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## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## MAN ARRESTED FOR FATAL HIT AND RUN

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a fatal hit and run traffic crash that occurred on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at approximately 7:27 P.M. The crash occurred in the intersection of Southwest 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Southwest 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Investigators have learned that a 2000 gray Saturn was traveling southbound on Southwest 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue approaching the intersection of Southwest 10<sup>th</sup> Street. At the same time, a cyclist was riding southbound on Southwest 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue approaching the same intersection. The vehicle struck the back of the bicycle causing the cyclist to be thrown off of the bicycle and up into a nearby residential yard.

The cyclist was transported to Broward Health Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries.

The cyclist has been identified as Timothy Brobeck, W/M, 05/31/68, a City of Fort Lauderdale resident.

When the driver of the Saturn fled from the scene, a witness followed him to a park in the 1500 block of Southwest 24<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of Fort Lauderdale. The witness notified police of the incident and provided a description of both the suspect and his vehicle.

Investigators subsequently located and recovered the suspect's abandoned vehicle.

The driver involved in this fatal crash has been identified as Jonathan Fredrick Ellis, W/M, 06/29/81, a City of Fort Lauderdale resident.

On September 10<sup>th</sup> at approximately 11:45P.M., Ellis was taken into custody and charged with one count of leaving the scene of an accident involving a death.

Anyone with information regarding this fatal hit and run should contact Traffic Homicide Investigator Jill Hirsch at 954-828-5753 or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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