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## Man Arraigned for Drunk Driving Causing Death

Mount Clemens, MI - A 44 year old Mussey, MI man was arraigned today in Shelby District Court in connection with a drunk driving crash.

It is alleged that on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, Victor Aguinaga was driving his Chevy Tahoe westbound on 23 Mile Rd. in Shelby Twp near Sabrina Dr. when he crossed over into eastbound traffic hitting a Kia Sorento. The victim in the Kia was pronounced dead at the scene.

Aguinaga is charged with Operating While Intoxicated Causing Death (15 Year Felony,) Driving While License Suspended Causing Death (15 Year Felony,) Possession of a Controlled Substance less than 25g (Four Year Felony,) and Open Intoxicants (90 Day Misdemeanor.)

Aguinaga was arraigned this afternoon in front of 41A Shelby Township District Court Magistrate Jim Verploeg. Magistrate Verploeg set bond at \$500,000.00 cash/surety with drug and alcohol testing and wearing a tether upon release.

The probable cause hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 1:30 pm and the preliminary exam is scheduled for Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 3:00 pm in front of Shelby Twp. District Court Judge Douglas Shepherd.

“When an impaired driver causes a fatal traffic accident, it is a senseless and preventable tragedy. Innocent lives are lost, families are shattered and communities are left to grieve. As a prosecutor, it is my duty to hold the responsible party accountable for his actions and seek justice for the victims and their loved ones, said Macomb County Prosecutor Peter J. Lucido.

The Macomb County Prosecutor’s office represents the people. We are committed to achieving justice and following the laws of the State of Michigan. All that are accused of a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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