez; Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez; Councilman Joe Buscaino; President Kristine Larson, Los Angeles Women In The Fire Service; President Phillip Dominguez, Los Bomberos of Los Angeles City; President Jaime Moore, Los Angeles Chief Officers Association; President Freddy Escobar, United Firefighters of Los Angeles City; Mika Hilaire, Equal Rights Law Group**