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## Attorney General Brown Announces No Charges Will Be Filed in the April 8, 2024 Fatal Crash in Baltimore County

**BALTIMORE, MD** (October 21, 2024) – Today, Attorney General Anthony G. Brown announced his decision not to seek charges in the April 8, 2024 fatal vehicle crash in Baltimore County, Maryland.

On Monday, April 8, 2024, at approximately 12:15 a.m., officers with the Baltimore County Police Department were on patrol in the 1800 block of Belmont Avenue in Windsor Mill, Maryland, when they observed a 2012 gray Infiniti parked in a hotel parking lot which they confirmed was a stolen vehicle. A short time later, a man entered the stolen Infiniti and began to exit the hotel parking lot. Officers activated their emergency lights and attempted to make a traffic stop. However, the Infiniti's driver, later identified as DeMarco Davis, failed to stop and kept driving, at which time the officers began pursuing the Infiniti. For several minutes, the officers pursued the Infiniti with their emergency equipment activated until Mr. Davis drove onto an exit ramp of the I-695 outer loop near the Liberty Road exit. The officers terminated the pursuit and did not follow Mr. Davis onto the I-695 exit ramp. Shortly after Mr. Davis entered the highway against the traffic flow, he collided head-on with an Acura sedan. The driver of the Acura was identified as Ms. Dimeka Thornton. Mr. Davis and Ms. Thornton were taken to area hospitals. Ms. Thornton was pronounced dead at the hospital.

The Attorney General's Independent Investigations Division (IID) began investigating the fatal vehicle crash on April 8, 2024, and concluded its investigation on October 16, 2024.

After completing its investigation and evaluating all the available evidence, the Office of the Attorney General has determined that none of the officers involved in the fatal crash committed a crime under Maryland law. Accordingly, the Attorney General has declined to prosecute any of the officers in this case.

A copy of the IID's detailed investigative findings and analysis of relevant legal issues can be found in its declination report

here: https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/Pages/IID/Reports/102124\_IID\_Report.pdf.

To watch the video that was previously released in the case, please click <a href="here">here</a>.

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