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RELEASE: Official donation platform announced to benefit the family of fallen Minneapolis Officer Jamal Mitchell

(Minneapolis, Minn.) – Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis, Law Enforcement Labor Services (LELS), and the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA) are partnering to collect donations for the family of fallen Minneapolis Officer Jamal Mitchell who was killed in the line of duty on Thursday, May 30, 2024.

This is the official and only donation platform verified by the City of Minneapolis and the family of Jamal Mitchell. All proceeds will go directly to Officer Mitchell's family.

Ways to donate:

- Online through the LELS Benevolent Fund www.LELS.ORG/benevolent-fund
- Mail a check to Law Enforcement Labor Services Benevolent Fund, Attention: Officer Mitchell, 2700 Freeway Boulevard, Suite 700, Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

A flyer with these options (available for media use) can be found [here \(JPG\)](#) and [here \(PDF\)](#).

Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis President Sherral Schmidt said, **“The Minneapolis Police Department lost a hero. A hero that responded without hesitation to an active shooter call and tragically was ambushed trying to answer the call. This was a horrific and cowardly incident. It serves as a stark reminder of the dangers of policing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Officer Mitchell.”**

Law Enforcement Labor Services (LELS) Executive Director Jim Mortenson said, **“Law enforcement courageously put themselves in harm's way each day to uphold our safety and security, all too often without the acknowledgement and appreciation they truly merit. Let us pledge to consistently stand behind and pay tribute to our law enforcement partners, recognizing their sacrifices and commitment day in and day out.”**

Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA) Executive Director Brian Peters said, **“Our hearts are heavy as we stand in solidarity with the family of Officer Mitchell, the Minneapolis Police Department, and the entire state during this time of profound loss. Through this gesture, we seek to offer a measure of support and financial stability to the grieving family. To the brave individuals who tirelessly serve our communities as public safety officials: Your unwavering courage, dedication, and sacrifices are acknowledged and deeply valued.”**

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The Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis represents police officers up to the rank of lieutenant who are employed by the City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board. It is the largest non-affiliated law enforcement union in the state of Minnesota.

Law Enforcement Labor Services (LELS) is Minnesota's largest public safety labor union (7,000+ members) specializing in the representation of Law Enforcement, Fire, 911 Telecommunicators, Corrections, and Public Safety Support Staff throughout the state. LELS represents the rank-and-file officers and supervisors of the Burnsville Police Department.

The Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association (MPPOA) is the largest association representing public safety professionals in the state.

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