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STATEMENT REGARDING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

I was briefed this morning regarding the officer involved shooting that occurred Sunday evening. This incident resulted in the death of a citizen, Joseph Dewayne Taylor.

In line with this Administration's commitment to transparency and the agreement between the Shreveport Police Department and the Louisiana State Police, SPD immediately notified LSP of the incident, and LSP took over the investigation of it.

Any event that results in a fatal shooting by a police officer is a serious and sensitive matter. The family of Mr. Taylor, the officers involved, and our entire community deserve a meticulous investigation. The City and SPD will cooperate fully with LSP in their review of this matter.

LSP has directed that all communications about the incident come to and from LSP. The Mayor's office will comply with that directive so as not to jeopardize the investigation or its independence. Any inquiries prior to the conclusion of the investigation should be directed to LSP.

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