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TRAFFIC CRASH UPDATE

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Jupiter, Florida – On Monday, December 19, 2011, at 5:54 PM, members of the Jupiter Police Department responded to a traffic crash with injuries that occurred near the intersection of Indiantown Road and Central Boulevard. Preliminary investigation determined an elderly female was walking across the southbound lanes of Central Boulevard (17000 block) when she was struck by a dark colored SUV, which left the area.

The female, later identified as Eunice Dekiel (94 y.o.a.), was transported to St. Mary's Hospital, via Trauma Hawk, with life threatening injuries. On January 22, 2012, Ms. Dekiel died while in the care of Hospice due to the injuries she sustained during this incident.

Investigators believe, based on evidence and video obtained, that the vehicle is a 2002-2009 GMC Envoy. The vehicle is dark in color, and should have sustained front end damage. Video indicates the vehicle is equipped with a roof rack, and trimmed in chrome.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Jupiter Police Department (561)746-6201 or Palm Beach County Crime Stoppers' anonymous "TIP" phone number, 1-800-458-TIPS (8477).

Included in this press release is a photograph of a similar vehicle, as well as a still photograph of the suspect vehicle.



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