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Governor Richardson Releases Statement on the Death of State Police Officer Susan Kuchma

SANTA FE – Governor Bill Richardson today expressed his sympathies to the family of New Mexico State Police Officer Susan Kuchma who was killed early this morning.

“The brave men and women who serve and protect the citizens of New Mexico put their lives on the line each and everyday,” said Governor Richardson. “It is a sincere tragedy when one of our officers is killed. On behalf of the people of New Mexico, Barbara and I wish to extend our heartfelt condolences to Officer Susan Kuchma’s family and to her husband, fellow State Police Officer, Patrick Kuchma.”

The Governor will order flags to fly at half staff in honor of Officer Kuchma, at a later date.

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