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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: **April 25, 2012** 

### Fatal Traffic Collision – Suspect Arrested

On Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at approximately 10:00 PM, a gray Toyota Highlander was traveling east on Lincoln from Canal. The vehicle veered into opposing lanes of traffic and collided head-on into a white Honda Civic that was traveling west on Lincoln from Tustin. The male adult passenger in the Honda, 49-year-old Charles Bayes, died at the scene. The female adult driver had to be extricated by fire personnel and was taken to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries. The male adult driver of the Toyota was taken to a local hospital also with non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the Highlander, Lloyd Mardel Cotton Jr. (DOB: 1-8-85), was subsequently arrested for Gross Vehicular Manslaughter While Intoxicated.

Anyone with information about the collision is asked to call traffic investigators at 714-744-7460.