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Subject: Request for Bard St. to be closed

In light of the recent event in Dallas, Texas where police officers were targeted and murdered, the Hermosa Beach Police Officers' Association is requesting that the city immediately close Bard Street (rear of the police station) to all none employee foot traffic and vehicle traffic. This request is for security gates at Bard St. and Pier Ave. as well as 11th Place next to City Hall. The safety and security of the employees needs to be the priority for the City of Hermosa Beach.

This request does not come lightly; however we feel that due to tensions in our society and agendas by certain groups for the past few years regarding Law Enforcement, that we cannot risk the safety of any employee. I am aware that there have been request before by the police and fire department about doing what I am proposing and that there has been resistance in completely closing the street to all none employee traffic. However, the specific targeting of Law Enforcement throughout our country brings a huge concern to me and my fellow officers. This concern should be shared by all city officials. I realize that this request in of itself will not stop some crazy lunatic from targeting officers but at the very least we will have a sense of safety while at our own station. Please feel free to contact me to discuss this request in detail. Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response on this matter.

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