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Arrest Made in University Heights Fatal Hit & Run

San Diego – On June 10th, at 8:46 p.m., 47-year-old Joshua Gilliland, was crossing in a marked crosswalk at the three-way intersection of El Cajon Boulevard, Park Boulevard, and Normal Street in the University Heights neighborhood of San Diego. While crossing, a vehicle traveling eastbound on Normal Street, failed to stop at the red signal light and struck Gilliland as he was crossing. After the collision, the vehicle fled the scene. Joshua Gilliland sustained serious injuries and was transported to the hospital. On June 14th, Gilliland died from his injuries sustained in the collision.

After an extensive investigation, San Diego Police Department Traffic Investigators identified the suspect vehicle as a 2022 BMW and the driver as 37-year-old Brandon Allen Janik of San Diego. On September 5, 2023, at 9:27 a.m., Brandon Janik was contacted and arrested at 3800 7th Avenue in San Diego. Janik was booked into County Jail for numerous charges including murder, gross vehicular manslaughter, felony hit and run and felony DUI.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is asked to call the San Diego Police Department at 619-531-2000, or the anonymous Crime Stoppers tip line at 888-580-8477.

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