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Press Release

Date: October 21, 2018

Case# 18-2752

Location: 1200 Block of North 4th Street, Banning

Incident: Lewd and Lascivious Acts

On Sunday, October 21, 2018, at about 0200 hours, Banning Police Department conducted a possible lewd and lascivious acts investigation. After further investigation, a suspect was positively identified as Bernard Fontes, a thirty-seven year old male adult from the City of Banning. Fontes was located at his residence in the 1200 block of North 4th Street in the City of Banning and placed under arrest. Fontes was subsequently booked into the Smith Correctional Facility for lewd and lascivious acts of a minor.

Additionally, the Banning Police Department learned that Fontes is an employee for the Banning Unified School District and is employed as a janitor. The Banning Police Department notified the Banning Unified School District of the circumstances surrounding this case. The Banning Police Department and the Banning Unified School District are working together as the investigation continues.

At this time, the Banning Police Department does not have any information that there are additional victims. As the investigation continues, the Banning Police Department is working closely with the Banning Unified School District to assure the safety of all students and staff members of the Banning Unified School District.

The Banning Police Department is asking if anyone has additional information about Bernard Fontes, to please call the Banning Police Department Detective Bureau at 951-922-3170.