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****SFMTA Statement on Death of Muni Operator****

Agency grieves for colleague who died on duty

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency today released this statement in response to the tragic death of a Muni colleague

Shortly after 5 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29, an operator on the 24 Divisadero route, Antonio Cahilig, fell severely ill while heading northbound on Noe Street. The vehicle hit nearby parked cars. No customers were on board and no other injuries have been reported.

Mr. Cahilig was transported to San Francisco Zuckerberg General Hospital where he died.

“The SFMTA family are grief-stricken at the loss of Antonio,” said Director of Transportation Jeffrey Tumlin. “On behalf of all the staff at the SFMTA, I extend my deepest condolences to Antonio’s family and friends. His dedication, and that of all our customer-facing, essential workers, is the pride of our agency.”

Mr. Cahilig was an operator at the Muni Presidio Division and had just reached his 19th anniversary as a Muni operator earlier this month.

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