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NEWS RELEASE

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Beverly Hills Police Detectives Continues Death Investigation Of Whitney Houston

The Beverly Hills Police Department continues to investigate the untimely death of singer/entertainer Whitney Houston. At this time there has been no determination by the Police Department or the L.A. County Coroner's office as to the official cause of death.

As can be expected in a high profile incident such as this there have been many rumors circulating and much speculation by the media and the public. In order to minimize such speculation, the Beverly Hills Police Department has asked the Coroner's office to place a security hold on their findings until they have a complete and final report prepared.

Here is the factual information that we are able to confirm at this time:

Information relayed to first responders was that Ms. Houston was discovered in her bathtub by a member of her personal staff at approximately 3:30 pm on Saturday February 11th. She was underwater and apparently unconscious. Ms. Houston was pulled from the tub by members of her staff and hotel security was promptly notified.

Fire Department personnel, accompanied by hotel security responded to her hotel suite. Upon arrival, first responders observed Whitney Houston to still be unconscious and unresponsive. They initiated CPR, but were unable to revive her. At approximately 3:55 pm. Whitney Houston, age 48 was pronounced dead at the scene.

Beverly Hills Police detectives and Crime Scene investigators were called to the scene to conduct a death investigation. To preserve the integrity of our investigation we cannot comment at this time regarding any specifics of that

investigation. We also cannot speculate on what may have caused or contributed to her death. The actual cause of death will be determined by the LA Co. Coroner's Office following final toxicology results.

Additional information will be released as soon as it is available.

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