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RCMP officer charged with driving offence following IIU investigation in Winnipeg

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has concluded its investigation into a motor vehicle collision resulting in serious injuries that occurred at the intersection of Inkster Boulevard and Keewatin Street in Winnipeg on Aug. 1, 2023.

According to the notification, a Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) officer was attempting to complete a traffic stop when a vehicle sped away. The officer observed the vehicle continue eastbound on Inkster Boulevard where it collided with another vehicle at the intersection of Keewatin Street. The male driver of the first vehicle and the two occupants of the second vehicle were taken to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg for examination. As a result of the serious injuries sustained, the IIU was mandated to investigate.

The Crown has reviewed the evidence of the investigation and has concluded the officer's attempt at pulling over a speeder resulted in a pursuit with speeds of 200 kilometres per hour through a residential area. These speeds, coupled with the fact the officer did not make any attempt to mitigate the inherent risks of the pursuit, thus failing to comply with police policy, resulted in her not complying with Sec. 106(4) of the Highway Traffic Act. As a result, RCMP Const. Laurie Krulicki has been charged with failure to drive with due regard to safety.

The IIU issued a news release on July 4, 2023, advising it had launched an investigation into the incident.

As this matter is now before the courts, the IIU will not comment further.

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