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STAMFORD NAACP "HANDS UP - DON'T SHOOT" RALLY

STAMFORD, CT - The Stamford NAACP will be holding a Rally on the steps of the Government Center on Sunday, November 30th at 6pm in response to the verdict out of Ferguson, MO.

A St. Louis County grand jury declined to indict officer Darren Wilson, 28, for the shooting and killing of unarmed 18-year-old Michael Brown, Jr. In light of this decision, the NAACP has released the following statement.

From Cornell William Brooks, NAACP President and CEO:

The NAACP stands with citizens and communities who are deeply disappointed that the grand jury did not indict Darren Wilson for the tragic death of Michael Brown, Jr. We stand committed to continue our fight against racial profiling, police brutality and the militarization of local authorities. The death of Michael Brown and actions by the Ferguson Police Department is a distressing symptom of the untested and overaggressive policing culture that has become commonplace in communities of color all across the country. We will remain steadfast in our fight to pass the End Racial Profiling federal legislation. And we stand in solidarity with peaceful protesters and uphold that their civil rights not be violated as both demonstrators and authorities observe the "rules of engagement." The grand jury's decision does not mean a crime was not committed in Ferguson, Missouri, nor does it mean we are done fighting for Michael Brown, Jr. At this difficult hour, we commend the courage and commitment of Michael Brown's family, as well as local and national coalition partners.

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