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MEDIA RELEASE

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TYPE OF INCIDENT: Fatal Traffic Crash-****UPDATED INFORMATION****

DATE: Friday, May 05, 2023

TIME: 824 PM

LOCATION: Michigan Ave at State Rd., Pittsfield Township

POLICE COMPLAINT NUMBER: 23-6312

INFORMATION: The Pittsfield Township Police Department, along with the Pittsfield Township Fire Department, were dispatched to a traffic crash involving two vehicles at the intersection of Michigan Avenue and State Road. Upon arrival, officers found one of the vehicles was on fire and rolled over with a subject inside.

Preliminary on scene investigation revealed the Saline Police Department was involved in a vehicle pursuit which began in their jurisdiction. As the pursuit was traveling eastbound on Michigan Avenue entering the State Rd. intersection, in Pittsfield Township, the pursued suspect vehicle struck a vehicle traveling south on State Road at a high rate of speed.

The driver of the pursued vehicle was pronounced deceased on scene and investigators are attempting to determine their identity. Three occupants of the southbound vehicle were transported to an area hospital.

The Pittsfield Township Police Accident Investigation Unit is investigating the incident. If you witnessed the crash or have information regarding it, please contact the numbers below.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Pittsfield Township Police Department:

- Confidential TIP line: 734-822-4958 (Detective Bureau)
- General Information: 734-822-4911 (Front Desk)
- Request Police Response: 734-994-2911, ext. 8 (Metro Dispatch)

INJURIES:

- Fatal injuries suffered to the driver of the pursued vehicle-**The deceased driver has been identified as a 19 yr. old male- Micah Damon Cross II of Ypsilanti.**
- 43-year old, female, Milan MI resident is in critical but stable condition and remains in the hospital.
- 9-year-old, male, Milan MI resident has been released from the hospital.
- 5-year-old, female, Milan MI resident has been released from the hospital.

ADDITIONAL:

Pittsfield Police are still actively investigating the crash. Anyone who may have witnessed the crash is encouraged to call police at the above listed number.

CONTACT PERSON: Deputy Chief Patrick Gray (734) 822-6051