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Mayor

MAYOR SEGARRA TAKING TOUGH ACTION AS RESULT OF FRANKLIN AVENUE HOMICIDE

---NEWS AND COMMUNITY STATEMENT---

(October 7, 2010)--- Mayor Pedro E. Segarra has issued the following statement in response the latest homicide in the City of Hartford:

“I am working extremely hard to create positive opportunities and to champion the City of Hartford at all levels so I am not going to let a bunch of thugs get in the people’s way of moving our City forward. I am deeply, deeply disturbed by another innocent woman being killed by people who don’t contribute anything positive to our community. This administration has a responsibility to protect its residents in all of our neighborhoods. The police department has that same obligation and I have met with Chief Roberts who assures me that no stone will go unturned in regards to investigating all homicides--- including the Greenfield Street case where the Chief and I will go personally into the neighborhood to impress upon people the importance of their cooperation. That being said, this same sense of responsibility and obligation should also be shouldered by our business establishments and their patrons. It is my understanding, from preliminary reports, that in this latest case, there was a disturbance at the Franklin Bar and Grille, but police were not called until shots were fired. I am in contact with the State Liquor Control Commission and will work with authorities to close this business until the owners are in compliance and the investigation is complete. We need to have a better understanding of what happened leading up to this tragedy. In the meantime, I urge anyone with any information that could help with this and any crime investigation to please call Hartford Crime Stoppers at 860-722-TIPS. All information is confidential.”