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Mr. Paulson:

The POA Executive Board and I have received a copy of the Resolution introduced at the Labor Council on December 14, 2015 concerning actions of my members. The context and gross inaccuracy of the Resolution barely merits a response. I nonetheless feel compelled to do so.

This Labor Council Resolution is only another in a mixed bag of bizarre resolutions put forth by your woefully misguided organization. The premise of the Resolution has no basis, in fact, completely distorts the circumstances of the incident, and appears to be proffered by a pathetic, delusional organization seeking to redeem what it believes to be some modicum of political relevance. Isn't this the same gallery of wannabe contenders who just a few years ago desperately sought to elevate their presence on the local political scene by passing a resolution advocating the release of the 8 killers of a police officer, two of whom ultimately pleaded guilty to the murder of Sergeant John V. Young?

It is appalling, but no longer surprising, that you and some members of your organization continue to wallow in your ignorance. Nobody who authored this ridiculous Resolution has neither read any reports related to the Officer Involved Shooting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, nor spoken with any officers or witnesses at the scene, nor is knowledgeable about the still undetermined conclusions of the three independent investigations. Where does the SFLC come off requesting the District Attorney to prosecute the officers for murder? You have no basis and no standing to make such a claim and the POA will not stand for such a thinly veiled political ploy.

All preliminary evidence of this OIS indicates that the officers acted lawfully and within policy. It is once again evident that the truth and due process mean nothing to you and to some of your self-delusioned board members.

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On behalf of the POA Executive Board, I want to clarify to you what we intend to do regarding your resolution:

- We will be forwarding a copy of this letter to every member of the Labor Council.
- We will send it by "registered mail" to assure all of your members receive it.
- We will officially request that those members who are opposed to this resolution express their opposition in writing to the Police Officers Association within two week of its passage. If we do not receive such a letter, we will assume that they ARE in support of the resolution.
- Any member of the Labor Council who supports this resolution will no longer be considered a labor ally of this association and we will sever all ties with them.
- No member who supports this resolution will have any further communication, or support from this association moving forward.

Unless responsible people become more involved in your organization it appears these idiotic, divisive, and unprofessional endeavors attacking working police officers will continue. We can only hope that that may happen in the future.

Martin Halloran

SFPOA President