



August 26th, 2020

Honorable Governor Tony Evers
115 East Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Lieutenant Governor Mandella Barnes
115 East Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

REF: Press Releases and Statements in Reference to the Kenosha Police Involved Shooting

Governor Evers and Lieutenant Governor Barnes:

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully ask that those in your administration discontinue and refrain from making statements and issuing press releases specific to the City of Kenosha Police involved shooting until the facts of the investigation are known.

Previous remarks and statements made by each of you are premature, judgmental, inflammatory and only add to the anger and divisiveness of an already dangerous situation.

A continued pattern of statements and press releases based on opinion and unsubstantiated claims puts people's lives at risk. These are not peaceful protests. There have already been two deaths and many injuries.

Continued remarks like those already made by each of you have also put the lives of Law Enforcement Officers, National Guardsman and the public at risk.

Law Enforcement Leaders also respectfully ask that you call for an end to these riots and a stop to the violence.

Respectfully,

Sheriff Mark Podoll, President
WI Badger State Sheriff's Association

Chief Deputy Jeff Spencer
President
WI Sheriff's and Deputy Sheriff's Association

Chief Kenneth Pileggi, President
WI Chiefs of Police Association

Chief William Lamb
President
WI Police Executive Group