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**COMMISSIONER BOYKIN CALLS OFFERS CONDOLENCES TO FAMILY OF
FALLEN POLICE OFFICER**

“At 2 pm on Tuesday, Chicago Police Commander Paul Bauer was shot and killed at the Thompson Center in the Loop.

This shooting is such a tragedy. No one should ever be shot and killed. But this happened at a major government building located in the central business district of one of the largest cities in the country in the middle of the afternoon. That is unbelievable.

The gun violence plaguing so many areas of our city has continued its spread. We must work immediately to fight this crisis.

Last week, the County Board passed a resolution I sponsored declaring the gun violence in Chicago a public health emergency. All levels of government must act swiftly to defeat this problem. I know that this resolution will assist in that effort.

I offer my sincerest condolences to the family of Commander Bauer. Police officers across Cook County work every day ready to protect and serve us, and it is awful that Commander Bauer had to make the ultimate sacrifice today.”

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