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Inmate Death at FCI Milan

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Saturday, April 11, 2020, inmate Willie Peterson went into respiratory failure at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) in Milan, Michigan. He was evaluated by institutional medical staff and transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. Mr. Peterson tested positive for COVID-19 at FCI Milan prior to being escorted to the local hospital. On Saturday, April 11, 2020, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Thursday, April 30, 2020, Mr. Peterson, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Peterson was a 51 year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of West Virginia to a 97-month sentence for Conspiracy to Distribute 100 Grams or More of Heroin and a Quantity of Fentanyl. He had been in custody at FCI Milan since March 13, 2019.

FCI Milan is a Low security facility that currently houses 1,430 male offenders.

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