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MEDIA RELEASE

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Beverly Hills Police Arrest Homicide Suspect

Beverly Hills, Calif. – The Beverly Hills Police Department has made an arrest in the December 1 homicide of Jacqueline Avant. The suspect under arrest is 29 year old Ariel Maynor of Los Angeles.

Multiple surveillance videos, including City cameras, showed the suspect’s vehicle heading eastbound out of Beverly Hills shortly after Mrs. Avant was shot early Wednesday morning.

At 3:30 a.m., LAPD Hollywood division responded to a reported shooting at a residence in the 6000 block of Graciosa Drive. When they arrived, they found a male in the backyard suffering from a gunshot wound to his foot. Following a thorough investigation by LAPD, it was determined that a burglary occurred at that residence, and the suspect had accidentally shot himself in the foot. He was subsequently arrested by LAPD and transported to a local hospital and has been in law enforcement custody since.

Beverly Hills detectives responded to Hollywood division and collected evidence connecting Maynor to the homicide of Jacqueline Avant in our City, including the suspected weapon. Beverly Hills detectives have assumed investigative responsibility for both cases. The investigation leads us to believe there is no further threat to public safety. The evidence thus far shows that only one suspect was involved in the crime and the motive remains under investigation.

“To the Beverly Hills Community, let me reassure you, this is one of the most protected and patrolled cities in the world. Crime of any kind will not be tolerated here. Let this be a message to anyone thinking of committing a crime in Beverly Hills – you will be caught and brought to justice,” Chief Mark Stainbrook said.

Arrested:

Maynor, Ariel, 29-year-old black male of Los Angeles, California. Date of birth: 02/01/1992. Maynor will be booked into jail when medically cleared by doctors.

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