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Pedestrian Struck

GASTONIA, N.C. – Oct. 9, 2019 – A pedestrian was struck by a pickup truck today and taken to the hospital with serious injuries. The incident occurred at Bessemer City Road and North Myrtle School Road at 6:31 a.m. today.

Terry Lovell of Kings Mountain was driving south on Bessemer City Road in a 1997 Ford truck when the pedestrian, Mason Burwell Leeper Jr., 62 of Gastonia, was struck. Mr. Leeper was transported to CaroMont Regional Medical Center and then flown to Carolinas Medical Center Main in Charlotte.

The Gastonia Police Department Traffic Unit is investigating. Anyone who witnessed the incident is asked to call Officer J.B. Lefevers at 704-842-5167.

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