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## For Immediate Release

Reference: An update to the officer involved shooting from January 31.

On Friday, 01/31/2025 just before 2:00pm, Tarrant County Mental Health Warrant Deputies attempted to serve a Mental Health Warrant on Christopher Loyo. Loyo was arrested a week prior for an Aggravated Assault with Deadly Weapon charge. He bonded out of Tarrant County Jail and returned to his residence on Twin Oaks Dr. in Haltom City. Due to recent erratic behavior, a Mental Health Warrant had been issued for Loyo. During the serving of the warrant, Loyo assaulted a TCSO Deputy with a knife, stabbing the deputy in the head and causing a severe laceration to his hand. Deputies on scene discharged their firearms to stop Loyo, ultimately saving the life of the deputy. The deputy was transported to a local hospital and is recovering from his injuries.

Mental Health Warrant Deputies recognize the dangers in serving these type of warrants. Last year, TCSO Deputies served 427 Mental Health Warrants and transported those taken into custody to mental health facilities.

Haltom City Police Department and Watauga Police Department assisted with securing the scene. As is protocol, the deputies involved have been placed on Administrative Leave and the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office requested the Texas Ranger's respond and take the lead in the investigation. That request was granted and all additional case information will need to be requested through the Texas Department of Public Safety.

