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UPDATE: INCIDENT TYPE –TRAFFIC FATALITY

HIGH POINT, NC –

Update: During the investigation of this traffic fatality, it was discovered through video evidence that Mr. Shea was engaging in a willful speed competition with another driver just prior to the crash. The driver of the other vehicle involved in the speed competition was identified during the investigation and was located by the investigating officer on Monday, 11/15/2021. The driver was identified as Kyle Self w/m (33) of Franklinville, NC. Mr. Self cooperated during the investigation and was later charged by citation with spontaneous speed competition and speeding 75mph in a 45mph zone. There was no evidence to suggest that Mr. Self's vehicle made any contact with Mr. Shea's vehicle prior to the collision or contributed to Mr. Shea losing control of his vehicle. Speed and rider inexperience are still considered to be the contributing factors for this crash. This was the 9th traffic fatality for the City of High Point for this year.

On Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 1720hrs emergency crews responded to W Market Center Drive near the Prospect Street overpass for a traffic crash with injury. The initial investigation determined a 2008 Yamaha YZFR6 driven by Andrew Shea (18) of High Point was traveling East on W Market Center Drive. Mr. Shea lost control of the motorcycle as he entered a curve to the right and crossed the concrete median into the Westbound lanes. Mr. Shea was ejected from the motorcycle during this and was pronounced deceased at the scene as a result of the injuries he received. After entering the Westbound lanes Mr. Shea's motorcycle struck a 1993 Nissan pickup truck driven by Kevin Freeman (41) of Archdale. No other injuries were reported. This collision is being investigated by the High Point Police Department Traffic Enforcement and Investigations Unit and is still in the early stages of the investigation. No charges are expected to be filed. Excessive speed and rider inexperience were contributing factors for this crash.

The High Point Police Department remains committed to crime-fighting, community engagement, training, and professional policing. We will continue to collaborate with our community members and crime-fighting partners to promote a higher quality of life. Anyone



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