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TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS SAY SPEED CAUSED FATAL ACCIDENT

WHO: Raul Rivera (Driver)
W/M DOB 6-03-88
117 W Grapefruit Circle
Clearwater, Fla.
Vehicle: 2006 Dodge Charger

WHAT: Single Vehicle Crash/Traffic Fatality

WHEN: May 3, 2009
4:39 p.m.

WHERE: Park Place south of Drew Street
Clearwater, Fla.

WHY: Clearwater Police Traffic Investigators say the driver was traveling southbound on Park Place from Drew Street at a high rate of speed. The driver lost control on a curve in the road and struck an oak tree located in the median in between north and southbound lanes. The impact nearly split the vehicle in half. The driver was ejected from the vehicle and was pronounced dead at the scene.

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