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Ms. Sherry Williams  
Atlanta Citizens Review Board  
City Hall Tower, Suite 9100  
55 Trinity Avenue, SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: 17-080

Dear Ms. Williams:

I am in receipt of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's letter pertaining to the complaint of Mr. Robert Lester, recommending that the allegations of **Excessive Force** be **Unfounded** against **Officers Hodaiah Mitchell, Martin Shaft, Edward Irby, and Christopher Mercure**.

At this time, the Office of Professional Standards has concluded its investigation into the allegation surrounding Mr. Lester's complaint. The investigation substantiated all the officer's actions were within department policy as related to appropriate action. For this reason, the internal investigation resulted in a finding of **Exonerated** with regard to the allegation APD Work Rule 4.1.1 Appropriate Action and all the aforementioned officers.

Major Celeste Murphy, Commander of the Office of Professional Standards, can be contacted at (404) 546-5945, if you have any further concerns regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,

Erika Shields  
Chief of Police

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