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PRESS RELEASE

Officer Involved Shooting

SOUTH PORTLAND, Maine – Friday, August 25, 2023 at approximately 4 AM, officers from the South Portland Police Department were dispatched to Summit Terrace apartments for a domestic violence call with shots fired. Upon arrival, the victim informed officers that Christopher Dodge, d.o.b 08/16/76, had fled the apartment in his pickup truck. While investigating this incident, Dodge arrived back on scene and engaged the officers in an armed confrontation. Officer Anthony Verville shot Dodge, who was later pronounced dead at the scene.

Officer Verville has been placed on administrative leave, as is standard protocol in police involved shootings. The incident is being investigated by the Attorney General's Office. Maine State Police, Major Crimes Unit is assisting the Attorney General's Office at the scene.

Please direct any further inquiries to the Attorney General's Office.

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