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Good morning,

I understand that pay supplements for public defenders was removed from the amended budget. Please restore this important provision to the budget.

I understand that COVID-19 has drastically impacted our world, and money is tight. However, COVID-19 is disproportionately affecting the communities that public defenders directly help. Public defender pay supplements is a small percentage of the budget but will have a spillover affect in helping some of the City's most vulnerable residents.

Thank you for your consideration,

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