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City of Fayetteville Responds to ICE Presence During State-Led Stop

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — The City of Fayetteville is providing the following clarification after questions arose regarding law enforcement activity involving U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) earlier today.

"The Fayetteville Police Department has not been contacted by ICE or any other federal, state, or local agency regarding any immigration enforcement operations in our city.

At approximately 9:03 a.m., FPD received a request for assistance from Arkansas State Police related to a traffic stop near I-49 and Exit 64. A Fayetteville Police sergeant responded to the scene and observed both Arkansas State Police and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) personnel present.

FPD had no further involvement in the investigation and left the scene. FPD does not participate in civil immigration enforcement violations."

Mayor Molly Rawn reiterated the city's position, stating:

"I want to reaffirm clearly: The City of Fayetteville does not assist ICE in carrying out its agenda. Our police department's role is to keep our community safe, not to act as agents of immigration enforcement."

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