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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The International Union of Police Associations (I.U.P.A.) Local 6020, is proud to report that after over three years that on July 25, 2022, a jury consisting of Broward County residents found I.U.P.A. Local 6020 member Christopher Krickovich not guilty for battery charges. This case was politically motivated from the onset, however, the facts of this case tell the truth as to what Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra were truly encountered with.

On April 18, 2019, Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra were conducting surveillance at the Tamarac Town Square, a commercial shopping plaza, which over the years has been an area where large crowds consisting of teenagers and adults gather to engage in violent fights, damage property, and assault and batter police officers. Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra were conducting surveillance on the Tamarac Town Square attempting to locate a suspect who was involved in a fight the day prior at the Tamarac Town Square and subsequently following the fight armed himself with a baseball bat and committed a home invasion. While Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra were conducting surveillance at the Tamarac Town Square, they were faced with the largest crowd to ever gather at the Tamarac Town Square. The crowd gathered for a rematch fight. Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra immediately intervened and began issuing verbal commands for the crowd to disperse immediately in order to de-escalate the situation and keep the peace. The crowd as a whole failed to disperse. After the crowd failed to disperse, Delucca Rolle, made a fist and aggressively stepped towards Greg LaCerra and committed an assault on a law enforcement officer.

The assault on Greg LaCerra is something that use of force experts for both the State and the Defense as well as the Broward Assistant State Attorney prosecuting the case agreed happened yet it was the police officers in this incident and not Delucca Rolle who were later criminally charged. As Delucca Rolle was being arrested for assaulting a police officer, he chose to actively



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resist by posting his body and pushing up off the ground in an attempt to evade the arrest. Christopher Krickovich pinned Delucca Rolle's head to the ground, handcuffed Delucca Rolle, and immediately ceased all force and provided water to Delucca Rolle.

Immediately following this incident, Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra were vilified on a national stage. Without being privy to all the facts of this case, politicians, and celebrities participated in undermining Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra's right to due process as Americans.

Attorney Ben Crump stated in June of 2019, if criminal charges were not filed against Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra by July 4, 2019, he would petition the Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division for intervention. Political pressure not due process resulted in Greg LaCerra, Ralph Mackey, and Christopher Krickovich being criminally charged on July 3, 2019, adhering to the deadline set in place by Attorney Ben Crump.

As a result of these attacks on their due process, Greg LaCerra, Ralph Mackey, and Christopher Krickovich received threats and had to have police officers stationed outside of their homes 24 hours a day for three weeks as their home addresses were published online.

Highly disturbing are the comments from Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson regarding the case involving Greg LaCerra, Ralph Mackey, and Christopher Krickovich. Following the June 16, 2022, Motion to Dismiss outcome, Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson stated to the media, "They just know they can terrorize and beat Black kids and get away with it by claiming to be 'in fear'. This excessive violent conduct is being protected but children are not." Following the July 25, 2022, not guilty verdict for Christopher Krickovich, Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson stated to the media, "Once again, this is a situation where the criminal justice system is failing Black people."



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Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson's comments about this incident are atrocious. Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson did not attend Greg LaCerra's motion to dismiss and did not attend the trial of Christopher Krickovich. Any attorney presenting a case in a court of law will always tell a jury to reach a decision based on the facts presented in the courtroom and not in the media. There was not one piece of evidence or testimony in the Motion to Dismiss for Greg LaCerra or Christopher Krickovich's trial to suggest racism played any role in this incident.

While it's acceptable to disagree with the outcome of a court case as a society we must accept and respect the process. Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson's comments are made with complete disregard for an attorney's Oath of Admission to the Florida Bar which states, "To opposing parties and their counsel, I pledge fairness, integrity, and civility, not only in court, but also in all written and oral communications." No attorney should undermine our system of justice or the very oath they take swearing to defend our judicial process because they do not like the outcome.

The International Union of Police Associations (I.U.P.A.) Local 6020 stands with and supports Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra. The politicians, celebrities, Attorney Ben Crump, Attorney Sue-Ann Robinson, and those who supported them undermining Christopher Krickovich, Ralph Mackey, and Greg LaCerra's due process failed to attend the trial and be privy to all of the facts of this incident and should cease all attacks on them and issue an apology.

Political agendas shined a spotlight on this case. Political agendas cannot trump justice. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 will not stand for it. It has to be procedural due process not political posturing that governs our society.



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Respectfully submitted,

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