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Judge Grants Amendments to Oxnard Gang Injunctions

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today that Judge Kent Kellegrew granted the District Attorney’s motion to amend two Oxnard gang injunctions. With this outcome, the Oxnard Police Department and the District Attorney’s Office will shortly reinstate enforcement of the injunctions against the city’s most active gang members.

The amendments add specific language regarding the process by which individuals may be subject to the injunctions. The procedural safeguards include a judicial determination regarding whether the person is an active gang member who should be enjoined from certain activities within the prescribed safety zone of each injunction. Prohibited activities include associating with other known gang members, witness intimidation, possessing firearms, or using gang gestures. In response to today’s ruling, District Attorney Gregory D. Totten noted, “The gang injunctions have proven to be an effective tool for law enforcement in minimizing the criminal activities of Oxnard’s most violent and active gang members.”

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