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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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SUSPECT IDENTIFIED

The deceased suspect involved in the Friday night shooting in Craven Terrace has been identified as Bryan Augustus Stallings, DOB 11/14/78 of 500 Old Pollocksville Road, New Bern.



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SHOOTING UPDATE

The two New Bern Police Department officers wounded in last night's shooting in Craven Terrace are Police Officer Alexander E. Thalmann, DOB 2/3/92, and Police Officer Justin R. Wester, DOB 5/29/90. They were transported by ambulance to Carolina East Medical Center and transferred to Vidant Medical Center in Greenville for treatment. Officer Thalmann joined the New Bern PD in August 2013 and Officer Wester has been with the department since November 2012.

The suspect has been identified and we are working to notify his family. The State Bureau of Investigation and New Bern Police Department continue to investigate and follow up on leads. "It is standard procedure for the SBI to investigate law enforcement officer involved shootings," said District Attorney Scott Thomas. "Chief Summers and I have requested the SBI investigation and it is in progress. I met with agents on the scene early this morning as they began their investigation. They photographed the scene, collected evidence and conducted interviews. We anticipate the investigation will take at least two weeks. At the conclusion of the investigation, I will review the findings and make a final determination as to whether the shooting was justified. All initial indications are that the shooting

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was justified and that the officers acted properly under the circumstances. Our prayers are with everyone touched by this event and we hope the two officers have a complete recovery."

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New Bern Police Department Chief Toussaint E. Summers, Jr. is planning a press conference today at 3 p.m. at Greenville Police Department headquarters, 500 S. Greene Street, to discuss last night's shooting at Craven Terrace.

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ONE PERSON DEAD, TWO OFFICERS INJURED IN SHOOTING

At approximately 11:45 p.m. Friday, March 28th, New Bern police stopped a subject in the area of Craven Terrace to question him. Subsequently, a chase occurred and shots were fired. Two officers were wounded. The suspect is deceased.

No more information is available at this time. New Bern Police Department detectives are following leads and the State Bureau of Investigation has taken a lead role in the investigation.

More details will be released as they become available.

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