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Father Charged with DUI Crash That Injured Daughter

An Inglewood father was charged today with DUI and child abuse for a crash that injured his 10-year-old daughter, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Gil Paul Hernandez (dob 3/2/62) faces one felony count each of driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage causing injury, driving with a .08 percent or more blood alcohol content causing injury and child abuse.

Case YA097022 includes an allegation for all three charges that Hernandez personally inflicted great bodily injury in the commission of the offenses.

The defendant pleaded not guilty today and is scheduled to return on Oct. 25 in Department 4 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Torrance Branch.

On Oct. 6, Hernandez was driving near 182nd Street and Prairie Avenue in Torrance when he allegedly crashed into two vehicles, prosecutors said. The defendant's daughter was in the passenger seat and was severely injured, prosecutors added.

If convicted as charged, Hernandez faces a possible maximum sentence of nine years in state prison. Bail is set at \$100,000.

The case remains under investigation by the Torrance Police Department.

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