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Annadale Resident Indicted for Manslaughter & Reckless Endangerment for Running Over Man in Dunkin' Donuts Parking Lot

******Ronald D'Angelo, 28, Indicted for Actions in August 16th Incident Which Resulted in the
Death of 29 y/o Tottenville Man ******

STATEN ISLAND, NY – Richmond County District Attorney Daniel M Donovan, Jr. announced today the filing of a Grand Jury indictment of Ronald D'Angelo (DOB: 10/18/1976) of Annadale Road, Staten Island, on charges of Manslaughter in the 2nd degree and Reckless Endangerment in the 1st degree.

On the evening of Tuesday, August 16, 2005, the defendant is alleged to have struck Matthew Ducatelli, 29, of Tottenville with his silver 2004 Dodge Durango, in the parking lot of a Dunkin' Donuts located at 901 Huguenot Avenue. Ducatelli died of his injuries on August 22, 2005. The incident is alleged to have occurred following a verbal altercation between the victim and defendant earlier in the evening. The defendant is alleged to have entered the parking lot in his vehicle proceeding at an excessive speed, narrowly missing at least one parked car prior to striking the victim.

District Attorney Donovan stated, "By the actions alleged in this indictment, Ronald D'Angelo, recklessly operated a large sports utility vehicle that claimed the life of Matthew Ducatelli and endangered numerous lives in that parking lot and on the nearby streets."

If convicted of the top count of the indictment, Manslaughter in the 2nd degree, a C felony, the defendant faces a maximum of 15 year in prison. Reckless Endangerment in the 1st degree, a D felony, carries a top penalty of 7 years in prison.

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Assistant District Attorney Mark Palladino will be prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorney Mario Mattei, Chief of the Investigations Bureau. The defendant is represented by George Vomvolakis , Esq.

He is scheduled to be arraigned Wednesday, September 14th, 2005 in State Supreme Court in St. George.

The public is reminded that an indictment is merely an accusation, and that a defendant is innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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