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April 21, 2020

Valentino Speyerer
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Dear Mr. Speyerer,

The Lower Township Police Department received your Open Public Records Act (OPRA) #20-072 request on April 17, 2020. The official Records Custodian, Captain William Priole, received your OPRA request on April 17, 2020. As such, the seven (7)-business day deadline to respond to your request is April 28, 2020. This response to your request is being provided to you on the second (2nd) business day of the custodian's receipt of said request.

Your OPRA request sought access to the following:

PD Incidents: 2020-11731

These portions of your request are being denied for Public Records based on the below stated OPRA exemptions:

The New Jersey Prevention of Domestic Violence also specifically provides that "All records maintained pursuant to this act shall be confidential and shall not be made available to any individual or institution except as otherwise provided by law." N.J.S.A. 2C:25-33(a)(7).

I would also note that N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1 specifically exempts records associated with domestic violence from disclosure. More specifically, "A government record shall not include the following information which is deemed to be confidential for the purposes of P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) as amended and supplemented ... victims' records, except that a victim of a crime shall have access to the victim's own records; any written request by a crime victim for a



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record to which the victim is entitled to access as provided in this section, including, but not limited to, any law enforcement agency report, domestic violence offense report, and temporary or permanent restraining order..."

Sincerely,

Captain William Priole 139

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