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Statement on the Shooting Death of Officer Grzegorz Pierzchala

On the afternoon of December 27, 2022, Ontario Provincial Police Officer Grzegorz (Greg) Pierzchala was shot while responding to a vehicle in the ditch in Hagersville.

Unfortunately, Officer Pierzchala succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased shortly after. He was 28 years old.

Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council sends their deepest condolences to Officer Pierzchala's family and friends as we all process and grieve this devastating event as a community.

"I was heartbroken to hear of this tragic incident as a result of a senseless act of violence, and of a young life taken so soon in the line of duty," said Chief Mark B. Hill. "I am sending my sincere condolences, thoughts, and prayers to Officer Pierzchala's loved ones and the entire OPP family for this immense loss."

"I also want to thank the Ontario Provincial Police, the Six Nations Police, and all other services who supported this operation for their swift apprehension of the suspects and for continuing to keep our communities safe. I have spoken with Chief LaForme and offered any services they may need to support the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation community at this time."

We understand that this incident may have been frightening and traumatic for many. Those who need support are encouraged to reach out to the following resources:

- Six Nations 24/7 Mobile Crisis Line: 519-445-2204 or toll-free 1-866-445-2204
- 24/7 Hope for Wellness Helpline: 1-855-242-3310, www.hopeforwellness.ca

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