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AURORA POLICE INVESTIGATING FATAL SINGLE-VEHICLE TRAFFIC CRASH ON IL ROUTE 59

Aurora, IL – The Aurora Police Department is investigating a fatal single-vehicle crash that occurred on February 2, 2025, at approximately 3:45 AM near the intersection of Illinois Route 59 and Meridian Parkway.

Preliminary information indicates that a white 2018 Jaguar XE, driven by a 32-year-old male, was traveling southbound on Route 59 when he lost control of the vehicle just south of Meridian Parkway. The Jaguar veered off the roadway and struck a light pole on the west side of Route 59. The impact ejected the driver from the vehicle, resulting in life-threatening injuries. No other occupants were in the vehicle.

Aurora Police and Fire Department personnel responded to the scene and provided immediate medical aid before transporting the driver to Rush Copley Medical Center. Despite medical efforts, the driver, who had recently moved to Aurora, succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 4:43 AM

The Kane County Coroner's Office has taken custody of the body and will conduct an autopsy to determine the exact cause of death. The driver's name will be released by the Coroner's Office at a later time.

The Aurora Police Department's Traffic Division is conducting a thorough investigation into the crash. Portions of the roadway remained closed for several hours as investigators worked to reconstruct the scene. The City of Aurora's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) and other support services were notified due to damage to the light pole.

"Our thoughts are with the family and loved ones of the driver during this heartbreaking time," said Aurora Police Chief Keith Cross. "This incident serves as a reminder that even minor slush or moisture can create hazardous conditions—especially in colder temperatures. We urge all drivers to slow down, remain alert, and adjust their driving to winter road conditions to help prevent tragedies like this."

The investigation remains ongoing. Anyone with information about the crash is encouraged to contact the Aurora Police Department's Traffic Division at (630) 256-5330 or email tips@aurora.il.us.

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