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DATE: Thursday, July 7, 2022
TO: All Media Outlets
FROM: District Attorney's Office, Augusta Judicial Circuit
RE: Guilty Verdict – Israel Scott Investigation

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The District Attorney's Office first wishes to express our deepest and sincerest condolences to the Scott family. No parent should have to say goodbye to her child so early and unexpectedly. The loss of this little boy is a tragedy, and the community's heart breaks for this family.

As of the time of this writing, the District Attorney's Office has not received the completed case file regarding the investigation into Israel Scott's death. Because of that fact, there has been no charging decision made by our office. We have spoken with Sheriff Williams and expect to receive the full file this afternoon. A panel to include the Deputy Chief of Special Victims, Deputy Chief of Operations, Chief Assistant District Attorney, and myself will be convened to review the case in its entirety. Our investigative team will conduct any follow-up investigation that may be deemed necessary. The decision on any potential charges will be made independently of any other agency. That is what justice demands, and what this family and community deserve.

At the conclusion of the panel's review, we will announce a decision. Until that time, no media inquiries or other requests for comment will be granted. It is our job to remove emotion and external pressure from this decision and analyze the law and the facts of the case fairly. Integrity, Fairness, and Justice are our office's guiding principles, and that will remain true throughout this independent review.

Yours in Service,

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