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**PLYMOUTH COUNTY DA CRUZ ISSUES CALL TO MOTORISTS: BOLO FOR BIKES**

*Two serious crashes, one fatal, in Plymouth County in less than two weeks*

**BROCKTON** – Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz has issued a call for motorists to be on the lookout for bikes after the second serious crash in less than two weeks that involved motorcycles versus motor vehicles.

“Spring has arrived here in New England, and with it comes great weather to get out on the open road,” DA Cruz said. “There have been two serious motorcycles crashes, one fatal, in Plymouth County in less than two weeks. I would like to remind motorists to be aware of motorcyclists and cyclists while driving. We can all share the road responsibly and safely.”

On Saturday, at approximately 11:43 a.m., Rochester Police received a 911 call reporting a crash involving a motorcycle and SUV at the intersection of Route 58 and Route 28. Rochester Police and Wareham emergency medical services responded and located a 57 year-old male driver with serious injuries. He was medflighted to Rhode Island Hospital, where he remains with life-threatening injuries. The female driver of the SUV stopped upon impact. The investigation is ongoing by Massachusetts State Police Detectives and Rochester Police.

On April 22, Hingham Police received several 911 calls reporting a crash involving a motorcycle and a box truck at the intersection of Main Street and Middle Street. Hingham Police and Hingham emergency medical personnel responded and located the motorcycle operator suffering from serious injuries. He was transported to South Shore Hospital where he was pronounced dead. He was identified as Casey Morissette, 42, of Rumford, Maine. The male driver of the box truck was uninjured in the crash. That investigation is also ongoing by Massachusetts State Police Detectives and Hingham Police.

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