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Daniel Hughes Indicted for Reckless Murder

(COLUMBIANA) –Daniel Adam Hughes has been indicted for the reckless murder of Calera resident Joel Spanick, the result of a traffic fatality on July 20th, 2022 at the intersection of Highway 70 and Waterford Parkway in Calera. Hughes was indicted for Reckless Murder and Driving Under the Influence. The case was investigated by the Calera Police Department and the Shelby County Traffic Homicide Task Force. "Traffic fatalities such as this are so easily avoidable, and the consequences are so dire," said District Attorney Matt Casey. "I hope that situations like this will cause people to stop and consider before getting behind the wheel intoxicated," added Casey. If convicted, Hughes will face a range of punishment of 10 years up to life on the Murder charge and up to 12 months on the Driving Under the Influence charge. Hughes is being held in the Shelby County Jail. An initial court date has not yet been set. As with all crimes, the Defendant remains innocent until proven guilty.

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