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Fatal Traffic Collision in Stanton

STANTON, Calif. (May 3, 2025) On Friday, May 2, 2025, at about 11 p.m., Orange County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the report of a traffic collision involving multiple vehicles at the intersection of Magnolia Avenue and Pacific Avenue in Stanton. Deputies arrived and discovered that a Dodge sedan and a Toyota van had been involved in an apparent head-on collision, striking an unoccupied parked vehicle.

The driver of the van, Hoanh Thanh Ngo, 55, of Stanton, succumbed to his injuries sustained in the collision and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The driver of the Dodge, James Anthony Deleon, 30, of Irvine, fled the scene on foot. He was detained a short time later and was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence with a prior conviction and booked into the Orange County Jail for CPC 187(a) - Murder, and CVC 23153(a) - DUI Causing Injury.

The Orange County Sheriff's Department's Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) is investigating the collision. If anyone has additional details that may assist investigators, or witnessed this traffic collision, they are asked to contact the Orange County Sheriff's Department's Traffic Bureau at 949-425-1860. Anonymous information may be provided through Orange County Crime Stoppers at 1-855-TIP-OCCS.

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