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Steven S. Alm Prosecuting Attorney Department of the Prosecuting Attorney 1060 Richards Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Law Enforcement Officer Related Death of Caillen Paoakea

Gentzler on December 28, 2020

Dear Prosecuting Attorney Alm,

Pursuant to section 28-153 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"), the Law Enforcement Officer Independent Review Board ("Board") reviewed the investigation submitted by the Honolulu Police Department. After thorough evaluation of the materials and information submitted, and discussion of the facts and circumstances of the case, the Board finds that the investigation was fairly conducted, and the use of deadly force by the law enforcement officers in this case was justified pursuant to HRS §§ 703-304 (Use of force in self-protection) and 703-305 (Use of force for the protection of other persons), and the Board recommends that prosecution in this matter be declined.

This recommendation is confidential until release by the Board pursuant to IIRS § 28-153(h), which provides that:

Once the board has issued the board's recommendation pursuant to subsection (f) and any criminal prosecution or proceedings in the State related to the officer-involved death have been adjudicated, the board shall release the board's recommendations and any accompanying reports, documents. and information, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

Please inform the Board of your decision as to whether you will prosecute the officers involved in the death of Caillen Paoakea Gentzler to allow the Board to comply with its

statutory obligation to disclose its recommendation under s HRS § 28-1 53(h).

Respe**g**tfully.

Gary A. Yabuta

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