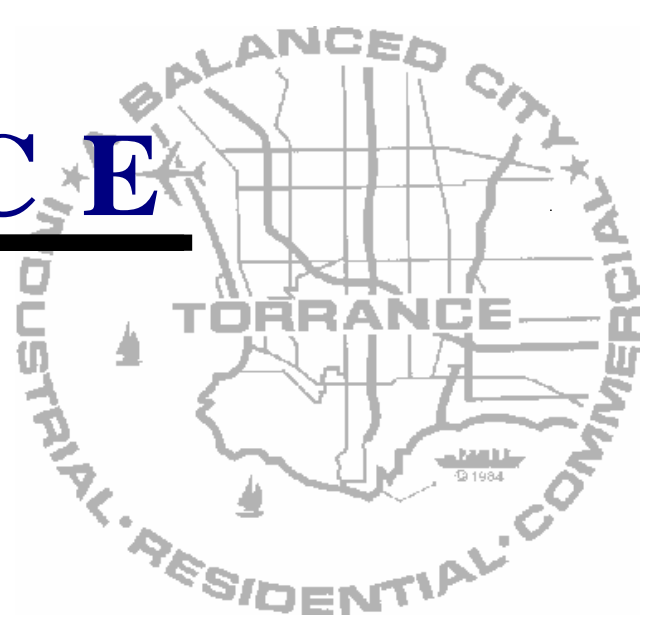


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Press Release

Police Department
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SUSPECT IDENTIFIED IN 46-YEAR- OLD MURDER OF 11 YEAR OLD GIRL.

On November 23, 1972 (Thanksgiving Day), the Victim 11-year-old Terri Lynn Hollis left her home to go for a bike ride and never returned. The Torrance Police Department set up a command post, searched day and night in an effort to locate her. The following morning we received devastating news that the victim's body was located near Point Mugu, in Ventura County.

Torrance Police Department detectives worked on the case for several years, conducted over 2,000 interviews, and investigated numerous leads. In 2000, Detectives began submitting DNA evidence collected from the victim to the Los Angeles Sheriff's Crime Lab. The DNA was processed through the Combined DNA Index System Database with no hits.

In 2018 Parabon-Nanolabs, a DNA technology company completed a Genetic Genealogy Analysis utilizing only publicly available databases and received a hit to a possible relative. Detectives followed up on the lead through traditional investigate methods and discovered the potential person of interest was deceased in Arizona. Detectives exhumed the body, collected bone remains, and submitted the bones to DNA Labs International. DNA Labs International was successful in extracting DNA evidence from the bones and was able to confirm the bone remains were a one in 21 septillion match to the evidence collected from the victim.

In late July 2019 Torrance Police Department detectives were successful in identifying Jake Edward Brown also known as Thomas Tracy Burum who was born in 1936 as the suspect in this case.

We are very proud to say that this case has been solved, but detectives will continue to investigate to see if the suspect was involved in other unsolved crimes.

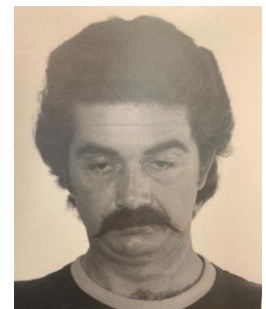


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This investigation is being conducted under the command of Torrance Police Captain Mark Underwood of the Special Operations Bureau. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Torrance Police Department (310) 618-5570 (DR 72-20777).



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