Media Information

Columbus Division of Police **Date: 5/8/25**

Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Elaine R. Bryant, Chief of Police

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide **Date: 5/7/2025** **Time: 11:39 PM**

Location of Offense/Incident: 4800 block of Manitoba Rd. **Zone: 1** **Precinct: 18**

Incident Report #: 250317955 **Cruiser District: 184**

Victim: Prophet A. Thomas-Applin	**Sex: Male**	**Race: Black**	**Age: 19**
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Suspect: **Address:**

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Incident Summary:

On May 8, 2025, at 5:17 AM, Columbus Police officers were dispatched to the 4800 block of Manitoba Rd. to investigate an unresponsive male victim being found. Upon arrival, officers determined the male victim, identified as PROPHET THOMAS-APPLIN, age 19, had suffered a gunshot wound prior to midnight on May 7. Columbus Fire medics arrived and pronounced the victim deceased at 5:26 AM. Next of kin notification has not been made.

Detectives are investigating to determine the motive. The investigation continues. Detectives request that any video recordings from the area between 11:00 PM and 12:00 AM on May 7, 2025 be submitted using the attached QR code.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Columbus Police Detective Yoder at (614) 645-2040, the Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730, or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Yoder is the lead detective and is being assisted by Detective Pribe.

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