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UPDATED

Early Morning Discovery Is City of Berkeley's First Murder of the Year

Berkeley, California (Sunday, May 6, 2007) - On May 6, 2007 at approximately 6:30 am, an employee of a Berkeley business called the Berkeley Police Department (BPD) regarding a man lying in the roadway in the area of Second and Cedar Streets. The intersection of Second and Cedar Streets is located in an industrial section of northwest Berkeley. BPD patrol officers found a victim who appears to be a Latino male adult, unresponsive at the scene. Berkeley Fire Department (BFD) paramedics pronounced the victim dead shortly after their arrival.

Members of the BPD Homicide Detail are investigating the matter as a homicide. Detectives are concerned about any compromise to the early stages of this investigation; therefore they prefer not to offer information as to the nature of the victim's injuries. Pending an autopsy by the Alameda County Coroner's Office, the cause of death in addition to the identity of the victim will not be available. BPD will offer further details as the investigation progresses. This is the City of Berkeley's first murder of 2007. In the year 2006, the City of Berkeley had four (4) homicides.

Detectives are asking for the community's help with this investigation. Anyone who may have any information regarding this crime is urged to call the BPD Homicide Detail at (510) 981-5741 (office) or (510) 981-5900. (non-emergency dispatch line)

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