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BRONX MAN INDICTED FOR FATAL HIT AND RUN **Defendant Reported Vehicle Stolen After Crash**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been indicted for Criminally Negligent Homicide and other charges after a deadly crash on East Fordham Road last summer.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendant’s alleged reckless actions led to the death of a woman and injuring of a second woman. Instead of staying on scene to help and take responsibility for his actions the defendant allegedly fled and then falsely claimed his car was stolen to obtain financial compensation.”

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Demoy Adams, 35, of Spencer Avenue in the Riverdale section of the Bronx, was arraigned today on Leaving the Scene of an Incident without Reporting, third-degree Insurance Fraud, Criminally Negligent Homicide, fourth-degree Insurance Fraud, third degree Grand Larceny, two charges of first-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, two counts of second-degree Offering a False Instrument for Filing, Leaving the Scene without Reporting, third-degree Assault, Reckless Driving, and fifth-degree Insurance Fraud before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Marsha Michael. The defendant is due back in court on March 8, 2022.

According to the investigation, on August 28, 2021, at approximately 8:42 p.m. Adams was driving his BMW 5 Series on East Fordham Road near Morris Avenue. Video surveillance showed his vehicle weaving through traffic recklessly and overtaking the curb before striking Murielle Gousse, who was standing on a sidewalk. She was killed in the crash. A pedestrian who was standing near Gousse was struck by debris and injured.

Adams was captured on surveillance video near his home hours after the crash. His car was tracked to New Jersey auto repair shop and recovered. The investigation then found the defendant reported his vehicle stolen to the NYPD and his insurance company, despite it being recovered and in NYPD custody.

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The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Katerina Kurteva of Trial Bureau 70, under the supervision of Jeffrey Kimelman, Chief of the Vehicular Crimes Unit, and Jessica Lupo, Deputy Chief of Trial Bureau 70, under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked and Jamece Hill, Trial Preparation Assistant of the Vehicular Crimes Unit for assistance in the investigation. District Attorney Clark also thanked Peter Kennedy, Chief of the Technical Investigation Bureau; as well as Selena Ley and Oladimeji Gbolade, of the Technical Investigation Bureau, for their assistance in the investigation. District Attorney Clark also thanked NYPD Office Gregory Gianacopulos from Highway District Collision Investigation Squad.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

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