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**Massage Therapist Pleads to Killing Patient
in Illegal Cosmetic Procedure**

A massage therapist accused of performing an illegal buttocks enhancement on a woman who later died pleaded no contest today to one count of involuntary manslaughter, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Lee Cernok said Sandra Yaneth Pérez-González, 48, was immediately sentenced to three years in jail.

Hamilet Suarez, 36, died after undergoing the cosmetic work at a Long Beach beauty salon on Feb. 12, 2014, the prosecutor said. Pérez-González, who is not a licensed doctor, performed the procedure.

The defendant advertised various cosmetic procedures such as buttocks and lip enhancements and "vampire facelifts." She had previously performed a similar procedure on the victim's family member, the prosecutor added.

Case NA105844 was investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

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