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Attorney General Marshall Hosts 26th Annual Law Enforcement Summit

(Montgomery, Ala) - Attorney General Steve Marshall today hosted the 26th Annual Alabama Attorney General's Law Enforcement Summit. The Summit, held at the Church of the Highlands, provided continuing education training for law enforcement and attorneys from across the state. Participants heard from experts on U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) operations in Alabama, efforts to combat human trafficking, and modern-day policing. The event also included a memorial ceremony honoring Alabama's fallen officers.

"Safety and justice are top of mind for every member of law enforcement in our state. These trainings play a critical role for connection, reflection, and collaboration with our law enforcement partners that provide real-world results. I remain committed to using every resource and tool within reach to ensure law enforcement across the state can effectively do their job—keep Alabama safe," stated Attorney General Marshall.

This year's training featured remarks from ICE's Francisco Ayala, Assistant Field Office Director, and Chris Cannon, Supervisory Detention and Deportation Officer, regarding federally authorized raids and removal operations under President Trump's administration. Kevin Metcalf, Vice President of Strategy and Business Development for Whooster's Law Enforcement Division, spoke on strategies to combat human trafficking, while former Birmingham Police Chief A.C. Roper led a session on policing in a complex world.

Attorney General Marshall led a memorial ceremony honoring three Alabama law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty over the past year: Lauderdale County Deputy Sheriff John Randall McCrary, Tuscaloosa County Deputy Sheriff Timothy Wayne Johns, and Irondale Police Department Lieutenant Mark Meadows.

Deputy Sheriff John Randall McCrary, of the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Office, passed away on February 28, 2024, from complications of gunshot wounds sustained in the line of duty. A 15-year law enforcement veteran, Deputy McCrary served both Lauderdale County and the Rogersville Police Department. He is remembered for his bravery and dedication to public service.

Deputy Sheriff Timothy Wayne Johns, of the Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Office, passed away on October 8, 2024, after suffering a heart attack while serving as the School Resource Officer at Brookwood High School. A U.S. Army National Guard veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Deputy Johns served 23 years with the Sheriff's Office and was admired for his commitment to protecting his community.

Lieutenant Mark Meadows, of the Irondale Police Department, passed away on January 6, 2025. He was a respected leader and mentor who served his department and community with distinction throughout his career.



Attorney General Marshall continued, "With so many challenges facing our great state, this training provides a critical sounding board for timely information sharing. Yet, it is these moments of pause – when we honor our men and women in blue whose watch has ended – that remind us of what everyone in the room may face. The risks are great, but so are the rewards for our communities and for serving a higher calling. I am humbled by the incredible participation in this event, and by those who continue to run toward the chaos to protect their fellow man."