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PRESS RELEASE

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On April 30, 2022 at approximately 11:21 PM, Spotsylvania County 911 Center received a report of a shooting in the 10100 block of Patriot Highway in the Cosner Corner area. Deputies arrived and found a 35-year-old Spotsylvania man suffering from a multiple gunshot wounds to the upper body. Despite life saving measures, the male succumbed to his injuries while on scene. The victim was identified as Shawn D. Hastings.

Witnesses provided deputies with a description of the suspect and his vehicle that left the scene. With the assistance of Caroline County Sheriff's Office and Virginia State Police, the suspect was identified as Jesse Dean Beebout, a 34-year old male from Caroline County. Mr. Beebout was taken into custody by Spotsylvania detectives early this morning at his residence in the Lake Caroline community. A firearm was recovered during the arrest and it appeared that the suspect suffered a self-inflicted gunshot wound to his hand during the shooting incident. Detectives learned that the shooting was a result of a dispute that started inside a local restaurant. According to witnesses, Mr. Hastings was shot in the parking lot after he exited the restaurant.

Jesse Dean Beebout was arrested for 2nd Degree Murder and use of a firearm while committing a felony. Mr. Beebout is in police custody and being treated at a local hospital for his injuries. Once he is released he will be transported to the Rappahannock Regional Jail under no bond.

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