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Attorney General Steve Marshall Statement on Death of Moody Police Department Officer Stephen Williams

(MONTGOMERY) — Attorney General Steven Marshall issued the following statement on the line-of-duty death of Moody Police Officer Stephen Williams Tuesday night.

"I was devastated to receive the phone call late last night that another one of our law enforcement heroes had lost his life. I have been slow to make a public statement today because, after a record-breaking year of law enforcement deaths in our state, words just seem so inadequate.

"Sergeant Williams was responding to a call for help at a local hotel. He showed up, ready to assist, and was instantly shot dead. At this point, we have no reason to believe that Sergeant Williams's shooting is related to the unrest we're witnessing across the nation. Nevertheless, our state has been plagued in recent months by a lack of respect for law enforcement—most of whom are genuinely good men and women, from all backgrounds, doing an incredibly difficult job.

"Whether black or white, law enforcement or civilian, we are all Alabamians. None of us benefit from lawlessness. As I shared with Moody Police Chief Hunt last night, my prayers and deepest sympathies are with the department and Sergeant Williams's family. My Office stands ready to assist in any way that we can."

