

## **PRESS RELEASE**

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Traffic Bureau Collision Investigation Section - Fatal Detail 702-828-3535

Joseph Lombardo, Sheriff

REPORTING DETECTIVES: D. McCuistion, P. Solomon, J. Pearson, M. Scanlon, Sgt. P. McCullough

TYPE OF ACCIDENT: Fatal Traffic Collision

**LOCATION OF ACCIDENT:** South Rainbow Boulevard / South Spring Valley Parkway

**DATE OF ACCIDENT:** 11/2/2021 **TIME:** 3:39 AM **EVENT #:** 211100004646

**Number:** 2 **Driver:** Ruggs, Henry James III **Injury:** Serious

Address: Las Vegas, NV Age: 22 Male

**Vehicle Information:** Green 2020 Chevrolet Corvette

Passenger:Kilgo-Washington, Kiara Je'naiInjury:Serious

Address: Las Vegas, Nevada Age: 22 Female

Number: 2 Driver: Pending Notification Injury: Fatal

Address: Las Vegas, Nevada Age: 23, Female

Vehicle Information: 2013 Toyota Rav4

## **COLLISION DETAILS:**

On November 2, at approximately 3:39 a.m., a vehicle versus vehicle collision occurred near the intersection of South Rainbow Boulevard / South Spring Valley Parkway. Evidence at the scene, witness statements, and surveillance video of the collision indicted a 2013 Toyota Rav 4 was traveling northbound on S. Rainbow Boulevard, south of Spring Valley Parkway, in the right-most travel lane of three northbound lanes. A 2020 Chevrolet Corvette was traveling northbound on S. Rainbow Boulevard, south of Spring Valley Parkway, in the center travel lane of three northbound lanes at a high rate of speed. The Chevrolet veered right and entered the right-most travel lane, which the Toyota occupied. The front of the Chevrolet struck the rear of the Toyota. The Toyota came to final rest and caught on fire with the driver trapped in the driver's seat. Clark County Fire Department responded to the scene and extinguished the fire. Despite their efforts to save the driver, she was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver and passenger of the Chevrolet were transported to University Medical Center Trauma to treat their injuries. The driver of the Chevrolet showed signs of impairment and was booked in absentia at UMC Trauma. The driver's death marks the 119th traffic-related fatality in the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department's jurisdiction for the year 2021. The collision remains under investigation by the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department's Collision Investigation Section