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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION**

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Monday, January 8, 2018, at approximately 4:50 AM, Riverside Police and Fire responded to a report of a single vehicle traffic collision on Market St at Second St, in the City of Riverside. Officers determined a 2000 Honda Civic, which was being driven by an 18 year-old Riverside resident, was South on Market St when, for unknown reasons, the vehicle left the roadway and impacted a tree near Second St. Emergency services personnel pronounced the vehicle's 17 year-old passenger deceased at the scene. It does appear alcohol and/or drugs were a factor in this collision.

Officers from the Riverside Police Department M.A.I.T. were called to the scene and are currently investigating. The name of the decedent will be released by the Riverside County Coroner's Office pending their investigation and notification of next of kin.

Anyone with information regarding this collision is urged to call Riverside Police Traffic Detective F. Soria at (951) 826-8723

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