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Attorney General Steve Marshall Statement on Birmingham Linn Park Confederate Monument

(MONTGOMERY) — Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall issued the following statement in response to attempts to destroy the 115-year-old Confederate Soldiers and Sailors monument in Birmingham's Linn Park.

"The Alabama Monuments Preservation Act provides a singular avenue for enforcement — the filing of a civil complaint in pursuit of a fine, which the Alabama Supreme Court has determined to be a one-time assessment of \$25,000. The Act authorizes no additional relief.

"Should the City of Birmingham proceed with the removal of the monument in question, based upon multiple conversations I have had today, city leaders understand I will perform the duties assigned to me by the Act to pursue a new civil complaint against the City.

"In the aftermath of last night's violent outbreak, I have offered the City of Birmingham the support and resources of my office to restore peace to the City."

