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## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## **HOMICIDE**

## **Update (1/23/2012):**

Based upon the investigation, detectives from the Fort Lauderdale Police Department have obtained an arrest warrant for Burnie Reed. Reed is being charged with one count of murder and one count of attempted murder.

The victims have been identified as Bianca McNair, B/F, 11/3/90, and Chutney McNair, B/F, 9/30/92, both are Fort Lauderdale residents. Detectives have learned that Chutney is Reed's ex-girlfriend and is pregnant with his child. Investigators have also learned that Bianca was Chutney's older sister.

Detectives believe that at approximately 11:05 P.M., on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012, a violent altercation broke out in the street between Chutney and Reed. Believing her younger sister was in grave danger, Bianca ran out to the street in hopes of intervening. Reed then turned his attention from Chutney and focused his aggression on Bianca. Seething with rage, Reed brandished a firearm and shot Bianca in the head from a short distance away.

After seeing her older sister get shot, Chutney frantically tried to flee from Reed's homicidal fury. Fearing Chutney may escape, Reed chased her down and shot her in the head, completely disregarding the fact that she was carrying his unborn child. Reed then fled the scene prior to police arrival.

Bianca was pronounced deceased at Broward General Medical Center and Chutney was treated for her injuries.

Detectives have recently been informed that Reed has threatened to kill Chutney and her family, now that she has been released from the hospital.

Detectives consider Reed armed and extremely dangerous. Detectives are actively pursuing all leads as to his whereabouts.

Investigators are urging anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Reed to immediately contact Detective Jack DiCristofalo at 954-828-6096, Detective Mark Breen at 954-828-5708, or their local law enforcement agency.

## **Original (1/22/2012):**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a shooting that occurred in the 1100 block of Northwest 11<sup>th</sup> Street on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012, at approximately 11:05 P.M. in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a violent domestic disturbance erupted in the 1100 block of Northwest 11<sup>th</sup> Street at approximately 11:05 P.M., on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. During the disturbance, a male brandished a firearm and shot two females. Both victims were then transported to Broward General Medical Center by Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue.

One of the victims was pronounced deceased at the hospital and the other is listed in stable condition.

Detectives have identified a possible suspect in the shooting as Burnie Reed, B/M, 5/7/92, a Fort Lauderdale resident. Detectives consider Reed armed and dangerous.

This is still an active and ongoing investigation. Investigators are urging anyone with further information regarding the homicide or the whereabouts of Reed to contact Detective Jack DiCristofalo at 954-828-6096, Detective Mark Breen at 954-828-5708, or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

Burnie Reed 5/7/92 ###