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Suspicious Death Investigation by the Mercer County Homicide Task Force Leads to Arrest of Hamilton Man for Murder

Mercer County Prosecutor Angelo J. Onofri reported today that an investigation by the Mercer County Homicide Task Force and the Hamilton Township Police has led to the arrest of a Hamilton man for murder.

Harley Wildmann, 42, was arrested and charged Tuesday evening with first-degree murder, second-degree desecration of human remains, third- and fourth-degree weapons offenses and fourth-degree tampering with evidence. The prosecutor's office has filed a motion to detain Wildmann pending trial.

At approximately 6:45 a.m. on July 26, Hamilton police received a call from someone in the area of Clover Avenue who observed what appeared to be human remains near the cemetery. Police arrived and located a severely burned deceased victim. The victim was later identified as 39-year-old Lisa Lloyd of Ewing.

Detectives collected video from the area surrounding the cemetery and identified a two-tone Chevy S10 pickup truck with NJ registration driving past in the early morning of Tuesday, July 26. At approximately 1:48 a.m., the vehicle could be seen stopping for several minutes in the area where the remains were found. A short time later, a large fire can be seen adjacent to the stopped vehicle.

Detectives located the Chevy S10 pickup truck later that morning in the area of Chambers and E. Franklin Streets and conducted a motor vehicle stop. The driver of the vehicle was Harley Wildmann. A female passenger was also in the vehicle. Interviews were conducted by task force detectives and the female was released.

Anyone with information is asked to call HTF Detective Sherika Salmon at (609) 989-6406. Information can also be emailed to mchtftips@mercercounty.org.

Despite having been charged, every defendant is presumed innocent until found guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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