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## Candlelight Vigil to mark 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of J.D. Tippit Line of Duty Death

The Dallas Police Department and Dallas Police Association will hold a candlelight vigil on Friday, November 22, at 6:00 p.m. at the intersection of  $10^{\text{th}}$  and Patton Streets in Oak Cliff.

This is the site where Dallas Police Officer J.D. Tippit was slain on November 22, 1963.

Officer Tippit's widow, Marie Tippit, will attend the memorial and will provide brief remarks. Dallas Police Chief David O. Brown will also speak during the program.

Tippit was patrolling Oak Cliff during the hour following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy when he was killed by Lee Harvey Oswald. Tippit saw Oswald walking down Tenth Street and slowed down his patrol car to ask him a question. Witnesses say Oswald shot Tippit four times. Oswald was later arrested in the Texas Theatre a few blocks away.

The ceremony will include the Dallas Police Department Honor Guard, the Dallas Police Department Choir, and other Honor Guards from across the state.

For more information about this program, please contact Ron Pinkston at 214-747-6839.

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