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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
July 24, 2018**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> July 24, 2018 3:17 AM
<u>Incident Location:</u> Pennsylvania 66 Turnpike, Mile Marker: 11.45 Hempfield Township	
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> <b>Decedent:</b> Jack T. Bierer, Jr., 37 y/o male. Address: Marsh Street Greensburg (City of)	
<u>Date and Time of Death:</u> July 24, 2018 at 4:30 AM	
<b><u>Incident Details:</u> Cause of Death: Hemoperitoneum Due to: Two Vehicle Collision Manner of Death: Accidental</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on a motor vehicle collision.</li><li>▪ City of Greensburg Police attempted to perform a traffic stop on a vehicle operated by Jack T. Bierer, Jr. who was the lone occupant of a 2018, Ford Focus.</li><li>▪ The Ford Focus failed to pull over which resulted in a police pursuit.</li><li>▪ The Ford Focus traveled onto Pennsylvania 66 Turnpike where it was traveling northbound in the southbound lanes.</li><li>▪ The Ford Focus collided in a head-on type collision with a 2015, Subaru Crosstrek, which was traveling southbound.</li><li>▪ Emergency medical personnel transported the decedent to Excelsa Westmoreland Emergency Department, where he was pronounced dead by a hospital physician.</li><li>▪ Deputy Coroner Sean R. Hribal investigated the incident.</li><li>▪ Speed is believed to have been a factor in the incident.</li><li>▪ The decedent was not utilizing a seat-belt at the time of the incident.</li><li>▪ Air bags deployed in the decedent's vehicle.</li><li>▪ An autopsy was performed on this date by Dr. Cyril H. Wecht and Pathology Associates.</li><li>▪ Cause and manner of death is reflected above.</li><li>▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.</li><li>▪ A funeral home has not been chosen at this time.</li><li>▪ Pennsylvania State Police are investigating.</li></ul>	
<b>***** No further information is available from this office at this time. *****</b>	