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Honorable Edward A. Rath III  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

Dear Legislator Rath:

The Sheriff's Office is in receipt of your letter dated August 13, 2015, requesting Sheriff Howard's presence at the September 11, 2015, Public Safety Committee meeting.

I am responding on Sheriff Howard's behalf to explain that the Erie County Sheriff's Office will be unable to send a representative to this committee meeting. Due to pending litigation, the Sheriff's Office is prohibited on commenting on this incident or any individual involved with incident.

If you have any question please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

John Greenan  
Chief of Administration

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