COUNTY OF FRESNO



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MURDER CHARGE FILED AGAINST KARMJIT SINGH FOR SATURDAY NIGHT'S DEATH OF EIGHT-YEAR-OLD CHILD

Karmjit Singh (35, of Visalia) has been charged in a Felony Complaint with the crime of murder related to Saturday night's death of an eight-year-old boy, the Fresno County District Attorney's Office has announced. It is alleged that the defendant was driving the vehicle that struck another vehicle that was being driven by the parents of the child at the intersection of Bethel and Rose Avenues outside of the City of Selma.

The Complaint alleges that Mr. Singh committed the crimes of:

- 1.) Murder [P.C. § 187(a)]; and
- 2.) Driving while Privilege Suspended for Prior DUI Conviction [V.C. § 14601.2(a)].

If convicted of the charges, Mr. Singh faces a sentence of up to fifteen (15) years-to-life in custody. However, upon reaching age 60 and after serving 25 years, the defendant will be eligible for release under the Elderly Parole Program.

Mr. Singh was originally arrested on Sunday morning by officers from the California Highway Patrol. He was rearrested this evening on the charge of murder, and is in the process of being booked into the Fresno County Jail. The court date for his Arraignment is currently being scheduled, and is unknown at this time.

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