



## STATEMENT FROM MAYOR KATHLEEN WALKER

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“Tonight, our Sandy community grieves the unimaginable loss of lives from a domestic violence incident. Our small town is not shielded by distance or size. Sandy sadly has joined an unfortunate group of other towns to face this crisis. In moments like this, our community connections are most important. I urge us to let law enforcement and the district attorney do their job of investigating this complex incident. We must support the family, friends and neighbors of the victims. We are so grateful for the assistance of our agency partners: County Sheriff offices SWAT, OSP, fire and medical and other city police departments that are assisting in our response and the investigations that are started.

This tragedy reaches beyond the neighborhood where it happened. It reaches the families and friends of the victims, and the neighbors who witnessed the shootings and aftermath. We honor our city police officers who answered the call, and the officer that was wounded, It shakes our community to its core. Going forward we must restore our sense of safety. We must check on one another. We must support those who carry the weight of what they saw and heard today. And we must not ignore the deeper issues—violence in the home, untreated trauma, and the silence that allows both to grow. Please keep our officer, the victims and their loved ones, and everyone in our community in your thoughts.”