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MEDIA RELEASE

Fatal Traffic Crash

For Immediate Release

Date: November 5, 2022

Case: SO2255570

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On November 5, 2022 at 9:45 p.m. Rock County Sheriff's Deputies, and Fire and EMS personnel from Orfordville, Footville, and Janesville Fire Departments responded to a two vehicle traffic crash that occurred at the intersection of West State Highway 11 and North County Highway H in Center Township. The investigation showed a white Nissan Maxima was southbound on North County Highway H and failed to stop at the stop sign at West State Highway 11. A gray Ford Escape was westbound on West State Highway 11 and struck the Nissan Maxima broadside on the driver's side. The drivers from both vehicles, and a passenger in the Nissan Maxima were pronounced dead at the scene. Two other passengers in the Nissan Maxima and the passenger in the Ford Escape were transported to Mercy Hospital in Janesville for injuries sustained in the crash.

Rock County Sheriff's Crash Reconstruction Team and personnel from the Rock County Medical Examiner's Office responded for the investigation. Rock County Highway Department workers responded to assist with a detour route while the scene was being cleared. Traffic on West State Highway 11 was rerouted for several hours until the scene was cleared. Further information along with the identity of the deceased may be released by the Rock County Medical Examiner's Office at a later date.

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