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PRESS RELEASE

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**TRAFFIC CRASH WITH  
SERIOUS BODILY INJURY**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a traffic crash that occurred in the 1500 block of Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue at approximately 2:11 A.M., on January 23rd, 2012. The crash involved a 2012 black Honda Civic striking two pedestrians walking eastbound mid-block across the 1500 block of Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a 2012 black Honda Civic struck two pedestrians as the vehicle was traveling northbound in the 1500 block of Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The pedestrians were crossing eastbound across the 1500 block of Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and were not in a crosswalk, nor at an intersection. One of the pedestrians was struck by the front end of the Honda Civic and the other pedestrian was struck by the driver's side mirror of the vehicle. Both pedestrians were transported to Broward General Medical Center.

The driver of the Honda Civic did not stop to render aid and continued northbound on Northeast 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue before police could arrive on scene. The vehicle was followed by a witness and was eventually stopped by the Wilton Manors Police Department.

The driver of the vehicle has been identified as Corinne Johnson, W/F, 2/17/89, a resident of Texas. Johnson was arrested on scene and charged with careless driving and leaving the scene of an accident with serious bodily injury. Also, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers conducted a DUI investigation on scene, in which the results are still under investigation.

The pedestrian who was struck by the front end of the Honda Civic sustained life threatening injuries and is listed in critical condition at the Broward General Medical Center. The other pedestrian sustained minor injuries and has since been released from the hospital.

The pedestrian listed in critical condition has been identified as Benjamin Chamberlain, W/M, 9/30/71, a Fort Lauderdale resident. Investigators are urging anyone with further information to contact Investigator Cheri Creque at 954-828-5825.

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