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PRESS RELEASE

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Fatal Collision

Location of Incident: South Somerton Avenue & West County 8th Street – Yuma, AZ

On Sunday, March 11, 2018 at approximately 6:30 a.m., the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a single vehicle rollover in the area of South Somerton Avenue and West County 8th Street.

The initial investigation revealed that a white 2003 Kia Sedan was traveling northbound on Somerton Avenue approaching County 8th Street. The driver failed to negotiate the curve and ran off the left (west) side of the road. The vehicle struck a small embankment, which caused the vehicle to roll and come to rest on its roof.

The Yuma County Sheriff's Office Critical Accident Response Team responded to the scene and assumed the investigation.

The driver of the Kia, Maryah Gonzalez, 19, of Somerton, sustained a fatal injury and was pronounced deceased at the scene. Next of kin notification has been made.

This case is pending further investigation. Alcohol appears to be a contributing factor.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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