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WE CAN'T BREATHE

SPARE ME WITH THE TRITE AND PREDICTABLE (OR CLEVER) EXCUSES WHY ANOTHER BLACK LIFE HAS BEEN SNUFFED OUT ONCE THE POLICE SHOWED UP IN OUR COMMUNITY. THIS HORROR MOVIE HAS GOTTEN OLD AND THE SCRIPT NEEDS TO CHANGE IN A HURRY. TO KEEP ON SAYING THAT IT'S JUST A FEW BAD APPLES, THAT IT'S A LACK OF SENSITIVITY TRAINING, THAT RACE DIDN'T PLAY ANY ROLE IN THE ACTIONS OF THE POLICE, IS INSULTING TO EVERY HONEST INDIVIDUAL OF AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE WHO IS CONCERNED ABOUT HUMAN LIFE BEING RESPECTED, AND RIGHT PREVAILING OVER WRONG. THE ROUTINE EXCUSES WE HEAR ALL COMPLETELY IGNORE THE HISTORICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND THE POLICE. A RELATIONSHIP ROOTED IN THE FOUNDATION OF U.S. SLAVERY, SLAVE CATCHERS, OVERSEERS, TIM CROW AND THE BLACK CODES ERA, PLUS THE "WAR ON DRUGS" WHICH IS MERELY AN EUPHEMISM FOR "WAR ON BLACK PEOPLE AND THE BLACK COMMUNITIES".

THE ALTON STERLING EXECUTION-STYLE MURDER SHOULD UPSET AND SADDEN EVERY PERSON IN THE UNITED STATES AND ABROAD WHO CARES ONE IOTA ABOUT JUSTICE OR HUMAN RIGHTS. IT'S ANOTHER

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CONSCIENCE-AWAKENING EXAMPLE OF THE PRESUMPTUOUS, RACIST, EGOTISTIC MENTALITY THAT'S TAKEN OVER AMERICA'S MILITARIZED POLICE FORCES; WITH AN EVER INCREASING BLACK BODYCOUNT TO PLACE IN THEIR STAT BOOKS AND TROPHY CASES.

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old AIYANNA STANLEY JONES shouldn't be dead. Walter Scott shouldn't be dead. TAMIR RICE shouldn't be dead. Keith Lamont Scott shouldn't be dead. Michael Brown shouldn't be dead. TERRENCE CRUTCHER shouldn't be dead. WAKIESHA WILSON shouldn't be dead. Philando Castille shouldn't be dead. Ezele Ford shouldn't be dead. OSCAR GRANT shouldn't be dead. TIMMY JONES shouldn't be dead. JOHN CRAWFORD shouldn't be dead. And this is just the beginning of the short list. What does the reality teach us? That Black lives still don't matter. That police brutality, police leeway in the use of excessive or lethal force, police containment, and impunity from the likelihood of facing criminal punishment ~~are~~ proximately caused or contributed to the crisis of deadly police encounters.

How is a ~~MAN~~ ^{UNARMED} that is prone on the pavement with two policemen on top of him, one with a forearm on ~~the~~ head, still a deadly threat? How is a man with empty hands held above his head, still a deadly threat? How is a ^{UNARMED} man running away from the police, still a deadly threat justifying him being shot in the back and killed? You don't have to be black to understand the obvious fear & those inside my community feel whenever the police show up. Police

3) And policing strategies, tactics, and policies have never been designed or intended to protect and serve black people and our communities! The police and all they do, is for the benefit of serving and protecting the folks on the other side of the railroad tracks, and their political and economic systems - capitalism and colonialism - that keeps them in power. It's a historical reality of our relationship to this country since slavery days. In order for Black Lives to matter, capitalism and colonialism must die. This is the only real solution to the problem. Not the old call for "special prosecutors" or "renewed grand jury systems", or U.S. Justice Department investigations. Nothing but the death of the systems that perpetuate our suffering and misery will bring the Black communities the peace and justice we desire and deserve. Peace and justice for the Black communities will bring about the same for other oppressed communities inside this nation.

I call on everyone who reads this post to join in the struggle to stop what we see occurring daily when citizens encounter the armed forces occupying our communities under the false pretense of being there "to serve and protect." Now is the time because tomorrow may be too late to protect your loved ones or yourself from a total takeover with the police in your area.

Quote of The Day

Necessity is the plea for every
infringement of human freedom.
It is the argument of tyrants;
it is the creed of slaves.

- William Pitt the Younger

Sandra Bland: Another

victim of America's emerging Police State.
And it's lynch mob mentality and tactics.

TEXAS BRIEFS

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FBI ordered to give Bland family report

HOUSTON — A judge has ordered the FBI to allow Sandra Bland's family to review a report of the Texas Rangers' investigation into her in-custody death.

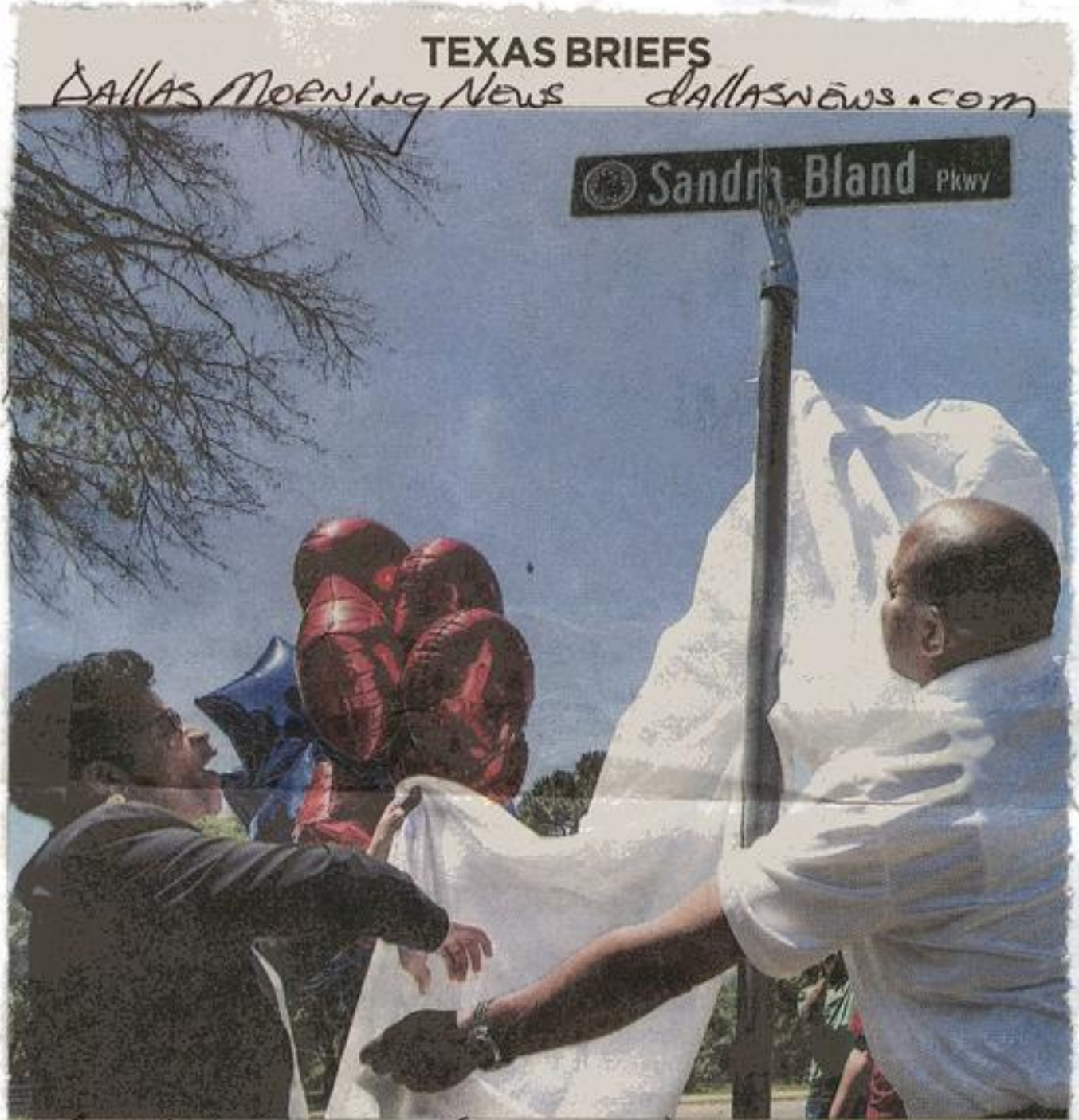
U.S. District Judge David Hittner's order Thursday is part of a wrongful death lawsuit filed in Houston by Bland's family against Brian Encinia, the ex-Texas trooper who arrested her during a traffic stop, and others in-

involved in her detention.

The FBI had initially declined to turn over the report, contending it was protected under law enforcement privilege.

Bland was a black woman who died last summer in the Waller County jail three days after being arrested. Authorities ruled her death a suicide. Encinia was charged with perjury after dash-cam video appeared to show him yelling at Bland and escalating their confrontation.

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Sandra Bland's mother, Geneva Reed-Veal, unveiled a Sandra Bland Parkway sign during a ceremony Friday in Prairie View. Formerly called University Drive, the street leading to Prairie View A&M is where Bland was arrested last July.

Prairie View street is renamed for Bland

PRAIRIE VIEW — Signs are up officially renaming the street leading to Prairie View A&M University after Sandra Bland, the university graduate whose death in the Waller County jail last summer added to the national debate about treatment of minorities by law enforcement.

The University Drive signs were replaced with Sandra Bland Parkway signs in ceremonies Friday attended by about 100 activists, students and Bland's relatives.



SANDRA BLAND

The 28-year-old Bland, from near Chicago, was pulled over last July by a state trooper for making an improper lane change. When the traffic stop became contentious, she was arrested and jailed. She died three days later. Her death has been ruled a suicide.

The trooper who arrested her has been fired and is charged with misdemeanor perjury related to her case.

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