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BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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COMMUNITY BULLETIN

MOUNTAIN LION SAFETY AWARENESS

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This bulletin is intended to provide safety awareness information to the community in regards to mountain lions and precautions to keep residents and their pets safe.

During the week of May 29, 2017, a mountain lion was spotted in the area of Sunset Canyon and Elmwood Avenue in the City of Burbank. As summer approaches and community members take to the outdoors for recreational activities, the Burbank Police and California Department of Fish and Wildlife have developed these safety tips to help deter mountain lion activity and educate the public on what to do should you happen to encounter a mountain lion:

- Trim brush & landscaping on your property to reduce potential hiding places for mountain lions.
- Bring pet food inside to avoid attracting raccoons, opossums, and other potential prey.
- Do not leave small children or pets outside, unattended.
- Install motion-sensing light fixtures around your home.
- Avoid hiking or jogging when mountain lions are most active at dawn, dusk and during darkness.
- Do not allow pets outside when mountain lions are most active.
- Do not feed deer. It's illegal in California and will attract mountain lions.
- Do not hike, bike or jog alone in areas where mountain lions might be present.
- Don't ever approach a mountain lion.
- If you happen to encounter a mountain lion, make noise and try to look bigger by waving your arms. Throw rocks or objects at the mountain lion and fight back if attacked.

For questions regarding mountain lions, please contact the Burbank Animal Shelter, at (818) 238-3340. For assistance after hours, call the Burbank Police at (818) 238-3000. If you witness someone being attacked by a mountain lion, or are in need of help, immediately dial 9-1-1.

For an informational flyer, **<u>CLICK HERE</u>**.

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QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS STATEMENT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO: SERGEANT DEREK GREEN | 818-238-3240 | DGREEN@BURBANKCA.GOV

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