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Below are public statements by Columbia Heights Police Department Deputy Chief Erik Johnston, Anoka County Sheriff Brad Wise, and Anoka County Attorney Brad Johnson, following Jordan Dupree Collins Sr.'s first court appearance this morning.

"First and foremost, our hearts are with the family and loved ones of Manny Collins. We cannot begin to imagine the depth of their grief, and we share in their sorrow over this unimaginable loss. While nothing can undo the pain they've endured, we hope the arrest and charging of Jordan Dupree Collins brings a small measure of peace and the assurance that justice is being pursued. This has been a deeply emotional case for everyone involved, and we are incredibly grateful for the dedication and work of our investigators and those from our partner agencies. Their collective efforts have been instrumental in moving this case forward and we are committed to seeing it through." - **Columbia Heights Police Department Deputy Chief Erik Johnston**

"The disappearance, and now death investigation of Manny Collins has been a heart wrenching case for all involved, mostly for his mother Ashley. While nothing can fill the hole in our community due to Manny's loss, I hope that the arrest of Jordan Collins Sr. will bring some peace to those who love him. Detectives have tirelessly worked to determine where Manny was and what happened to him. There are still questions to be answered and the Columbia Heights Police Department, Anoka County Sheriff's Office, Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, and Federal Bureau of Investigation will exhaust every effort to bring those details to light for Manny's family. I continue to send my sympathies and support to Manny's mother and loved ones as they navigate through this painful time." - **Anoka County Sheriff Brad Wise**

On Wednesday July 9, 2025, the Anoka County Attorney's Office charged Jordan Dupree Collins with a single count of Murder in the Second Degree for the death of his son, Manny Collins. Mr. Collins appeared in custody at the Anoka County Courthouse the morning of July 9, 2025, for arraignment. At his request, the court appointed an attorney to represent him. Mr. Collins is presumed innocent and will receive a fair trial in Anoka County. Due public safety and flight risk concerns, the State requested bail be set high at \$3 Million unconditional / \$2 Million conditional bail with conditions being to surrender any passport, GPS monitoring, and no possession of any weapons. The court accepted that request. The criminal complaint contains certain details necessary to support the charge filed. All criminal justice partners recognize that that these details are heart wrenching for Manny's loved ones and for our community. Law enforcement's commitment to this case has been extraordinary and ongoing. Out of respect for Manny's friends, family and to preserve the integrity of the investigation, the evidence, and the criminal justice process, the Anoka County Attorney's Office will reserve further public comment for a more appropriate time. Veteran and experienced prosecutors and victim-witness specialists in the Anoka County Attorney's Office have been assigned to this case and to work with our criminal justice partners in pursuit of justice for Manny." - **Anoka County Attorney Brad Johnson**