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### **Media Release**

#### **Trooper Struck and Injured While Investigating Separate 3-Vehicle Crash in Reno**

This evening at approximately 6:52 pm, troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a three-car non-injury collision that was blocking two northbound lanes of US 395 near the Moana Lane interchange. Although the motorists involved in that collision were uninjured, two of the involved vehicles were disabled and two trucks were responding to the scene. In an effort to protect the accident scene and the involved motorists from any further mishaps, troopers temporarily closed the two northbound left travel lanes and were utilizing the overhead emergency lights on their vehicles to notify other approaching northbound motorists of the short term-lane closure.

At approximately 7:16 pm, Trooper Steve Moore, a 19-year veteran, was standing near the inside shoulder area adjacent to the left side of another parked patrol car that was occupied by Trooper Chris Brown. Trooper Moore stated he was handing Trooper Brown a clipboard with attached paperwork when he saw an approaching vehicle driving northbound near the inside shoulder. The errant driver did not appear to be able to stop her car safely behind the parked NHP cruiser. Her vehicle continued traveling between the inside cement barrier wall and the left side of the parked patrol car. The right front of her vehicle struck the left open door of Trooper Brown's patrol unit forcing it to strike Trooper Moore as he was trying to remove himself from being hit. The force of the collision caused Trooper Moore to travel onto the hood of the patrol car. He sustained injuries and was transported by REMSA personnel to Renown Regional Medical Center. After almost completely removing the left door of the parked NHP vehicle, the errant driver finally stopped her vehicle after striking the rear of one of the 3 involved vehicles of the earlier crash. The errant driver, Trooper Brown and the other involved motorists were not injured.

The Reno Police Department was dispatched to the scene and will be investigating the crash involving the damage to our patrol car and the other vehicles involved in this bizarre and unusual sequence of events.

Trooper Moore was treated for his injuries and was released from the hospital around 9:30 pm this evening.

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