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**SHERIFF EARNELL R. LUCAS STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF
MILWAUKEE MUSIC LEGEND ERNEST “ERNIE G” MITCHELL**

Milwaukee, WI (June 11, 2020) Milwaukee County Sheriff Earnell R. Lucas issued the following statement on the passing of Milwaukee Music legend Ernest “Ernie G” Mitchell:

I am saddened by the passing of disc jockey great and Milwaukee radio legend Ernest “Ernie G” Mitchell. Ernie G was a Milwaukee treasure known to many because of his passion for sports, music, entertainment, and urban life. A product of Milwaukee Public Schools and graduate of Lincoln High School, Ernie G was known for his style and flair and participated in school talent contests showcasing his dance moves like great entertainers of the time, including the “Godfather of Soul,” James Brown. He pursued his love of music by becoming the host of a program on 860 AM WNOV Radio, and later went on to become music and program director at WNOV. He helped launch the careers of numerous Milwaukee radio personalities. “Listening to Ernie G was an experience like no other,” said Sheriff Lucas. “He had the ability to get a crowd jumping to the rhythmic sounds he knew better than anyone and the ability to slow the music down to get you in the mood. I recall many events in my lifetime where you knew if Ernie G was playing the music, a good time would be had by all. I will miss the sweet sound of his voice, but his memory will remain in our hearts forever. I send my deepest condolences to his wife, Maggie and family, his adoring listeners, and all who knew and loved this great man of urban arts, entertainment, music, and culture.”

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