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December 21, 2015

Chief George Turner
City of Atlanta Police Department
226 Peachtree Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: Complaint of Sean Kornegay & Delzorah Wall,
ACRB File #13-70

Dear Chief Turner:

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Mr. Sean Kornegay & Delzorah Wall alleging that on May 31, 2013, Atlanta Police Officers David Bourne (Unique ID #5041) and Neil Welch (Unique ID #3348) committed the following acts of misconduct: (1) engaged in excessive force when they shot Ernest Zaus Barnett multiple times; (2) caused Mr. Barnett's death when they shot him, and (3) was verbally abusive towards Mr. Barnett when they yelled words to the effect, "Drop the motherfucking gun!" to him.

The Board determined the following:

- The **Excessive Force & Death** allegations against both officers be assigned a finding of **Exonerated**
- The **Abusive Language** allegation be assigned a finding of **Sustained** against Officer Bourne and recommend that he received a written reprimand.
- The **Abusive Language** allegation be assigned a finding of **Not Sustained** against Sergeant Welch.

The file is available for review upon request. The ordinance requires that the Chief respond in writing regarding which recommendations are accepted, rejected, or will be implemented with modifications within thirty (30) days of the submission of a recommendation for action by the Board to the Chief (see Sec. 2-2211(O) of the Ordinance 07-0-0141).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Harrison".

William Harrison
Board Chair

cc: Mayor Kasim Reed
Council President Ceasar Mitchell
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Executive Director Lee Reid