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GLENN R. FUNK
District Attorney General

March 17, 2025

Special Agent Matthew Massingill
Tennessee Bureau of Investigation
901 R.S. Gass Blvd.
Nashville, Tennessee 37216

RE: Case No. NA-5U-000067
(LE-A) Jonathan William Scull
(D-A) Maxwell Scott Van Sickle

Dear Agent Massingill,

Thank you and Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) Nathan Neese for meeting with Deputy District Attorney Roger Moore and me about this matter. On behalf of the District Attorney's Office we would also like to thank you for the investigative report you prepared. We believe the report contains all the relevant facts pertaining to this incident and no further investigation by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation will be necessary.

After reviewing the investigation file and discussing it with you and ASAC Neese, it is the opinion of this Office that the actions taken by Metropolitan Nashville Police Officer Jonathan William Scull were reasonably necessary under all the facts and circumstances. Officer Scull and other MNPD officers responded to the location where the incident occurred as a result of a 911 call that a man had been stabbed by his brother. As the officers were trying to locate and apprehend a person they knew to be armed with a deadly weapon, the deceased suddenly appeared and quickly approached the officers with a large knife. Officer Scull discharged his firearm in a reasonable belief that he and his fellow officers were in imminent danger of death or serious bodily harm.

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Therefore, based upon the facts developed by your investigation and contained in the TBI case file, Officer Scull's actions were legally justified under Tennessee law. The District Attorney's Office respectfully requests the TBI close the above referenced case. The evidence collected pursuant to this investigation will not be needed for prosecution and it may be disposed of in accordance with TBI policy and procedure. Thank you again for conducting this investigation and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Glenn R. Funk", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Glenn R. Funk
District Attorney General

Xc: Roger D. Moore
John M. L. Brown