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Glendale Police Seek Help in Recent Fatal Hit and Run Collision

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On April 22, 2016, at approximately 8:32pm, motorcyclist Michael Freeman was traveling west at 5100 W. Northern Avenue when a dark colored vehicle exited a private drive, traveling directly into the path of Freeman. The motorcyclist attempted to lay the motorcycle down to avoid impacting the car, but the collision still occurred. Freeman died of injuries as a result of the collision. The vehicle that caused the collision fled the scene, and the driver was never located.

Surveillance cameras nearby captured the collision, showing the suspect vehicle. Witnesses in the area also saw the fatal crash and the suspect vehicle, describing the suspect vehicle as a dark blue or black vehicle with faded paint, adding that it was equipped with a spoiler fin on the rear trunk. They indicated the vehicle had obvious collision damage, and they wrote down the Arizona license plate number of BKJ3778, which was last issued to a 1997 Honda two-door vehicle. Witnesses last saw the vehicle fleeing north on N. 51 Avenue from W. Northern Avenue, and they said the driver was a Hispanic male with a heavy build, short dark hair and wearing an orange shirt.

Glendale vehicular crimes detectives have been diligently trying to solve this case. They have exhausted all leads and have not been able to locate the hit and run vehicle or identify the suspect driver responsible for Michael Freeman's death. The Glendale Police Department is asking for the community's help in finding the suspect responsible for this fatal hit and run collision, as well as the vehicle involved. Please contact the Glendale Police Department at (623)930-3000 with any information you believe might help solve this case. See attached surveillance video of the collision.

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