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For Immediate Release

From Major Alan Moore, Chief Deputy

Pedestrian Struck in Two-Vehicle Crash on US 40

Wayne County, IN – At approximately 2:56 p.m. on April 28, 2026, Wayne County Emergency Communications received multiple 911 calls reporting a crash involving a pedestrian and two vehicles in the area of U.S. 40 and Hildabrand Road.

Deputies arrived on scene within minutes, along with Centerville Fire/Rescue and Reid EMS.

Preliminary investigation indicates that Isaiah Marquis Thomas, 28, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was walking westbound across the country as part of a fundraising effort for underprivileged children. Thomas was on foot with a support vehicle following him, a 2017 blue Mazda CX-5 driven by Joyce Nicole Deloney, 47, of Richmond.

A second westbound vehicle, a 2000 silver Buick LeSabre driven by Jerry Eugene Plummer, 82, of Connersville, struck the rear of the Mazda, pushing it into Thomas. A juvenile passenger was also in Plummer's vehicle at the time.

Thomas, Deloney, and the juvenile were transported to Reid Health for evaluation and treatment. Their injuries are believed to be non-life-threatening, though the full extent is not known.

The investigation remains ongoing.

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