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## **IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE:**

From: Mrs. Tatahda Ferguson

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Subject: Darnell SuperChef Ferguson

After having time to reflect, I feel obligated to speak out regarding the matter between myself and my husband, Darnell SuperChef Ferguson.

I completely regret the domestic incident that transpired on January 2, 2024. Darnell and I have had our issues and we made every effort not to let it impact our family and loved ones, particularly our children. I reacted in the heat of the moment after we had an intense argument, and called the police for a matter that really didn't warrant their involvement.

I believe my words were twisted by certain law enforcement officials who are looking to make a name for themselves at the expense of my husband's celebrity status. Darnell is a good man! I have never felt unsafe or threatened by him and he has always been an incredible father to our children. It hurts my heart the way he's being vilified. I am coming forward to try and do what's right to clear his name and help our family heal.

It's important that everyone knows no burglary or trespassing occurred period. We were at a point where, despite our struggles, we became comfortable having either party visit the other at our separate living quarters. I was also never in any physical danger. The only time that Darnell put his hands on me was to push me away from him. There was no attempt at strangulation or any kind of assault by Darnell. I would have spoken sooner but the officers and legal system manipulated the situation. I never had any authentic guidance or representation during this process and I'm seeing now that there is a different agenda aside from my safety and well-being.

I also never wanted to take an EPO against Darnell, but the detective made me. I have since decided not to move forward with the Domestic Violence Order. I also never asked to go to the hospital, but again, the police insisted I go and actually drove myself there. I didn't know my rights and was just going along with what they told me to do.

I ask that we please put this matter to rest for the well-being of my children and family. Darnell is a good man with a great heart and didn't deserve for any of this to happen.