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AUTOPSY SHOWS MURDER SUSPECT DIED OF SELF INFLICTED GUNSHOT WOUND

(San Diego) On July 18th at 6:50 a.m., officers received a radio call directing them to 644 25th Street in Sherman Heights to check the welfare of the male residing at that address. Family members told officers that the resident had recently received death threats from a former son-in-law. When family members were not able to make contact with the resident, they called for police. Officers entered the residence and found Mr. Sergio Munoz (85 yrs) deceased inside the small apartment. The victim had several facial injuries indicating that he had been attacked. The type of weapon(s) used is not known at this time.

The suspect, identified as Miguel Gonzalez (58 years) was located a short time after the murder at his residence in a College West neighborhood. When officers attempted to contact Gonzalez, he armed himself with a semi-automatic handgun and fired a single shot. An officer, fearing for his safety and the safety of others, fired his service weapon at the Gonzalez. Officers approached the suspect and confirmed that he had been shot. Life saving measures were attempted, however the Gonzalez died at the scene.

An autopsy performed yesterday has confirmed that Gonzalez died as a result of a self inflicted gunshot wound. The two rounds fired by the police officer did not strike Miguel Gonzalez.

The autopsy performed on Mr. Sergio Munoz has revealed that the victim died as a result of blunt force trauma the head.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to telephone the Homicide Unit at 619 531-2293.

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