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PRESS RELEASE

Release Date: 4/7/2012 **Time:** 1330 **Prepared by:** Sergeant Spencer

Type of Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision **Location:** Patterson Lane, north of Ellis Avenue

Date/Time of Occurrence: 04/07/2012 at 11:53 a.m. **Case Number:** 2012-005420

Details:

On Saturday morning at 1153 hours, Officers of the Huntington Beach Police Department and members of the Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley Fire Departments responded to a single vehicle traffic collision on Patterson Lane north of Ellis Avenue in the City of Huntington Beach.

The initial investigation revealed a grey colored 2001 Suzuki Esteem was travelling north on Patterson Lane from Ellis Avenue when it left the roadway and collided with some bushes. It is believed the driver and sole occupant, an 81-year-old male, suffered a medical issue which possibly caused the collision. The driver of the vehicle was transported to UCI hospital where he was pronounced dead a short time later. There were no other vehicles involved in the collision and no one else was injured.

The identity of the driver is not being released at this time pending notification of his family.

Any witnesses to the collision are asked to call Officer Barr at 714/ 536-5666.