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JOINT STATEMENT FROM
CUMBERLAND COUNTY PROSECUTOR JENNIFER WEBB-MCRAE AND
BRIDGETON POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF MICHAEL GAIMARI

As we approach the two-year anniversary of the disappearance of Dulce Maria Alavez, law enforcement continues to pursue all leads in its quest to locate Dulce. The Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office, Bridgeton Police Department, New Jersey State Police, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Homeland Security (ICE) and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), are still working cooperatively to determine those who are responsible for Dulce's disappearance.

Since two years have passed since Dulce went missing and Dulce would be seven (7) years of age at this time, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) worked with the Dulce Alavez investigative team to produce the attached age-progression image. This

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image is a depiction of what Dulce may appear like today. We thank NCMEC for their time and cooperation in completing the attached rendering.

We hold out hope that Dulce is alive (as we have no evidence of her demise) and want the public to know that this case will remain open until such time as we locate Dulce and determine those responsible for her disappearance.

We encourage our community partners to assist law enforcement by providing any information that they feel may be helpful. Information can be provided anonymously to the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office by visiting www.ccpo.tips or via the Bridgeton Police Department at www.bpd.tips as well.

