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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **For Immediate Release**

The Mesa County Coroner's Office in cooperation with the Garfield County Coroner's Office has completed its examination regarding the death of Maureen "Mimi" Tanner, a 60 year-old female resident of Casper, Wyoming. Mrs. Tanner was one of a party of 11 female riders from Casper who were touring the northwest area of Colorado. Mrs. Tanner was in route back to Rangely, Colorado after spending the morning and afternoon in the Grand Valley. Apparently she failed to negotiate a left-hand curve on Colorado Highway 139 at Mile Marker 34.5 yesterday afternoon about 4:00. Mrs. Tanner was ejected from her Harley Davidson motorcycle and fell down an embankment with an estimated vertical drop of 100 feet. The cause of death is multiple injuries and the manner of death is Accident.

The Mesa County Coroner's Office was requested to mutual aid for the Garfield County Coroner's Office due to the geographic location of the scene and the much longer response time that the Garfield County Coroner would have required to reach the scene.

The law enforcement agency overseeing this investigation is the Colorado State Patrol. Please contact them for any further details.

Thank you