



Press Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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Subject : **Kidnapping – Suspect found deceased**

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A kidnapping, at gunpoint, occurred in South Redondo Beach at approximately 3:20 A.M.. A 22-year-old female was taken by an ex-boyfriend (Timothy Thomas, 27 years old, Los Angeles resident) in a 2000 Honda Accord sedan from the 900 block of Carnelian Street.

The female victim was located at a Super 8 motel in the 2300 block of Sepulveda Blvd. at approximately 5:15 A.M. The female is safe and with police.

Members of the Redondo Beach and Torrance Police Department contained the motel and the room where the suspect had rented a room. After searching the motel grounds and motel room, Timothy Thomas was located in the bathroom deceased from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Detectives from Redondo Beach Police Department are still at the motel to process the scene for evidence related to the kidnapping incident.

This press release was prepared by Sergeant Shawn Freeman.