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Berks County Statement on the Attempted Assassination of Former President Trump

Reading, PA— **07/14/2024** — The Berks County Board of Commissioners offers our deepest sympathies and prayers for former President Trump, the families of the deceased, and critically injured attendees. Whatever the motivations of the shooter, we abhor and denounce violence, political or otherwise.

We are grateful that President Trump's injuries appear to be minor and commend the men and women of the Secret Service for their quick response. Let us remain composed as a society and stand united in support of federal law enforcement officials as they conduct a thorough investigation.

As Berks Countians and as Americans, we believe in the political process. We, as a country, do not need to hold the same beliefs save one – we all must believe that our pluralistic society can faithfully coexist. We hope, as President Lincoln once did, that the nation will appeal to the better angels of our nature during this challenging time.

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