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PAULO CANO PLEADS GUILTY TO FELONY HIT AND RUN

On January 24, 2020, Paulo Cano pled guilty to Hit and Run, a Felony violation of Vehicle Code section 20001(b)(2).

On June 14, 2019, at approximately 9:00 p.m., Cano hit Jane Doe* who was walking across Olive Avenue in the City of Madera. Cano did not stop after this collision and drove away in his car. Jane Doe was injured as a result of this collision and continues to suffer the effects of being struck by Cano's car.

The Madera Police Department conducted an investigation and determined that Cano was the person who ran into Jane Doe. When questioned by Detectives, Cano indicated that he did not know that he had hit Jane Doe and believed that he had hit a pole.

This tragic accident is a reminder that traffic collisions can be devastating to those involved and that all should exercise care when driving a motor vehicle and when walking on or near roadways. This is especially true at this time of year when visibility can be low due to lighting conditions and fog.

Cano will be sentenced to up to three years of felony probation for leaving the scene of this collision. According to a rule of court, that conduct is all that will be considered for purpose of his sentence. His sentencing will take place on March 13, 2020, in Department 22 of the Madera County Superior Court.

*Pseudonyms are used to protect the identities of minor victims in accordance with the law