STOP THE PEDIE PEREZ KILLING COVER-UP!

SPEAK OUT AT RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Gather: 6:30pm, Tuesday 1/19/16
Richmond City Hall steps, 450 Civic Center Plaza
Our goal: a mass speak-out during the public comment period

Pedie Perez, 24, was shot dead by Richmond Police Officer Wallace Jensen on September 14, 2014. As usual, the cop said that Pedie had tried to take his gun, and he feared for his life. The DA said that the killing was "justifiable." Jensen is still on the streets. But three witnesses and the store video show that Jensen had backed up five or six feet with his gun still holstered and then shot Pedie.

Citizen activists fighting for justice for Pedie Perez have brought his case to the attention of Richmond City Council and stirred up debate and controversy with their demand for an independent investigation of the Perez killing.

Police Chief Magnus, DA Mark Peterson, and Mayor Tom Butt have all tried to cover it up. They are blocking an independent investigation; Magnus cites the so-called "Policemen's Bill of Rights as an excuse.

Over fifteen months after Pedie's killing, justice is still denied. The city, using an undemocratic technicality, blocked an independent investigation proposed by a majority of the Richmond Police Commission, denying justice to the Perez family.

We believe that an independent investigation will confirm that Pedie was unarmed, never posed any serious threat to Officer Jensen, and (as three witnesses agree) had his hands in the air – a clear act of surrender – and pleaded "Don't shoot me!" when Jensen fired. No witnesses confirm Jensen's story that Pedie was going for his gun as Pedie resisted handcuffing for being intoxicated.

The liquor store video also shows that Jensen had total control over his gun when he shot Pedie in the chest three times, killing him. This is **an unjustified killing**.

This is a crucial juncture in the struggle against trigger-happy cops, a struggle that has been spreading across the nation.

Join us! Speak out locally in Richmond on this national issue!

"An Injury to One Is An Injury to All"

The Oscar Grant Committee was born from the struggle for justice for Oscar Grant, murdered by BART police on Jan 1, 2009. We organize working class resistance in support of families whose loved ones were murdered by police.

Join us, our meetings are at 7:00 PM on the First Tuesday of every month at the Niebyl-Proctor Marxist Library, 6501 Telegraph Avenue in North Oakland

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"Without Struggle There Is No Justice."