



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Michelle Hinchey

Statement from Senator Michelle Hinchey

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KINGSTON, NY - State Senator Michelle Hinchey has released the following statement:

“The death of 11-year-old Monica Goods should never have happened. While the "depraved indifference" murder charge against State Trooper Christopher Baldner was dismissed today, the fact still unequivocally remains that this man used his police vehicle as a weapon and murdered an innocent child. I stand with our community against the ruling on this charge. Attorney General Letitia James, however, has shown a steadfast pursuit of the truth in this case, and I have every confidence in her commitment to delivering justice for Monica and answers to her family so they may begin to find peace.

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