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**Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson Announces the
Indictment of a Defendant in a Vehicular Homicide That Killed an 11-Year
Old Passenger**

Defendant Anthony Pollydore Also Faces Charges Under “Leandra’s Law”

Brooklyn, NY. Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson today announced the indictment of Anthony Pollydore, 65, in the drunk driving accident that resulted in the death of his 11-year old step-son, Dylan Perry, one of three children Pollydore was transporting. Pollydore faces Vehicular Homicide charges as well as charges under “Leandra’s Law,” or the Child Passenger Protection Act that carries tougher sanctions on individuals who place a child passenger at risk while driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The other two children survived the accident.

“It is unthinkable that a parent would get behind the wheel of a car, apparently intoxicated, and put at risk the lives of his passengers who are children. Tragically, one of those children, an 11-year old little boy, lost his life. We will now hold this defendant accountable for the death of this young child and hopefully send a message to other adults to not drink and drive ever—and especially with children in the car.” said District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson.

According to documents in court, on Sunday morning on March 23, 2014, Pollydore’s vehicle skidded off the road at Eastern Parkway and Dean Street and struck a pole on the center median. Not all of the three children were wearing seatbelts; all were sitting in the back seat of the car. After the vehicle hit the pole, 11-year old Dylan, the defendant’s step-child, was hurled into the front seat and sustained severe head and neck trauma. He died at NYU Hospital one day later. The other two children survived with non-life threatening injuries.

As indicated in court documents, Defendant Pollydore was observed by the NYPD to be slurring his speech. They also smelled a strong odor of alcohol on the defendant at King County Hospital, where all passengers initially had been transported. Pollydore's blood alcohol level registered at .094 (.08 is the level for legal intoxication). This is his third DWI arrest.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

Defendant Information:

Anthony Pollydore

DOB: 03/13/49

Aggravated Vehicular Homicide

Vehicular Manslaughter I and II

Criminally Negligent Homicide

Endangering the Welfare of a Child

Leandra's Law—Child Passenger Protection Act

Reckless Driving

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