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## **BP ADAMS STATEMENT ON FATAL SHOOTING OF NYPD DETECTIVE BRIAN SIMONSEN**

“One of my brothers in NYPD blue was killed tonight in Richmond Hill, protecting and serving the city he loved. I pray deeply for the family of Detective Brian Simonsen, a 19-year veteran of New York’s Finest who was fatally shot in the line of duty as he responded to an armed robbery. My prayers are also extended for the recovery of Sergeant Matthew Gorman, who was wounded in the exchange of gunfire. I know too well the uncertainty that every police officer takes into every shift, and I ask all New Yorkers to join me in sharing goodwill with the thousands of men and women in law enforcement, particularly the members of the 102<sup>nd</sup> Precinct, who will be in mourning during the days and weeks ahead. May there be justice in the wake of this tragedy, and may we never forget Detective Simonsen.”

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