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16-YEAR-OLD MURDER VICTIM IDENTIFIED

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are releasing the name of the young woman who died as a result of gunfire early Sunday morning at 701 South 42nd Street.

At 2:40 a.m., police officers received a radio call of a shooting at the above address. When they arrived with paramedics, they found the female victim suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. She did not survive the injuries and was pronounced dead at the scene at 2:59 a.m.

The murder victim has been identified as 16-year-old Hannah Podhorsky. She was a resident of National City and a student at Mission Bay High School. An autopsy will be performed this afternoon to confirm the cause and manner of her death.

Homicide detectives continue to investigate the circumstances which preceded the shooting. The motivation for the attack and specific suspect information remains unknown at this point. Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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