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## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## FIRE CAUSES SERIOUS INJURIES

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department, in conjunction with the Fort Lauderdale Fire Marshal is investigating a fire incident which caused serious injuries that occurred on Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at approximately 11:45 A.M. The fire occurred at 2731 Northwest 19<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that an independent photographer was taking photos of a model. It appears that the photographer used a vehicle that was inoperable and candles as the backdrop for the photo shoot.

It is believed that during the photo shoot the gas fumes ignited, causing severe burns to the photographer and one other individual on scene. Both victims were transported to Broward Health Medical Center. Detectives are not identifying the adult victims at this time.

This is an active investigation. No further information is available for release at this time.

Anyone who may have information in regards to this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Mark Breen at 954-828-5708 or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-8477 (TIPS)

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