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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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TRAFFIC FATALITY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a traffic fatality that occurred at approximately 6:56 A.M. on Friday, November 14th. The fatality occurred on the CSX railroad tracks in the 500 block of Cypress Creek Road in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a 2002 Mazda sedan was traveling eastbound on Cypress Creek Road when the driver failed to decrease his speed and stop for the railroad crossing gates. The vehicle impacted the crossing gates, which were in the downward position, and entered the path of the train. The front driver side of the vehicle was struck by the southbound Tri-Rail Locomotive and Passenger Cabs train.

The driver has been identified as Jay Michael Manzo, W/M, 03/27/79, a resident of the City of North Lauderdale. Manzo was pronounced deceased at the scene.

This is an active and on-going investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this fatal crash should contact Investigator Jonathan Graham at 954-828-5125.

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