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MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPUTIES INVESTIGATE HENRIETTA DROWNING
Re: Residence Inn Marriott

Henrietta, NY (March 24, 2019) – On Saturday, March 23, 2019, at 8:48 p.m., Monroe County Sheriff’s deputies responded to the Residence Inn Marriott, located at 1300 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta, for the report of an unresponsive individual in the pool. Upon arrival, deputies learned the individual was retrieved from the pool and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) performed. Deputies determined an adult was present with the victim, a child; 11 minutes transpired before the child was located in the pool’s deep end.

The child, identified as Jamielath Kabba, 8, Rochester, was transported to Strong Memorial Hospital where she was pronounced deceased. Deputies notified next of kin and are working with the Rochester City School District.

The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office Criminal Investigative Section (CIS) continues to investigate the circumstances that led to the drowning. MCSO is consulting with the Monroe County District Attorney’s Office, Monroe County Crime Laboratory, and the Monroe County Medical Examiner’s Office as part of its investigation. Kabba’s family, while understandably grieving, is fully cooperating with authorities and the investigation, as is the Residence Inn Marriott.

The Monroe County Sheriff’s Office extends its condolences to Kabba’s family and friends. Thank you to our deputies and first responders, including CHS Ambulance, the Henrietta Fire Department and the individual(s) who tried to revive the girl. It was an extremely difficult situation for everyone involved, especially Kabba’s family. Please respect the investigative process while MCSO works to gather all of the details surrounding this unfortunate tragedy.
There will be no interviews granted today as investigators continue to do their due diligence. MCSO will continue to share updates as the investigation warrants.

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