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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

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Attorney General Slattery and US Attorney Cochran,

My name is Christopher Hale, and I'm running for the United States Congress in Tennessee's 4th District, which includes large portions of south central and southeastern Tennessee.

I'm writing today at the behest of a Franklin County family requesting that your offices open independent inquiries to investigate the death of their beloved nephew Johnny A. Baldwin, 24, who drowned in Tims Ford Lake on June 4, 2020, while two Winchester City police officers Sgt. Cody Bishop and Patrolman Tristan Delacruz and two Decherd City police officers Sgt. Greg King and Officer Tyler Womack stood by idly, failed to act, and even mocked Baldwin as he drowned.

The video of this horrible encounter was released by the City of Winchester, published in news outlets nationwide, and is [linked below](#).

It is my firm belief that any police officer who shows such disregard for the dignity of human life should never be allowed to wear the uniform again in Tennessee and America.

They, too, should face the full consequences of the rule of law.

Thank you in advance for considering a timely investigation into this tragic situation.

Sincerely yours,

Christopher J. Hale and the family of Johnny Baldwin, Jr.

Johnny Baldwin, Sr., Kassy Baldwin, Tina Baldwin, Richard Steier, Destiny Baldwin, Timothy Baldwin, Mark Baldwin, Ashley Baldwin, Jessica Baldwin, Bryan Hall, James Sweeton, Elba Rivera, Irma Neives, Wendy Sweeton, Derek Sweeton, Christian Sweeton, and Linda Sweeton