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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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doubt under the United States Constitution.*

The 18-year-old passenger hospitalized in the head-on crash involving a pickup truck and a SUV on Union Street in Braintree on December 1, 2024 has succumbed to her injuries, Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey said Wednesday, December 11, 2024.

Alexia Nixon of Weymouth passed away at Boston Medical Center Tuesday night, according to Morrissey.

She was a passenger in a SUV struck by an alleged drunken driver around 12:50 a.m. on December 1 near 655 Union Street. The 18-year-old driver of the SUV and another passenger in his vehicle were hospitalized with serious but not life-threatening injuries.

“The Norfolk District Attorney’s Office and Braintree Police Department extend our heartfelt condolences to Alexia’s family,” Morrissey and Braintree Police Chief Timothy Cohoon said.

The driver of the pickup, Ryan Gorman, 39, of Holbrook, who was also taken to a hospital, pleaded not guilty in his hospital bed the following day to three counts of driving under the influence of alcohol causing serious bodily injury, one count of driving negligently so as to endanger and one count of failing to drive within marked lanes.

He was released on \$5,000 cash bail.

His next court date is January 2 in Quincy District Court.

The crash remains under investigation by Massachusetts State Police, the Norfolk District Attorney’s Office and Braintree Police.