

PRESS RELEASE

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The school department, police department and Mayor Bettencourt are committed to working together to support one another and unite our community. Recently, individuals in our community have been discussing the location of a memorial display at PVMHS. There is a great deal of misinformation regarding the status of this situation. This memorial display has not been moved and will not be moved until further discussion occurs.

Our goal is to bring the community together and engage in a collaborative process that includes the perspectives of all stakeholders. The school department, police department and Mayor Bettencourt continue to engage in an open dialogue.

The school department believed that we had reached a satisfactory resolution last week through a collaborative process at PVMHS, with all parties involved, in terms of the location of the memorial. However, given the discussions in the community, we understand that concerns remain. As a result, the School Committee will take up this matter at their next scheduled meeting on November 24th. We encourage members of the community to share their thoughts with the Committee as we work towards a positive outcome.

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