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City Statement Regarding ‘Moreno’ and ‘Fogg’ Cases

Beverly Hills, CA (July 9, 2019) – The City of Beverly Hills issued the following statement regarding today’s jury verdict in the case of Moreno v. City of Beverly Hills:

The City is pleased that the jury found no discrimination against any of the plaintiffs. The City disagrees with the jury’s finding that alleged statements of Police Chief Sandra Spagnoli rose to the level of harassment or retaliation. The City remains committed to the police chief and her efforts to reform the department, and condemns those who are undermining those efforts, as was revealed in the trial.

Despite the plaintiffs’ demand for more than $20 million, the jury awarded only $350,000 to Moreno and $250,000 to each of the remaining plaintiffs.

In a separate matter, the city announced today that it has settled an age discrimination lawsuit brought by Clark Fogg, a member of the staff of the Beverly Hills Police Department’s forensic laboratory. Under the terms of the settlement, Fogg will receive a $300,000 payment and retire from the department.

The City of Beverly Hills remains committed to a BHPD that upholds the highest ideals of fairness, dignity, equality, and provides a positive work environment for all. The City is equally committed to continuing the significant improvements that Chief Spagnoli has brought to the Police Department including the addition of officers, enhancements in training, an increase in diversity, and greater public outreach.

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