STATE OF ALABAMA

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS authenticated information has reached this office regarding the deaths of D'Andre Paige and Jekeria Osborne in Jefferson County, Alabama;

WHEREAS reports indicate that the victims were shot and killed inside their vehicle at an intersection on Alabama Adventure Parkway on November 21, 2019;

WHEREAS the double homicide remains unsolved and the circumstances surrounding this event indicate that every effort should be made to apprehend and convict the perpetrator or perpetrators;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Alabama under Ala. Code § 15-9-1 (1975), do hereby offer a reward of $10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s), provided that no arrest has been made in connection with this case as of the date of this proclamation, and provided further that eligibility for this reward shall be limited to private citizens who are not members or employees of any government law enforcement agency or the relatives thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this the 25th day of June 2020.

Kay Ivey
Governor

Attested

Y. H. Merrill
Secretary of State
February 28th, 2020

Honorable Kay Ivy
Governor, State of Alabama
Governor’s Office
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

ATTENTION: Stacy Smith

Dear Governor Ivey:

On Thursday, November 21st, 2019 at 1628hrs, Officers received a call that a person was shot on Alabama Adventure Parkway. Officers responded to the scene. Officers observed a red Ford truck parked in the middle of the road and a dark blue Malibu off on the shoulder and a red charger parked in the middle of the road. Officers observed a female victim lying on her right side and she was unresponsive in the middle of the roadway. Witness two advised Officers that there was a man inside of the Chevrolet Malibu. Officers observed a male sitting in the front passenger seat of the Malibu. The victim was not wearing a seat belt and was slumped to his left with his head leaning back. Bessemer Fire and Rescue arrived on scene at 16:33hrs. They pronounced both victims deceased at 16:33:52hrs. There were two witnesses who stayed on the scene.

The first witness stated that her vehicle was in the left turn lane on Alabama Adventure Pkwy at the intersection of I-20/59. Witness one stated she observed the suspect’s vehicle (Possible 4-door sedan, burgundy in color, older model vehicle) in the number two lane and the victims’ vehicle in the number one lane at the same intersection. Witness one stated that she observed the suspect (Black male) fire
multiple shots into the passenger side of the victims’ vehicle. Witness one stated she observed the suspect’s vehicle drive away southbound on Alabama Adventure Pkwy but could not confirm if the vehicle entered onto I-20/59 or continued forward.

The second witness stated his vehicle was positioned northbound on Alabama Adventure Pkwy in the turn lane for the on ramp of I-20/59. Witness two stated he did not hear the shooting nor observe the suspect shoot at the victims. Witness two stated he observed a small dark sedan leave the scene driving southbound on Alabama Adventure Pkwy. Witness two stated he observed the female victim fall out of the driver seat of her vehicle onto the roadway and the driver door close. Witness two stated he observed the victim’s vehicle creep forward slowly, so he exited his vehicle and got into the driver seat of the victim’s vehicle. Witness two stated he drove the vehicle to the shoulder and put the vehicle in park. Witness two stated he observed the black male victim in the passenger seat with severe injuries, so he exited the victim’s vehicle and then went back to his vehicle.

Detective Kendra Ward with the Bessemer Police Department (205)481-4360, is the lead Detective on this double homicide. At this time, after collecting physical evidence, interviewing witnesses, family members, neighbors, and suspects, and are at a standoff. We need help from the public. This incident happened in broad daylight at a busy intersection. There are many unanswered questions. Detective Ward has done an interview with Crime Stoppers.

Although a thorough and ongoing investigation is being conducted by the Bessemer Police Department, they have been unable to locate anyone who can furnish any further leads that could help solve the case. I feel that a publicly proclaimed offer of a maximum reward by you will definitely intensify Bessemer Police Department’s investigation and prompt someone to come forward with productive leads as to who is responsible for this murder.

Your cooperation in this matter would certainly be appreciated by me. With highest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Raymond D. Burns
Deputy Chief Assistant

RDB/awb
Enclosures:  I/O report (which contains initial & supplemental narratives)
Facebook Article created by Det. Ward
Crime Stoppers of Metro Alabama Article
Bessemer Detectives Need Information Regarding a Double Homicide Case

December 17, 2019

On November 21, 2019, approximately 4:30 pm, Bessemer PD received a report of a person shot on Alabama Adventure Parkway near the intersection with I20/59. Bessemer officers responded to this location to find a male and a female victim, both suffering from gunshot wounds. The pictured victims were identified as Dandre Paige and Jekeria Osborn. The victims were travelling together in a dark blue Chevy Malibu that was stopped at the location where they were found. Both victims died from their gunshot wounds. Bessemer PD is seeking the help of anyone in the area before, during, or after this incident; or anyone that would otherwise have knowledge of this crime. Please contact Crime Stoppers of Metro Alabama if you have any information to share.

You remain anonymous, and the information you provide to Crime Stoppers leading to the charge and arrest of an identified suspect could result in a cash reward.
July 2, 2020

Lynneice O. Washington  
District Attorney  
Tenth Judicial Circuit – Bessemer Division  
Bessemer Justice Center  
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Bessemer, AL 35020-4907

RE: Reward

Dear District Attorney:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the proclamation issued by Governor Kay Ivey offering a $10,000.00 reward in the following:

Incident: Double Homicide  
Victim Name(s): D’Andre Paige and Jekeria Osborne  
Date of Incident: November 21, 2019  
County: Jefferson

Please be advised that this reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s) subject to Section 15-9-1, Code of Alabama, 1975, and shall include only private citizens with employees of any government law enforcement agency not eligible. It is our hope that the announcement of this reward will motivate anyone possessing relevant information to come forward.

If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call this office.

Sincerely,

Stacey Smith
(334) 242-7120

Enclosure