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Hudson County Sheriff Frank Schillari on Critical Accident on Port Imperial Blvd., in Weehawken

JERSEY CITY, NJ - Statement from Hudson County Sheriff Frank X. Schillari regarding critical motor vehicle accident which occurred today on Port Imperial Blvd., in Weehawken.

"At approximately 2:00 PM Weehawken Police and the Hudson County Sheriff's Office responded to Port Imperial Blvd., just south of Pershing Road in Weehawken on a call of a vehicular accident.

A red Ford Mustang, driven by **Gino DelCollo**, 18, of North Bergen was headed North on Port Imperial Blvd., when it collided head-on with a Mercedes Benz SUV, which was headed South. The impact caused the Mercedes Benz SUV to overturn.

DelCollo was seriously injured and was taken to the Jersey City Medical Center by Jersey City EMS.

The driver of the Mercedes Benz, Mohammed Maqbel, age 34, his wife Kadeer Maqbel, 25, and their two sons ages 5 and 1, all of Fairview, were taken to Hoboken University Hospital with injuries classified as minor.

Witnesses to the crash have told Sheriff's Crash Investigators that the Mustang was driving recklessly and at a high rate of speed, driving in the center painted median to pass stopped traffic.

Crash investigators have determined that Mustang then drifted into the southbound lanes striking the Mercedes Benz.

While being transported to Jersey City Medical Center, narcotics were found on Mr. **DelCollo**.

Mr. **DelCollo** has been charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance and the crash still remains under investigation."

Hudson County Sheriff Frank X. Schillari