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Eternal Vigilance Action Commends GBI Cold Case Unit on Arrest in the Murder of Tara Louise Baker

Atlanta, **Georgia** — Eternal Vigilance Action, in collaboration with Georgia Bureau and Investigation, Georgia Sheriffs Association, Prosecuting Attorneys Council, Georgia Police Chiefs Association, and Georgia Defense Attorneys Council stewarded HB 88 through the 2023 legislative session with Rep. Houston Gaines of Athens and Sen. Randy Robertson of Columbus. Today, the Cold Case Unit announced the arrest of an Athens man in the murder investigation of Tara Louise Baker after 23 years. In September of 2023, the GBI Cold Case Unit partnered with Athens/Clarke County Police Department to conduct an in-depth review and analysis into Tara Baker's death.

"We praise the awesome work and dedication of the GBI Cold Case Unit in finally giving Tara Baker's family the peace and justice they have been seeking since 2001. This is exactly how HB 88 is structured to work and I am grateful for the result." Scot Turner, Executive Director of Eternal Vigilance Action.

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