## **Brown Family Statement (July 1, 2016):**

On May 7, 2016, Joshua Brown (40) of Canton, Ohio, was killed in a motor vehicle crash in Williston, Florida, caused by a semi tractor-trailer which crossed a divided highway and caused the fatal collision with Josh's Tesla. Josh was a master Explosive Ordinance Disposal (EOD) technician in the US Navy, an exceptional citizen, and a successful entrepreneur. He was a proud member of the Navy's elite Naval Special Warfare Development Group (NSWDG). Most importantly, he was a loving son and brother.

There has been considerable media speculation since Tesla provided the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) with data indicating that the Tesla autopilot system was activated at the time of the crash. While the public's fascination with this new technology is understandable, the grief which Josh's family continues to endure is personal and private. Accordingly, the Brown family requests that all communications on this matter be directed to their attorneys Jack Landskroner and Paul Grieco of Landskroner Grieco Merriman.

The investigation into the cause of this crash is ongoing. In honor of Josh's life and passion for technological advancement, the Brown family is committed to cooperating in these efforts and hopes that information learned from this tragedy will trigger further innovation which enhances the safety of everyone on the roadways.

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