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## Man Charged with Killing 77-Year-Old Woman in Hit-and-Run

A man has been charged with fatally hitting a 77-year-old woman with his vehicle and then fleeing last month in South Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Brandon Rosendo Mazariego (dob 4/2/93) of South Los Angeles was charged with one felony count of hit-and-run driving resulting in death to another person in case BA472974. The charge includes allegations of a prior felony conviction.

The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. The case was filed on Nov. 19.

On Nov. 13, Mazariego was allegedly driving an SUV on Budlong Avenue and turned onto West 28<sup>th</sup> Street, where he is accused of striking Maria Asuncion Reynoso with his vehicle, said Deputy District Attorney Jane Brownstone. He allegedly made no effort to stop and continued driving, the prosecutor said.

The victim, who lived a few blocks away, died of her injuries. Mazariego was arrested two days later.

He faces a possible maximum sentence of eight years in state prison if convicted as charged. The prosecutor is recommending that bail be set at \$125,000.

Mazariego was convicted in October 2016 of one felony count of first-degree burglary, person present, according to the criminal complaint.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department, South Traffic Division.

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