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The Honorable Dow Constantine
King County Executive
401 5th Avenue, Suite 800
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Seattle, WA 98104

Re: Death of Marcelo A. Castellano

Dear Executive Constantine:

On August 1, 2018, the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office received investigative materials from the Kirkland Police Department concerning the shooting death of Marcelo A. Castellano on June 14, 2018. Pursuant to the latest Executive Order on the inquest process (PHL-7-1-2-EO), this office has reviewed those materials and recommends that an inquest be ordered. The Executive's Order mandates an inquest to investigate "any death involving a member of any law enforcement agency within King County while in the performance of his/her duties."

In this instance, the Redmond Police ProAct Unit was involved in an on-going investigation into Marcelo Castellano. On the afternoon of June 14, 2018, the ProAct Unit found Castellano at a nearby gas station in Kirkland, WA. Castellano was parked at the pump and in the driver seat of his vehicle when the officers made contact. Officers gave directions for Castellano to show his hands and indicated that he was under arrest. As officers rounded the passenger side of the vehicle, Castellano was reported to be holding a gun. Officers continued to give commands and Castellano did not comply. Officers fired multiple shots. Castellano was pronounced dead at the scene.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (206) 477-1970. I would be more than happy to meet with you if you would like to discuss this matter in further detail.

Sincerely,

For DANIEL T. SATTERBERG,
King County Prosecuting Attorney

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Larson", written over the typed name.

Mark Larson
Chief Deputy, Criminal Division

cc: Kristi Wilson, Chief of Police, City of Redmond