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The Honorable Dow Constantine
King County Executive
401 5th Avenue, Suite 800
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Re: Death of Mantry Norris

Dear Executive Constantine:

On July 11, 2019, the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office received investigative materials from the Des Moines Police Department concerning the shooting death of Mantry Norris on June 15, 2019. Pursuant to the 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 of an individual involving a member of any law enforcement agency within King County while in the performance of the member's duties."

In this instance, on the evening of June 15, 2019, Renton police officers responded to a call for reported drug use outside a sports bar in downtown Renton. While responding to this call, a suspect, later identified as Mantry Norris, was observed entering the bar with knife in-hand. Officers followed in after Norris and observed him sprint towards and stab another man. In response, an officer fired his weapon. Medical aid was called but Norris was pronounced deceased 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



Mark Larson
Chief Deputy, Criminal Division

cc: Ed VanValey, Police Chief, City of Renton