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Felony DWI Arrest – Leandra’s Law

Mamaroneck, NY - On 06/19/2021 at approximately 10:13 pm, a 911 call was received reporting a motor vehicle accident near Jensen Avenue and Keeler Avenue. Officers arrived on scene and after an investigation, determined the accident had occurred in the area of East Boston Post Rd and North Barry Avenue. Upon interviewing one of the drivers, officers observed signs of alcohol intoxication and conducted a DWI investigation. Upon completion of the investigation, the driver, Sylvia Cortez, a 40-year-old resident of the Bronx, was placed under arrest. At the time of the accident, Cortez was operating the vehicle with her 9-month-old child in the car.

Cortez was charged with: Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated (person less than 15 years of age in vehicle) an *E Felony*, Endangering the Welfare of a Child, an *A Misdemeanor*, and Leaving the Scene of a Motor Vehicle Accident (property damage only), a *violation*. The listed charges are not bail eligible and Cortez was released on her own recognizance pending a future court date.

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