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City Council
City of Schertz

Re: Annual Racial Profiling Report

In accordance with the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134 the attached compilation of traffic stop information is submitted.

The required report must include the race or ethnicity of the individual detained, whether a search was conducted, if the individual detained consented to the search and if the officer was aware of the race or ethnicity of the individual before the stop was conducted.

Although Legislation does not offer any details concerning the evaluation of the data, over the past few years it has become commonly considered acceptable if the diversity of the data is somewhat similar to that of the demographics of the jurisdiction.

	Detained	Population*
Black	16%	12%
Hispanic	21%	29%
White	60%	70%

In addition to the statistical report, it must also provide information relating to each complaint filed with the agency alleging that an officer engaged in racial profiling. There was one internal investigation initiated from a traffic stop that did result in a finding of justified use of force. However, there were no complaints alleging officers engaged in racial profiling.

The law specifically states that data collected as a result of the reporting requirements shall not constitute prima facie evidence of racial profiling. In fact, I believe the data supports the recognition that the Schertz Police Department continues to ethically and impartially enforce the laws and ordinances for which we are responsible.

United in a spirit of teamwork, the Schertz Police Department, as a regional leader and in partnership with the Community, is devoted to excellence in innovative and proactive public service and safety while contributing to an exceptional quality of life.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Hansen", enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Michael R. Hansen,
Chief of Police

* Demographic data is from the 2019 census report 5 year estimate data profiles