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Deputy wounded, suspect killed in Ravenel shooting

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Sunday, May 7, 2023

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – A Charleston County Sheriff's Office deputy was released from the hospital Sunday night after being shot during a traffic stop earlier in the day.

Deputy Evan Cabbage was hit three times during an exchange of gunfire with the suspect, who was killed. The State Law Enforcement Division is investigating the shooting. A second deputy involved in the shooting was not injured.

"This traffic stop highlights the danger that our deputies face day in and day out," Sheriff Kristin Graziano said. "They have to put themselves in harm's way. We are very fortunate that these two deputies survived this incident."

Deputy Cabbage conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle shortly before 3:45 p.m. at 4915 Savannah Highway near Ravenel. The second deputy arrived a short time later to provide backup.

During the encounter, the passenger of the vehicle opened fire on the deputies, and Cabbage was struck. The deputies returned fire, hitting the man, who died at the scene. The Charleston County Coroner's Office will identify the man when appropriate.

The female driver of the vehicle was detained.

Deputy Cabbage was transported to MUSC for treatment of serious but non-life-threatening injuries. Fellow deputies and CCSO command staff were on hand to show support when he was released from the hospital about 9 p.m. Cabbage has been with CCSO since August 2020.

Per protocol, the deputies involved in the shooting are on paid administrative leave. CCSO also conducts an internal investigation into all shootings involving its deputies.

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Northbound Savannah Highway was expected to be closed for the rest of the day while southbound lanes remained open.

CCSO thanks the many surrounding agencies who responded to assist during the incident and to show support for the deputies.

UPDATE Monday May 8, 2023

Deputy Alexander Hodge, who was hired in December 2018, was the second deputy involved in the shooting. Photos of both deputies are below.



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UPDATE Friday, May 12, 2023

The Charleston County Sheriff's Office is releasing in-car video of Sunday's deputy-involved shooting. The footage is from Deputy Cubbage's patrol car. Deputy Hodge's dashcam did not capture the shooting.

Deputy Cubbage was hit three times by gunfire. He and Deputy Hodge returned fire, killing the suspect.

Sheriff Kristin Graziano said: "This video is difficult to watch. I am angered by the violence directed at those who lay their lives on the line daily to protect our citizens. The deputies' advanced training prevented us from having to bury one of our own. They acted appropriately and professionally under fire from a convicted felon who was illegally carrying a firearm. I am so thankful that these deputies were able to return home to their families. We are thankful for the community's support."

*****The footage contains explicit language and is graphic. The link below contains an unedited version and a version with blur added. Please use discretion.*****

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1pRAs7kU7cohzB2Sap-iajTHpQ8v43B88?usp=sharing>

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