On Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at approximately 6:40 PM, a 15th District uniformed officer was transporting an adult and two juveniles to the Special Victims Unit at 300 E. Hunting Park Avenue. While stopped at the traffic light at Whitaker and Hunting Park Avenues, the officer observed a male operating a dirt bike in a reckless manner. The male's dirt bike stopped adjacent to 4210 Whitaker Avenue, and the officer stopped his patrol vehicle next to the male and his dirt bike. The officer exited his patrol vehicle and while speaking with the offender, observed the male holding the front of his waistband. The officer conducted a pat-down and felt a firearm in the male's waistband. While using his left hand to prevent the offender from pulling the weapon out, the officer drew his firearm and repeatedly directed the male not to touch the firearm. A struggle ensued as the offender attempted to pull the firearm from his waistband. The officer squeezed the trigger of his service pistol. The officer's weapon did not fire, and the officer attempted to eject the chambered (unfired) round. The male began to run as the officer cleared the unfired round and the officer discharged three rounds striking the offender. The male was transported to Temple University Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. The male's loaded semi-automatic pistol was recovered at the scene. No other injuries were reported in connection with this incident.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Information posted in the original summary reflects a preliminary understanding of what occurred at the time of the incident. This information is posted shortly after the incident and may be updated as the investigation leads to new information. The DA's Office is provided all the information from the PPD's investigation prior to their charging decision.