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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**September 4, 2021**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motorcycle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> September 4, 2021 12:45 AM
<u>Incident Location:</u>	1119 Mount Pleasant Road Hempfield Township
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> <b>Decedent:</b> Tanner B. Van Woundenberg, 19 y/o male Address: Duquesne Avenue Trafford Borough	
Date and Time of Death: September 4, 2021 at 1:30 AM	
<u>Incident Details:</u>	<b>Cause of Death: Blunt Force Trauma of the Head and Neck</b> <b>Due to: Single Motorcycle Collision</b>  <b>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 motorcycle fatality that occurred in Hempfield Township.</li><li>▪ The decedent, Tanner B. Van Woundenberg, was the operator with one passenger of a 2008, Yamaha motorcycle, traveling north on Mount Pleasant Road.</li><li>▪ For an unknown reason, the decedent failed to negotiate a left curve in the roadway, traversed the east shoulder, struck a fence, and came to rest in the driveway of the above incident location.</li><li>▪ Deputy Coroner John A. Ackerman pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.</li><li>▪ The decedent was not utilizing a helmet at the time of the incident.</li><li>▪ Cause and manner of death is reflected above.</li><li>▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.</li><li>▪ Shirley Funeral Home of North Huntingdon will be in charge of arrangements.</li><li>▪ Pennsylvania State Police Greensburg Barracks also investigated.</li></ul>	
<b>****No further information is available at this time****</b>	