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Summit County Prosecutor Opposes Cop Killer's Parole
Summit County Prosecutor's Office seeking community assistance

AKRON, OHIO – February 17, 2012 – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherri Bevan Walsh is asking the community to help her and the victim's family oppose the parole of a man who participated in the murder of an off-duty Akron police detective.

In 1975, Donald Webb and his accomplices broke into Shippers Dispatch, Inc. Akron Police Detective Gary Yost, Sr., who was working an off-duty security job there, saw them with tires and attempted to stop them. However, they overpowered him, taking his gun and shooting him in the back with his own gun.

Detective Yost was left in a field to die. He was found the next day after his wife went to Shippers to see why he had not come home.

"Donald Webb committed a terrible and cowardly act when he participated in the murder of a respected Akron police officer," said Prosecutor Walsh. "Webb was on parole at the time of this murder and has already been repeatedly paroled for this crime. Each time he was quickly sent back to prison for violating his parole. I am asking the community to join me and Detective Yost's family in opposing Webb's release."

Letters should be sent by February 29 to the Ohio Parole Board, Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, 770 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43222 or via email to DRC.Victim.Services@odrc.state.oh.us. Please include Webb's name and inmate number (A563915) in your letter.