## North Plainfield Police Department Press Release: March 29, 2020

## Chief William Parenti

North Plainfield Police Chief William Parenti announced that the North Plainfield Police Department, in conjunction with the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office Collision Analysis Reconstruction Team, is investigating a fatal motor vehicle accident in the borough. At 9:54 PM, the North Plainfield Police Department was notified of a motor vehicle accident involving a pedestrian on Route 22 at West End Ave., North Plainfield. Responding police units found that a pedestrian, had been struck on the highway and suffered fatal injuries.

It appears that the pedestrian was traveling across the highway from North to South and was struck by a vehicle traveling east.

Driver: Joseph F Mallare, Elizabeth, NJ Age 54.

Pedestrian: Franklin Caiza, North Plainfield, NJ Age 33.

The North Plainfield Fire Department and JFK Paramedics responded. Chief Parenti said the investigation is still active and on-going. Chief Parenti urges anyone with information to contact the North Plainfield Police Department at 908-769-2937, and request to speak to Traffic Safety Sergeant Kardos or Detective Rogers, or the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office Tips Line at 1-888-577-8477.