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**BRONX MAN INDICTED FOR VEHICULAR MANSLAUGHTER
IN KILLING OF 67-YEAR-OLD MAN
Defendant Was Allegedly Speeding, Driving While Impaired on Marijuana
and With Suspended License**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been indicted for Vehicular Manslaughter, Criminally Negligent Homicide and other related charges for fatally striking a 67-year-old man with his speeding car as the victim crossed an intersection in Castle Hill.

District Attorney Clark said, "An elderly man on his way to pray at religious services was killed, allegedly by a driver impaired by marijuana and speeding through an intersection. Negligent, reckless drivers who make our streets deadly will be held accountable."

District Attorney Clark said Victor Ramos, 27, of Randall Avenue, the Bronx, was arraigned on October 18, 2023 on second-degree Vehicular Manslaughter, Criminally Negligent Homicide, Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs, second and third-degree Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and Administrative Code Violation Right of Way and Vehicle and Traffic Law Drivers to Exercise Due Care, before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Kim Parker. The defendant is due back in court on December 19, 2023.

According to the investigation, on September 25, 2023, at approximately 9 p.m. at the intersection of Castle Hill Avenue and Turnbull Avenue, a 1994 Infiniti driven by Victor Ramos at almost twice the speed limit, struck Mohammed Rahman, 67, who was crossing Castle Hill Avenue within the unmarked crosswalk with the right of way. Rahman was propelled into the air by the impact and sustained fatal injuries. The defendant remained on scene and was found to be impaired by drugs, to wit, cannabis (marijuana), and he admitted to smoking a blunt before driving. A check of defendant's license showed he had active suspensions.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Thomas Moszczynski of Trial Bureau 40, under the supervision of Jeffrey Kimelman, Chief of the Vehicular Crimes Unit, and Michelle Villaverde, Deputy Chief of Trial Bureau 40, and Aaron Kaplan, Chief of Trial Bureau 40, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and



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Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Division Counsel Meredith Holtzman and Trial Preparation Assistants Jamece Hill of the Vehicular Crimes Unit and Rebecca Klestzick of Trial Bureau 40, and Crime Victims Advocate Brandon Leonard for their assistance in the case.

District Attorney Clark thanked Detective Kevin Long of the NYPD Collision Investigation Squad for his work in the investigation.

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

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