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**The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission responds to the shooting of
Kriston Charles Belinte Chee.**

ST. MICHAELS, NAVAJO NATION- The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission office extends its sympathy and condolences to the family of Kriston Charles Belinte Chee, the Navajo man shot at Chandler, AZ Wal-Mart on Sunday, February 16, 2014.

The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission office learned of Kriston Chee's death and Quadlin's claim of self defense. While NNHRC office does not know the facts to the case or seen the Wal-Mart's security videos of the argument between the two individuals, Leonard Gorman, NNHRC Executive Director states "claim of self defense are very subjective. Based on the recent Florida cases (Zimmerman and Dunn), it is clear that no duty to retreat is confusing and require substantial investigation." Gorman further stated "It's disappointing to learn that Mr. Chee's family is left with the notion that his death is okay, no crime committed." The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission is at dismayed by the quick ruling and acceptance of self defense. When a person's life is taken the remaining family members deserve a full investigation.

Maricopa County is currently investigating this case to determine if charges should be filed against Quadlin. The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission will be following the outcome and results of the investigation.

If you have any questions in regards to this contact the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission office at 928.871.7436.

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