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MAN CHARGED IN TRAFFIC STOP CRASH

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a 22-year-old man in connection with a crash that injured a Denver police officer on Monday.

Nicholas Herrera (dob: 06-14-89) is charged today with one count of vehicular assault (F4).

The charge alleges that Herrera was driving drunk on February 27, 2012 at about 1:15 a.m. when he crashed into a patrol car that pinned a Denver police officer between the patrol car and a vehicle she had pulled over for a traffic stop. The crash occurred in the 400 block of west Colfax Avenue.

Herrera has been released from custody on a \$50,000 bond. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on March 13, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. to be formally advised of the charge.

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