FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT **NEWS RELEASE**

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SHOOTING HOMICIDE

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating the homicide of an adult male that occurred at approximately 1:34 p.m. on Monday, August 9th. The incident occurred at 751 Northwest 22nd Road in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

A Shotspotter Alert notified patrol officers of shots fired in the 700 block of Northwest 22nd Road. Officers quickly responded to the area locating an adult male with injuries from the shooting. Preliminary investigation has revealed the victim was sitting in his car when he was approached by the suspect. The suspect then brandished a gun and shot the victim multiple times.

The victim was transported to Broward Health Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries. He has been identified as Vincent Valentine, B/M, DOB 12/08/1999, a resident of the city of Fort Lauderdale.

Detectives identified the suspect as Michael Watts, B/M, DOB 06/04/2001, a resident of the city of Fort Lauderdale. Watts was taken into custody in Palm Beach County on Tuesday, August 10th. He is being charged with murder.

Anyone who witnessed the shooting or who has information regarding the incident is encouraged to contact Detective Sergeant S. Novak at 954-828-5556, Detective J. Saint-Jean at 954-828-5570, or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).



(Photo of victim, Vincent Valentine)
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