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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Homicide

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Case or Incident # 2007-011871

Summary:

On 4/16/2007, at approximately 3:32am, the Juneau Police Department received a call from the Bartlett Regional Hospital Emergency Room requesting assistance for assault victims who had arrived at the ER and were not being cooperative. When the police arrived they found four (4) people, one of which had been severely injured and died prior to police arriving. The victim was a 36 year old Juneau male whose name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Upon investigation police determined that the sources of the victim's injuries was a vehicle/pedestrian collision on Glacier Highway in the Waydelich Creek area. The vehicle, a 2001 Ford truck, was driven by 21 year old Anthony DELEZ of Juneau. The investigation revealed that DELEZ and the victim had been in a physical altercation prior to the collision. DELEZ then got back in the vehicle and intentionally drove over the victim.

DELEZ was lodged at Lemon Creek Correction Center and charged with Murder in the Second Degree an unclassified felony, Driving While Intoxicated a misdemeanor, and Driving with a Revoked License a misdemeanor.

Investigation into this incident is on-going.

*****UPDATE*****

The victim is identified as 36 year old Juneau resident Richard MASON.
Investigation is continuing.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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