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Fatal Traffic Collision- Edinger Avenue and Edwards Street

On Friday, February 9, 2024, at approximately 9:30 PM, the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) responded to a traffic collision on Edinger Avenue east of Edwards Street involving a white 2017 Chevrolet Silverado and a silver 2010 Toyota Prius.

Upon arrival, officers located the driver of the Prius, a 55-year-old male from Huntington Beach. He was transported to a local hospital but was later pronounced deceased. The driver of the Silverado, a 24-year-old male from Huntington Beach, fled the scene on foot but was apprehended by officers a short time later.

Based on the preliminary investigation, the Prius was traveling westbound on Edinger Avenue in the #2 lane just east of Edwards Street. The Silverado, also westbound Edinger in the #2 lane, collided with the rear of the Prius. The Silverado was traveling at an unsafe speed.

The driver of the Silverado was arrested and booked for charges, including suspicion of driving under the influence and vehicular manslaughter.

The collision investigation is ongoing and being handled by the HBPD Multidisciplinary Accident Investigation Team (MAIT). Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or the events leading up to it is encouraged to contact HBPD Traffic Investigator C. Houlston at (714) 536-5670.

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