For Immediate Release
July 5, 2012

Updated: Serious Injury Crash on June 30, 2012 is now a Fatality

Date/Time of Incident:
June 30th, 2012 at 10:39 p.m.

Address/Location:
900 Block of Roosevelt Boulevard

Synopsis:
A 2000 Chevrolet Tracker, FL tag #RIT4V, being driven by Floyd Leroy Cotner, was eastbound in the eastbound lanes of Roosevelt Boulevard, approaching Dr Martin Luther King Street North.

A 1999 Jeep Cherokee, FL tag #J50XNU, being driven by James Craig Wilson, was stopped in the eastbound lanes of Roosevelt Boulevard for a red light at the intersection of Dr Martin Luther King Street North.

Cotner failed to perceive and react to Wilson's vehicle in front of him. The front of Cotner's vehicle struck the rear of Wilson's vehicle, causing Cotner's vehicle to overturn.

Both Cotner and Wilson were transported to Bayfront Medical Center.

Wilson was treated and released, but Cotner died from his injuries on July 4th, 2012.

Cotner was unrestrained at the time of the crash and alcohol was a factor. Criminal charges were pending prior to his death.

Victim's Biographical Information:
Floyd Leroy Cotner (W/M, 11/10/1964)
6938 Forest Avenue
New Port Richey, FL 34653

Was Next of Kin Notified:
Yes, Tara Francis (Sister)

Arrested Person's Name and Charges (if applicable):
None - Death of Offender

Release Prepared by:
Officer Scott Blanchette (V4)

Information released by Bill Proffitt on Thursday July 5, 2012 at 1:36 p.m.

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