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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order:
Oregon State Police Records
DOJ File No.: 257001-GA0062-16

Dear Ms. Bottomly:

This letter is the Attorney General's order on your April 18, 2016, petition for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.410 to 192.505. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Oregon State Police (OSP) to provide you with the following records:

> Any document including the name of the deceased 14-year-old in the April 6, 2016, auto crash in Yamhill County . . . .

The Public Records Law confers a right to inspect any public record of a public body in Oregon, subject to certain exemptions and limitations. *See* ORS 192.420. Any person denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of a public record of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to review the record and determine if it may be withheld. ORS 192.450(1). The Attorney General may order a state agency to disclose records only when the agency has denied a request for records. ORS 192.450(1).

We have spoken with Erin Redding at OSP; she advised us that OSP will disclose the requested record to you because the deceased's name has already become publicly available on at least one news website. We therefore deny your petition for disclosure of this record as moot.

Sincerely,

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