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City of El Paso Mourns the Loss of Second Sun Metro Employee

EL PASO, **Texas**—It is with heavy hearts that the City of El Paso and Sun Metro announce today's passing of German Garcia, a valued Fleet Maintenance Technician.

His loss deeply resonates, especially following the recent mourning of Ruben Ibarra, another valued member of the Sun Metro family. The grief felt within the organization and the broader City community is profound.

"We are heartbroken to lose another dedicated member of our Sun Metro team," said City Manager Dionne Mack. "German Garcia was an essential part of the hardworking group that keeps our community moving forward. His loss is immense, and we send our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues during this painful time. The City is steadfast in its commitment to support those affected, ensuring our employees have access to the resources they need in these trying moments."

Mayor Renard U. Johnson and the El Paso City Council also conveyed their sorrow.

"It is truly heartbreaking to lose not one, but two valued members of our City team in such a short span," said Mayor Johnson. "We grieve alongside their families and our Sun Metro employees. We encourage the community to remember them in their thoughts and prayers as we all process this sorrow together."

German Garcia joined Sun Metro in December 2024 as a Fleet Maintenance Technician. Although his time with us was brief, his absence is deeply felt by those who were just beginning to know him. The City and Sun Metro extend their sincere condolences to his loved ones as they navigate this difficult time of mourning.

"Our team is still coming to terms with these tragic losses," said Sun Metro Director Anthony DeKeyzer. "Although German and Ruben were with us for a brief time, their impact on our lives is undeniable. We stand united with their families and will continue to extend our support to our employees as we navigate through this devastating period."

Employees are reminded that the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available to provide support and counseling.

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