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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 11, 2020**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> October 11, 2020 1:04 AM
<u>Incident Location:</u>	929 East Pittsburgh Street Hempfield Township
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> Decedent: Michael W. Schiff, 19 y/o male Address: Neil Drive St. Petersburg, Florida 33714 Date and Time of Death: October 11, 2020 at 1:58 AM	
<u>Incident Details:</u>	Cause of Death: Multiple Blunt Force Injuries Due to: Single Vehicle Collision Manner of Death: Accidental <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on a motor vehicle fatality that occurred in Hempfield Township.▪ The decedent, Michael W. Schiff, was the operator and lone occupant of a 2006, Mercedes-Benz C280, traveling east on U.S. 30 at a high rate of speed.▪ The decedent failed to negotiate a sharp right curve in the roadway, traveled over the center concrete barrier, crossed the opposite lanes of travel, became airborne, and struck the southwest corner of a commercial building.▪ The vehicle came to rest on the roof and the decedent was entrapped in the vehicle.▪ Deputy Coroner Joshua C. Zappone pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.▪ Speed is believed to have been a factor in the incident.▪ The decedent was utilizing a seat-belt at the time of the incident.▪ Cell phone use being a factor in the incident is unknown at this time.▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.▪ Cause and manner of death is reflected above.▪ Segal Funeral Home of Tampa, Florida will be in charge of arrangements.▪ Pennsylvania State Police Greensburg Barracks also investigated and will release additional details at their discretion.
****No further information is available at this time****	