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Mayor**

**City of Springfield and Springfield Police Department Address the Incident Involving Sonya Massey**

**SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**—The City of Springfield and the Springfield Police Department extend their deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Sonya Massey, who was involved in a tragic incident on July 6, 2024. Our thoughts are with them during this time of uncertainty and grief.

The City of Springfield and the Springfield Police Department share the community's desire to obtain answers surrounding this event. We understand that uncertainty can lead to unrest, and our priority is to ensure that we also obtain the necessary clarity and answers for Sonya's family and the public as quickly as possible.

In these challenging times, we encourage our community members to continue exercising their constitutional rights peacefully. Your voices are vital, and your support is crucial as we navigate this difficult period together. We are dedicated to maintaining the trust and safety of our cherished community.

We'd like to ask for your patience as we continue to seek the facts and ensure a thorough and comprehensive understanding of the incident that occurred.

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