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PRESS RELEASE

Release Date: 10/2/2010

Time: 7:30a.m.

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Type of Incident: Traffic Collision Fatality

Location: Gothard Street north of Center Ave.

Date/Time of Occurrence: 10-2-10/ 2:27a.m.

Case Number: 10-17399

Details:

On 10-2-10 at about 2:27 a.m. the Huntington Beach Police Department received a call of an injury traffic collision on Gothard Street north of Center Ave. The preliminary investigation indicates a male 18 years old was driving a maroon 1992 Honda coupe and traveling north on Gothard Street at Center Ave. After passing through the intersection, the driver and sole occupant crossed over into the southbound lanes as the roadway curved. The Honda subsequently struck the west curb of Gothard and veered into a light post. The impact resulted in the vehicle sheering in half and ejecting the driver. It appears excessive speed is a factor for this collision.

Huntington Beach Fire Paramedics were requested and arrived on scene. The driver and solo occupant succumbed to his injuries at the scene and pronounced dead at about 2:31 a.m. The driver's name is being withheld pending proper identification and notification by the Orange County Coroner's Office.

The cause of the collision is under investigation. HBPD is requesting any persons who may have seen the collision to contact the Huntington Beach Police Department Traffic Bureau at 714-536-5663.