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CLEARWATER POLICE INVESTIGATE INFANT DEATH

WHO: Anthony Ruiz-Portal (Deceased)
DOB 9-17-09
304 S. Corona Ave. #6
Clearwater, Fla.

Veronica Portal (Mother)
DOB 2-1-86

Jose Ruiz-Lopez (Father)
DOB 10-1-84

WHAT: Death Investigation

WHEN: October 24, 2009
2:04 a.m.

WHERE: Morton Plant Hospital
Clearwater, Fla.

WHY: Officers responded to Morton Plant Hospital for a deceased 5-week-old infant. At 2:04 a.m., the parents called 911, because the infant was throwing up and was unresponsive. The infant was transported to Morton Plant Hospital and was pronounced at 4:10 a.m.

The medical examiner performed a preliminary autopsy this afternoon. Results are pending. There are suspicious circumstances surrounding the death that are being investigated. No further information will be released at this time.

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