FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 3rd, 2023

## **Fatal Traffic Crash**

McLean County Coroner Dr. Kathy Yoder is releasing the following information regarding the fatal crash at the intersection of Washington Street and East Street on April 2, 2023 in Bloomington, Illinois.

Pronounced deceased on April 2, 2023, was Kudeidrea L. Stewart, age 39, of Bloomington, Illinois. Preliminary autopsy opinion indicates that Ms. Stewart died from head injuries due to a sports utility vehicle collision, reportedly sustained as a passenger in one of the impacting SUVs. Toxicology testing is pending.

This incident remains under investigation by the McLean County Coroner's Office, the Bloomington Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division, and Traffic Crash Reconstruction team.

Chief Jamal Simington stated, "I want to give my sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Ms. Stewart during this extremely difficult time. This is a very unfortunate incident and a reminder that is every user of the highway system's responsibility to do their part to focus on traffic safety. Please adhere to speed limits, wear safety belts, and eliminate distracted driver, and do not driver under the influence.

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Bloomington, IL - On Sunday, 04/02/2023, at approximately 07:19 a.m., Bloomington police officers were dispatched to the intersection of Washington Street and East Street, for a traffic crash involving two SUVs. Upon arrival, officers observed the crash. While on scene, officers assisted medical staff with the occupants.

The occupants from the involved vehicles were transported from the scene to local hospitals with injuries.

One of the passengers, a thirty-nine-year-old-female, was pronounced deceased on scene by the McLean County Coroner's office.

The circumstances behind this incident are still pending investigation by the Bloomington Police Department and the McLean County Coroner's office. Anyone with information should contact the Bloomington Police Department at 309-820-8888.

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If you wish to submit a tip and remain anonymous, please contact the Crime & Intelligence Analysis Unit (CIAU) at (309)-434-2963, or Text to Tip at 847411, or email CIAU@cityblm.org. The CIAU office is staffed from 8am-4:30pm, weekdays. If no one is available to answer your call, please leave the information on the voicemail or send it by e-mail.

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