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The Mesa County Coroner's Office has completed its examination regarding the deaths of the two men involved in yesterday's incidents on 8th St. and Grand Ave and 10th St. and Gunnison Ave, which were connected. Preston Ellis was a 57 year-old male resident of Grand Junction, CO who died from multiple injuries when he was involved in the multivehicle crash at 8th and Grand Ave.

The multivehicle crash also involved David Gaines a 17 year-old male resident of Grand Junction, CO. The cause of death of Mr. Gaines is gunshot wounds and the manner of death is homicide.

The law enforcement agency overseeing this investigation is the Critical Incident Response Team. Please contact them for any further details regarding this case.

Thank you,

Victor Yahn, Chief Deputy Coroner