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Johnnie Anderson came to City Hall Monday to protest an arbitrator's decision to reinstate the employment of a Portland police officer who shot Aaron Campbell, an unarmed African American man in 2010. Her picket sign also spoke out against other acts of deadly violence in the community.

Killer Cop Wins Back Job

Activists outraged by officer's reinstatement

Members of the Albina Ministerial Alliance and other activists expressed outrage Monday over a decision by a state arbitrator to reinstate a Portland police officer who killed an unarmed African American man in 2010.

Rev. LeRoy Haynes, chair of the alliance's Coalition for Justice and Police Reform, urged a federal review of the state arbitration system because of its long history of ruling in the favor of Portland police.

He said Friday's arbitration ruling says that those who are elected cannot hold police officers in this city accountable.

"It says any police officer can do what they want to do," Haynes said. It means we cannot trust our police department."

A police union challenge of Officer Ronald Frashour's termination largely rested on the testimony of police training instructors who said Frashour followed his training when he used deadly force against the 25-year-old Campbell on Jan. 29, 2010.

Campbell was distraught over his brother's death when he emerged

from a Northeast Sandy Boulevard apartment, with his back toward officers and his hands behind his head. One officer fired six bean bag rounds at the man. Campbell ran toward a parked car. Frashour fired a single rifle shot, killing Campbell.

At Monday's protest, more than a hundred people stood around the steps of City Hall to hear speeches against the arbitrator's decision.

Midge Purcell, director of advocacy for the Urban League of Portland, said as a mother she was concerned about her children's encounters with police.

The Rev. T. Allen Bethel, president of the Albina Ministerial Alliance, said it was time for Frashour to leave the police bureau. He asked the president of the police union to look into his heart and quit defending police officers who shoot unarmed black residents.

State Rep. Lew Frederick, representing north and northeast Portland, and former state Rep. Jo Ann Hardesty, also of Portland's Afri-

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Budget Axe Points to Humboldt, Tubman

Proposal closes schools, cuts teachers district wide

Two historic schools serving minority and economically disadvantaged populations would be closed, and 110 teaching jobs would be eliminated district wide, as part as a proposed budget by Portland School Superintendent Carole Smith.

Smith announced Monday that Humboldt Elementary School, 4915 N. Gantenbein Ave., and the Harriet Tubman Leadership Academy for Young Women,

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Humboldt Elementary School, 4915 N. Gantenbein Ave., would close and students transferred to Boise-Eliot School, as part of a school district budget proposal for next year.

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