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## PRESS RELEASE

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### UPDATE

**TYPE OF CRIME:** Fatal Traffic Collision  
**LOCATION:** Branham Ln./Snell Ave.

**DRIVER:** Vi Hung LUU  
**ADDRESS:** San Jose Resident  
**VICTIM #1:** Pha CHHOENG (Deceased)  
**ADDRESS:** San Jose Resident  
**VICTIM #2:** Hiep PHAN  
**ADDRESS:** San Jose Resident

### UPDATE

**CASE NUMBER:** 05-259-1089  
**DATE:** 9-16-05 **TIME:** 9:27PM

**AGE:** Adult Male (24 yrs.)  
**AGE:** Adult Male (25yrs.)  
**AGE:** Adult Male (43yrs.)

### UPDATE

### DETAILS:

On 09/16/05 at 9:27PM, San Jose Police Officers responded on a call of a major injury accident involving a car into a light pole at Branham Ln. and Snell Ave. Traffic Investigators also responded to the scene.

Preliminary investigation indicates that a purple 1997 Acura was traveling eastbound on Branham Lane at a high rate of speed. Witnesses observed the vehicle traveling with its headlights out prior to the collision. The driver attempted to pass a row of cars on the right side of the roadway while they were stopped for the red light. The driver lost control and struck a light pole. Paramedics responded to the scene and transported the driver and one of two passengers to the hospital. Another passenger was pronounced dead at the scene.

Investigators believe alcohol may have been a contributing factor in this collision. Anyone with information on this case is urged to contact Investigator Jincy Pace of the San Jose Police Dept.'s Vehicular Crimes Unit at (408) 277-4654. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at (408) 947-STOP.

BY: Sgt. N.M.Muyo #2086  
DATE: 9-19-05

TIME: 9:00AM

PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES NO**

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. John Carr

DATE: 9-19-05

TIME: 9:00AM