For Immediate Release
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Update re. Drowning at Brandywine Apts.

The victim in Sunday's drowning at the Brandywine Apts has been identified as Damon Russell Hughes, W/M, 08/19/71 of 6768 16th Terrace North, Apt 196.

This still appears to be a either case of an accidental drowning or possible medical episode. A final determination will be made by the Medical Examiner's Office.

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We are currently investigating what appears to by an accidental drowning at the pool located at the Brandywine Apts, 1609 68 St North.

We received the call about 11:15 am this morning and responded along with Fire Rescue personnel. The victim, an unidentified wm in his 30's, had been pulled from the pool by a resident of the complex who found the victim lying at the bottom.

The victim was transported to St. Petersburg General Hospital where he was subsequently pronounce deceased.

A witness reported that they had seen the victim swimming in the pool earlier and that the victim had made some comment to the witness about betting on how long he could swim under water. The witness declined the bet and left the pool area.

At this point officers are still attempting to identify the victim and it is not known whether he was a resident of the complex, a guest or had trespassed on to the complex property. There are no indications of foul play.

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