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SPEEDING IS AGGRESSIVE DRIVING AND IT STOPS HERE

*Realistic Pedestrian Crash Demonstration Shows
Life-or-Death Effects of Speed on Stopping Distances*

WHAT: *Lifelike demonstration showing how speeding endangers everyone, especially pedestrians. A pedestrian may be unharmed when a vehicle brakes at 25 mph, may sustain life-threatening injuries at 35 mph and may be killed at 40 mph.*

- Law enforcement efforts to combat aggressive driving
- 2008 data on regional crashes and fatalities involving speed and pedestrians



WHY: *Baltimore is the deadliest city in Maryland for aggressive drivers and pedestrians.*

- In 2008, the highest percentage of **fatal aggressive driving crashes** (25 percent) in the state occurred in Baltimore.
- Baltimore had 31 percent of the state's **total pedestrian crashes**, the highest in 2008.

Click to see video of "Bobby," a dummy representing a 10-year-old, being struck during demonstration trial run.

WHO: *Speakers*

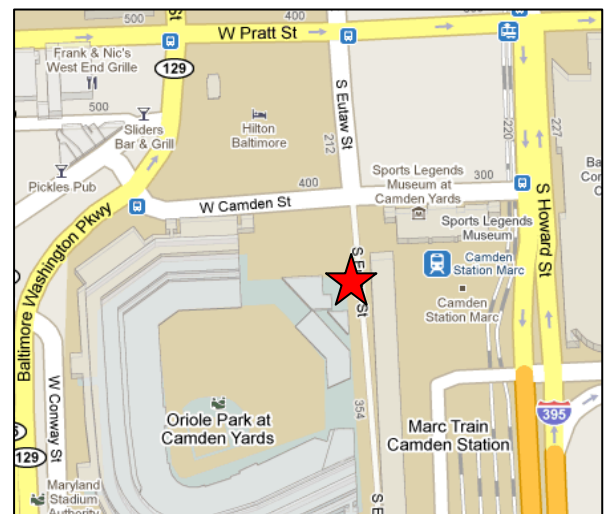
- **Lieutenant Colonel Michael Andrew**, *Commander of Special Operations, Baltimore City Police Department*
- **John Kuo**, *Administrator, Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration*
- **Larry Klimovitz**, *Executive Director, Baltimore Metropolitan Council*
- **Vernon Betkey**, *Director, Maryland State Highway Administration's Highway Safety Office*
- **Alfred H. Foxx**, *Director, Baltimore City Department of Transportation*
- **Thomas J. Gianni**, *Deputy Chief, Maryland State Highway Administration's Highway Safety Office*

**SPANISH MEDIA NOTE: A Spanish-speaking officer will be available for interviews*

WHEN: **Thursday, July 8, 2010, 10:30 am**

WHERE: Intersection of W Camden St and S Eutaw St, Baltimore, MD 21201
**Site Finder:* In front of Eutaw St entrance to Orioles Park at Camden Yards

***Parking:* Street parking available on W Camden St between S Paca St and S Howard St, within road closure. Officers will assist with entry.



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