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Navajo Nation and federal law enforcement arrest alleged Cameron shooter

TUBA CITY, Ariz. - On Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 12:41 a.m., the Navajo Police Department, the Navajo Department of Criminal Investigations, and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) arrested Derick Myron of Tuba City at a local residence.

Myron is alleged to have shot and killed a resident of Cameron, Ariz., shot and wounded two others, and fled the scene on April 29, 2024, in a domestic violence incident. Law enforcement authorities have been searching for Myron in the Cameron and Tuba City areas.

Speaker of the 25th Navajo Nation Council, Crystalyne Curley commended all the law enforcement agencies involved for partnering to address jurisdictional issues presented by the investigation. Speaker Curley expressed her sorrow for the tragic loss of life that resulted from the shooting.

"On behalf of the 25th Navajo Nation Council, I want to commend all law enforcement agencies for working swiftly to apprehend the suspect. We send our condolences to the family of the victim who lost their life in this terrible incident," Speaker Curley said.

Council Delegate Casey Allen Johnson, who is a resident of Cameron Chapter, also thanked the law enforcement agencies involved in the arrest.

"I'm deeply saddened and appalled by what unfolded recently in my home community. My heart goes out to the victims and their families. Please continue to keep all who are involved in your prayers. Thank you to everyone who reached out to our community members. At this time, I ask you to please respect the privacy of the families involved, as this incident is still under investigation," Delegate Johnson said.

Cameron Chapter President Charlie Smith Jr. said that his chapter gladly assisted law enforcement by providing workspace, tables, and chairs. "The chapter thanks all agencies involved for their great work in responding to this incident," Smith said.

A federal arrest warrant for murder and other charges was issued on May 1, 2024, and executed by the Navajo Police Department Tuba City District, Navajo Department of Criminal Investigations-Tuba City, and the FBI. Myron was taken into federal custody without incident.

Myron is scheduled for his initial appearance in federal court in Flagstaff, Ariz., later today.

This was a joint investigation and effort by dedicated professionals who brought a safe resolution to an otherwise violent incident.

The 25th Navajo Nation Council thanks the NPD Tuba City District officers and sergeants, Navajo Department of Criminal Investigations Department-Tuba City, NPD Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, NPD K-9 Unit, FBI, Coconino County Sheriff's Department and AZ DPS for all their hard work and collaboration.

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