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MAN CHARGED WITH VEHICULAR HOMICIDE IN WOMAN'S DEATH

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has charged a man today in connection with a fatal car accident that occurred last week near East 26th Avenue and Magnolia, killing a 45-year-old woman.

Cesar Acosta-Castillo (12-20-77) is charged with *vehicular homicide* (F3), *reckless driving* (F1), *driving under the influence* (MT1), *leaving the scene of an accident* (M) and *no operator's license* (MT2).

The charges allege that on September 9, 2009, Acosta-Castillo was driving drunk when he struck a vehicle near Monaco Parkway and 22nd Avenue, then failed to stop after the accident and eventually collided with a car driven by Leah Miller, who later died as the result of injuries sustained in the crash.

Acosta-Castillo remains in custody in the Denver County Jail. His bond is set at \$50,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 9 a.m. to be formally advised of the charges.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. *See Colo. RPC 3.6*

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