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## MAN HELD WITHOUT BAIL, DANGEROUSNESS HEARING TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY

**HINGHAM** – A man is being held without bail pending the outcome of a dangerousness hearing scheduled for Friday, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz has announced.

Today, Karl Sault, 40, of Hull, was arraigned on three counts of Aggravated Assault, two counts each of Malicious Destruction of Property, and one count each of Assault and Battery on a Family Member, Assault to Murder, Assault with a Dangerous Weapon, Simple Assault, Breaking and Entering Night Time Felony, Breaking and Entering for Misdemeanor, Kidnapping, Property Damage to Intimidate, Intimidation of a Witness, Vandalism, Disturbing the Peace, Indecent Assault and Battery On a Person 14 or over, and a Habitual Criminal Penalty Enhancement.

The charges follow an investigation by Hull Police and Massachusetts State Police into three separate incidents which occurred in Hull on January 6. At approximately 10:09 p.m. on that date, Hull Police received a 911 call for a report of a break in occurring at an auto body shop on Nantasket Avenue. The caller reported that a male had stolen a Ford F-150 truck from the shop lot. Hull Police put out a BOLO for the stolen vehicle and an officer sighted the vehicle traveling along Nantasket Avenue and consequently attempted to make a motor vehicle stop. Sault, who was allegedly driving the vehicle at the time, appeared to lose control of the vehicle and crash into a utility pole along Rockaway Avenue. Sault fled the Ford truck on foot, while officers immediately rendered medical aid to the passenger. He was pronounced dead at the scene and has been identified as Michael Peters, 52, of Hull.

Shortly after the crash occurred, Hull Police received four separate 911 calls reporting a domestic assault and home invasion occurring at 1621 Avalon Drive. This location was nearby to where the crash occurred on Rockaway Avenue. Hull Police responded and placed Sault under arrest for the assault.

In court today, Sault pleaded not guilty to the charges and was held without bail pending the outcome of a dangerousness hearing scheduled for Friday.

This remains an active and ongoing investigation by Massachusetts State Police troopers assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office, Hull Police, members of the MSP CSS and MSP-CARS Units.