

## STATE OF ALABAMA

# PROCLAMATION

### BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS authenticated information has reached this office regarding the murder of Sara Elizabeth Starr in Coffee County, Alabama;

WHEREAS the deceased victim was discovered on November 27, 2017, at a residence on County Road 647 in Chancellor;

WHEREAS it appears the murder remains unsolved; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Alabama, under Ala. Code § 15-9-1 (1975), do hereby increase the existing reward, issued on January 3, 2018, to a total of \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator(s), provided that no arrest has been made in connection with this murder as of the date of this proclamation, and provided further that eligibility for this reward shall be limited to private citizens who are not members or employees of any government law enforcement agency or the relatives thereof.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September 2020.

Kay Ivey Governor

**ATTEST** 

John H. Merrill Secretary of State



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September 2, 2020

Honorable Kay Ivey Governor of the State of Alabama Capitol Building 600 Dexter Avenue Suite N 203 Montgomery, AL 36130

Attention: Stacey Smith

Dear Governor Ivey:



On November 27, 2017, the Coffee County Sheriff's Office was called to a residence on County Road 647 in Chancellor, Alabama, in reference to a deceased white female by the name of Sara Elizabeth Starr being found. Certain leads had been developed but a suspect had yet to be identified. A written request for reward was submitted on December 28, 2017 and was subsequently granted. Certain additional evidence and leads have been gathered, yet there has still been no suspect charged.

The case agent in this case is Coffee County Sheriff's Office Deputy Kenny Davis. The Coffee County Sheriff's Office spoke to you regarding same on the morning of December 27, 2017 and has recently updated you on the matter.

Pursuant to Section 15-9-1 Code of Alabama, 1975, I, the District Attorney and the Coffee County Sheriff's Office request the Governor's Office to offer a reward increase in the amount of \$5,000.00 for information and/or evidence leading to the arrest and/or conviction in regards to this crime. This would bring the reward total to the amount of \$10,000.00.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Anderson

District Attorney

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Attachment

cc: Coffee County Sheriff's Office, file

#### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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### STATE OF ALABAMA

September 18, 2020

The Honorable Tom Anderson District Attorney Twelfth Judicial Circuit P.O. Box 311102 Enterprise, AL 36331-1102

RE: Reward Increase

Dear Tom:

Per your request, the reward issued in the referenced unsolved case has been increased to \$10,000. Enclosed you will find a copy of the proclamation issued by Governor Kay Ivey on September 15, 2020.

Victim: Sara Elizabeth Starr

Incident: Murder

Date of Incident: November 27, 2017

County: Coffee County

Please be advised that this reward is being offered for information leading to the *arrest and conviction* of the perpetrator(s) with the employees of any law enforcement agency or the relatives thereof not eligible. It is our hope that the issuance of this proclamation will motivate anyone possessing relevant information to come forward.

If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call this office.

Sincerely,

Stacey Smith

Governor's Legal Office

(334) 242-7188

Enclosure(s)

### Smith, Stacey

From:

chilburn@da12th.us

Sent:

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:31 PM

To:

Smith, Stacey

Subject:

Reward Increase Request

Attachments:

Starr - Reward Increase Request.pdf

Please see attached letter requesting a reward increase concerning the Sara Elizabeth Starr case. Please let me know if you need anything further concerning this matter.

### Courtney Hilburn

**Executive Assistant** 

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