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PRESS RELEASE

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Drunk Driver Arrested After Fleeing Collision and Endangering Child

Pacifica CA- On Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at approximately 12:30 PM, officers from the Pacifica Police Department responded to the area of Linda Mar Boulevard and Peralta Way on the report of a traffic collision. Officers arriving on scene discovered crash debris as well as a damaged light pole. Witnesses reported that the vehicle involved in the collision, a silver Honda sedan, had fled east on Linda Mar Boulevard and was possibly on Adobe Drive. Officers responded to the area and located a silver Honda Accord in the 1400 block of Adobe Drive and conducted an enforcement stop. Officers found the Honda had damage to the right front bumper and wheel area.

Officers made contact with the driver who was identified as Pacifica resident Matthew Smith. Also, in the vehicle was a three year old child later determined to be Smith's daughter. Officers observed Smith exhibiting several objective symptoms of intoxication. During a DUI investigation it was determined that Smith had consumed alcohol prior to picking his daughter up from daycare. Smith was placed through a series of field sobriety tests and was subsequently arrested for the following charges:

23152(a) CVC (Driving under the influence of alcohol), 273(a) PC (Child endangerment)
20002(a) CVC (Hit and run)

The child was evaluated by the Pacifica Fire Department. The child did not sustain any injuries during this incident.

Refer to PPD Case# 16-3400 for further information.

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