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Mother Sentenced for Leaving 6-Year-Old Son at Union Station

A Walnut Creek woman has been sentenced for child endangerment after she abandoned her 6-year-old son at Union Station last July, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Dava Denise Webster (dob 11/14/86) pleaded no contest yesterday to one count of felony child endangerment in case BA469390. Webster was immediately sentenced by Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Gustavo Sztraicher to four years of formal probation and was ordered to complete 562 days in county jail with credit time served.

Under the terms of the negotiated plea agreement, she also is required to attend 52 weeks of child abuse counseling and obey the Los Angeles County Probation Department's recommendation on a mental health program. A protective order for the victim also was issued.

Deputy District Attorney Irene Lee of the Family Violence Division prosecuted the case.

On July 4, 2018, Webster was with her son at Union Station in downtown Los Angeles when she left him alone at the train depot. The boy was found by a security guard. Webster was arrested the next day when she returned to the station.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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