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**MAYOR ADAMS' STATEMENT ON SUSPECT IN OFFICER SHOOTING BEING  
RELEASED ON BOND**

**NEW YORK** – New York City Mayor Eric Adams today released the following statement after the suspect in last week's shooting of Police Officer Kaseem Pennan in the Bronx was released on bond:

*"New Yorkers should all be outraged that a repeat offender, accused of shooting at a police officer, is today walking free on bond because judges are precluded from even considering danger to the community, like every other state and our federal courts. It is further proof that our current system is failing us. Today of all days, with the city in mourning over the deaths of Detective First-Grade Jason Rivera and Police Officer Wilbert Mora, we all must come together and agree that changes are needed. We cannot allow those who carry guns to walk free – we can pursue safety and justice at the same time, and we must, for the safety of all of us."*

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