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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **\*UPDATE\***

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On April 22, 2013, the decomposing remains of a white female were found in a wooded area, near SR 44 and Interstate-75, Wildwood. An autopsy would reveal the female was a victim of a homicide. The identity of the victim has yet to be determined.

Over the past few weeks, Dr. Erin Kimmerle, a Forensic Anthropologist with the University of South Florida has examined the victim's remains. As you are aware, Dr. Kimmerle's previous work in this area has led to the successful closure of many cold cases.

**On Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at 1000am, The Sumter County Sheriff's Office will be holding a press conference** at the scene, which is located behind the Wendy's on SR 44, just East of Interstate-75. During the press conference Dr. Kimmerle and I will be there to answer questions and provide new, never released information regarding the victim. In addition, we will be allowing the media to view the actual scene where the victim was located.

Obtaining the victim's identity is imperative to our investigation. We are in need of assistance from your viewer's in order to identify this elderly homicide victim. I am asking for media from throughout the state to attend the press conference. This victim could have been from an area, which is covered by your media outlet, and we have not reached them before.

I thank you very much for your assistance. I know there is a grieving family somewhere who is looking for their missing loved one. I need your assistance to locate them and the terrible person who committed this horrific crime.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me. You should know that no further information will be released until the press conference on Thursday.

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