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PASSAIC COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY MOURNS THE LOSS OF PASSAIC COUNTY SHERIFF RICHARD BERDNIK

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The following statement is from Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes.

“It is with a heavy heart that the Passaic County law enforcement community mourns the loss of Sheriff Richard Berdnik, a true law enforcement professional, partner, and colleague. We extend our deepest condolences to the Berdnik family, the Passaic County Sheriff's Office and all members of law enforcement touched by this tragedy. We thank you for your prayers and support as we work through the gravity of this loss.”

The investigation is active and ongoing.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Chief Assistant Prosecutor Allan Nawrocki of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office Fatal Investigations Unit at anawrocki@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 837-7768.

For day-to-day operational matters of the Passaic County Sheriff's Office, please contact Public Information Officer, William Maer at bmaer@pcsheriff.org or at (973) 389-5900.