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To: All Media Outlets
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The autopsy has been completed and notification has been made to the next of kin for the female victim that was shot by unknown perpetrator/s in the 2200 block of Oliver Street, in Fort Wayne, on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at approximately 23:51 hours. The decedent was pronounced deceased at the scene by Three Rivers Ambulance Authority at 00:02 hours, on Sunday, February 27, 2022.

The decedent has been positively identified as Lashawndra Denise McDowell female, black, 40 years of age from Lima, Ohio.

Cause of Death has been determined to be Gunshot Wound of Torso and the Manner of Death is Homicide.

Lashawndra Denise McDowell is the 2nd Homicide for Fort Wayne and Allen County in 2022.

The incident remains under investigation by the Fort Wayne Police Department, the Allen County Prosecutor's Office and the Allen County Coroner's Office.

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