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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Release Date/Time: Thursday, December 3rd, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Subject: Fatal Traffic Collision

Case Number: 2015-18919

Details:

On Thursday, December 3rd, 2015, at 12:58 PM, the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Garfield Avenue and Hamden Lane regarding a head on traffic collision.

Arriving officers located the involved vehicles, a 1998 Ford Explorer, driven by a 20 year old female, who was the lone occupant and a 2015 Toyota 4Runner, driven by a 32 year old male, who was the lone occupant. The female, a resident of Huntington Beach was transported to Anaheim Global Medical Center with moderate injuries. The male, a resident of Fountain Valley was transported to UCI Medical Center in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries. His name is being withheld until next of kin can be notified.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the male was driving westbound on Garfield Avenue and drifted into an opposing lane of traffic, colliding with the female driving east Garfield Avenue.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time. It is not known if impairment was a factor.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666 or Accident Investigator Josh Page at 714-536-5670. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.