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## MCSO PARMA MISSING PERSON CASE BEING TREATED AS A MURDER INVESTIGATION: SKELETAL REMAINS DISCOVERED IN FIRE PIT ON WILLIAM MASON'S PROPERTY

Anyone with Additional Information on Mr. Mason's Disappearance Urged to Call 911 or MCSO Tip Line: 585-753-4175

**Parma, NY (June 18, 2021)** - On May 26, 2021, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office responded to 5465 West Ridge Road Parma for a missing person investigation. William C. Mason, the 69 year old homeowner and resident of the home, was last seen on May 25, 2021 at that location.

Beginning May 27, 2021, members of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, multiple local fire departments, the Livingston County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit and the Massasauga Search and Rescue Team began a coordinated and exhaustive search of the property and surrounding area in an effort to locate Mr. Mason. The Monroe County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Section also became involved in the investigation and began tracking and developing leads. The investigation led to the execution of a number of search warrants, including a search warrant at 592 Trimmer Road and the West Ridge Road address, which was being held for an extended period of time.

As a result of the investigation to date, MCSO is treating this case as a murder investigation as skeletal remains, presumed to be human bones, were discovered in a fire pit located on Mr. Mason's property. The Sheriff's Office is currently working with the Monroe County Medical Examiner's Office and the Monroe County Crime Lab to identify the remains.

"I continue to be impressed by the attention to detail and endurance our investigators and deputies have displayed throughout this investigation," said Monroe County Sheriff Todd K. Baxter. "The thoroughness and dedication of those working this investigation will ensure we leave no stone unturned."



We are grateful for the tenacity of our MCSO investigators, deputies, Special Services Group, Drone team, SCUBA team, Warrant/Tac Units, and Victim Assistance advocates. We are also appreciative of the multiple local fire departments, especially the Spencerport Fire Dept., the Monroe County Department of Public Safety, Monroe County Fire Special Operations Unit, and the community for providing tips and information to aid in this investigation.

The Monroe County Sheriff's Office continues to urge anyone with additional information on Mr. Mason's disappearance to call 911 or the MCSO Tip Line: (585) 753-4175.

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