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La Habra Police Department Press Release

Fatal Traffic Collision Update

La Habra, CA – February 12, 2019: On Sunday, February 10, 2019, at approximately 7:09 p.m., La Habra Police Officers and Los Angeles County Fire Department, were dispatched to the intersection of Lambert Road and Idaho Street to a report of an injury traffic collision.

The collision occurred when a vehicle traveling eastbound on Lambert Road, collided with a vehicle traveling northbound on Idaho Street. The collision caused a chain reaction, with an additional four vehicles involved in the collision, for a total of six vehicles. The driver of the northbound vehicle was pronounced dead at the scene and is identified as Jeanine Salisbury (49 years old) from Anaheim. Only minor injuries were reported by the other individuals involved in the collision, but additional medical attention was refused. One driver was transported to a local trauma center with non-life threatening injuries as a result of the collision.

On Tuesday, February 12, 2019, La Habra Police Officers arrested Jovani Gomes, (25 years old) of Los Angeles, on suspicion of driving while impaired and homicide. Gomes was the driver that was transported to the local trauma center at the time of the collision. Gomes was arrested upon his release from the hospital, reference this collision. The investigation is ongoing and it is believed that drugs and alcohol were a factor in the collision.

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