**The Baalu Girma Foundation believes there is no clear evidence to date that explains what happened to Baalu after his abduction.  There is much speculation about what may have occurred - but there is no credible information that is vetted in a court of law to satisfactorily account for Baalu's final days.**

 **The foundation appreciates his fans and their interest in Baalu Girma as an author, journalist, and as public figure.  Beyond his public persona, Baalu was a devoted family man with a lot of insight; but he rarely wrote about himself directly.  We encourage his readers to discover Baalu through his own writing and to carefully consider the source about any information surrounding his public or personal life.

The Baalu Girma foundation remains focused on supporting and advancing the values Baalu held dear:  love for country, commitment to excellence in journalism, fairness, and deep appreciation for creative writing.

Thank you for helping us continue his legacy**