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Memorandum

DATE: December 30, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Dawn A. McIntosh, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Amicus Brief in Support of Defendants in *U.S. v. State of California et al.*;
Case No. 2:25-cv-10999-CAS-AJR

On December 29, 2025, the City of Long Beach, along with numerous other cities, joined an amicus brief filed by the Public Rights Project in *U.S. v. California*, the federal government's challenge to the State's requirement that federal enforcement agents identify themselves and not take any steps to conceal their identities (no masks) during enforcement actions in California. The amicus brief focuses on the danger and harm to local municipalities and their communities when federal law enforcement agents act violently and anonymously. The amicus brief includes as an example the ICE enforcement action against the gardener at Polly's Pies in Long Beach and the response by local Long Beach Police Department officers who initially thought a crime was occurring. Feel free to share this information or to contact me if you have any questions.

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