Statement from Tacoma Police Chief Avery L. Moore on the Tragedy at S. 19th St & Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Tacoma, Wash. – Yesterday, a tragedy struck the City of Tacoma. The murder of a child rips at the very foundation of our community. We grieve, as Tacoma grieves, for the family, and at the same time, must come together to find a path forward.

The Tacoma Police Department stands firm in our fight against violent crime. Everyone deserves a safe place to call home, and no child should fear their community, nor should any parent have to bury a child. My department will not waver in the pursuit of the apprehension of those responsible for this heinous act.

I ask the community to support this family and each other. The Tacoma Police Department will never rest as we pursue safety and security for the City of Tacoma.

If you have any information regarding this crime, we ask that you call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.