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### **Santa Clara Asks Victims of Any Sexual Harassment or Misconduct by Councilmember Dominic Caserta to Immediately Contact the Police Department**

*City urges victims to come forward*

**SANTA CLARA, CA** – May 9, 2018: Recent allegations against Council Member Dominic Caserta require that the City of Santa Clara ask any **victims of sexual harassment or misconduct to immediately contact the Santa Clara Police Department by calling (408) 615-5580.**

The City of Santa Clara takes allegations of sexual harassment and misconduct seriously and urges any victims to come forward. Allegations of this nature against a public school teacher and elected official have resulted in various requests for City records, including crime reports. It is the policy of the Santa Clara Police Department that official records be prepared and maintained to document reported police activity. Under today's policing standards, an Incident Report would be filed for an allegation of this nature; however, it may be that a police report alleging sexual harassment or misconduct was not filed at the time. In addition, it is the Police Department's policy that Incident Reports *may* be prepared even when the complainant does not wish to file charges or have a report made and may be made for crimes committed or attempted. If the Police Department has any public records in its possession, it will release them when it identifies them. If there are no records, the Police Department will confirm publicly that it can affirmatively make that finding. At this time, the Police Department is actively searching its archives to determine if it has any police records, given that it has been publicly reported that an officer was called for service. Since the time of the alleged allegation in 2002, Santa Clara Police Department has transitioned records management systems several times.

The City of Santa Clara takes all allegations of sexual harassment and misconduct seriously and asks any victims to come forward and contact the Santa Clara Police Department immediately.

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