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THREE ARRESTS MADE IN JOHN D. KAVAIRLOOK JR. HOMICIDE

FAIRBANKS, Alaska

Three persons have been arrested in connection with the John D. Kavairlook, Jr. homicide. Early on the morning of May 17th, Mr. Kavairlook was shot multiple times in a parking lot after an altercation at the Rock N Rodeo nightclub. Mr. Kavairlook died at the scene.

Joel Roland Joseph, DOB 10/2/89, formerly of Anchorage, was arrested on Tuesday in Selma, Texas, by U.S. Marshals and New Braunfels Police Department Detectives, on a warrant for Murder in the First Degree. Joseph had relocated to New Braunfels, Texas, two days after the homicide of Mr. Kavairlook.

Joseph’s brother, David Gregory Joseph, DOB 12/9/80, was arrested in Anchorage and has been indicted on charges of Hindering Prosecution in the First Degree. David Gregory Joseph was not present the morning of the homicide.

Demarius William Hinson, DOB 12/29/89, was arrested on Wednesday in Orlando, Florida, on a $500,000 warrant for Hindering Prosecution in the First Degree. Hinson, formerly of Anchorage, had fled the country after the homicide and returned to the United States a month ago.

Investigators are declining to disclose the specific roles of suspects until all persons involved have been apprehended. Additional arrests are expected.

“Investigators have spent well over 3,000 hours working on this case,” Mayor Eberhart stated. “Chief Aragon and I have worked to ensure that the resources needed are available to investigators, and we will continue to support their work in solving this heinous crime. The perpetrators must be brought to justice and there must be closure for Mr. Kavairlook, the families, and our community.”

Police continue to investigate and ask that anyone with information about the shooting contact the Fairbanks Police Department, Detective Peyton Merideth at 907.450.6592 or via email at lperideth@ci.fairbanks.ak.us.

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