

MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 8 June 2021

Statement from Board Chair Diane Deans Regarding Horrific Hate Crime in London

(Ottawa) – The Ottawa Police Services Board is deeply saddened and horrified by the devastating attack on a Muslim family in London Ontario on Sunday.

Our heart goes out to the victims, their loved ones, the Muslim community, and to all of those grieving this heavy loss.

Islamophobia and all forms of hate have absolutely no place in our society. This was a senseless tragedy that robbed a young boy of his family and left a community in shock and horror. This tragedy was rooted in unspeakable hatred, and we must stand together and condemn all forms of hate in our community.

The Ottawa Police Services Board is the civilian body responsible for governing the Ottawa Police Service. It is responsible for ensuring the provision of adequate and effective police services to the City of Ottawa's residents.

- 30 -

For additional information, please contact Krista Ferraro, Executive Director, Ottawa Police Services Board, at 613-580-2424, ext. 21618.