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## **NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **UPDATE: Officer Involved Death in Fitchburg, Wis.**

CITY of FITCHBURG, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) investigated an officer involved death in the City of Fitchburg, Wis. that occurred on the morning of Monday, August 12, 2024.

At approximately 8:00 a.m. on August 12, 2024, Fitchburg police officers responded to a residence on the 800 block of Whispering Pines Way for a 911 call reporting a disturbance. While on scene, the officers were approached by a witness who reported a physical altercation between two individuals and directed the officers to the residence where the individuals entered. Officers knocked on the door of the residence for an extended period of time before entering. The officers located **Kevin D. Price** with a knife and **Fitchburg Police Sergeant Peter Johnston**, with 14 years of law enforcement experience, discharged his weapon, striking Price. Law enforcement immediately began lifesaving measures, and Price was transferred to a local hospital. Price died at the hospital on the afternoon of August 15, 2024.

Involved law enforcement personnel were wearing body cameras during the incident.

Sergeant Johnston remains on administrative assignment, per agency policies.

DCI led this investigation and was assisted by the Wisconsin State Patrol Technical Reconstruction Unit, Dane County Sheriff's Office, DCI's Digital Evidence Unit and a DCI Crime Response Specialist. All involved law enforcement fully cooperated with DCI during this investigation.