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BICYCLIST CONVICTED OF ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

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On May 31, 2013, Los Angeles resident Rocky Martin was sentenced to three years formal felony probation and 30 days of community service after pleading guilty to assault with a deadly weapon. On June 24, 2012, Martin was riding his bicycle eastbound on Santa Monica Boulevard at the Third Street Promenade when he failed to stop for a red light and struck a pedestrian that was in the crosswalk. The collision resulted in the pedestrian receiving serious injuries.

The Santa Monica Police Department is committed to educating the public on traffic safety and enforcing traffic violations. During the months of April and May, motor officers issued 86 citations to bicyclists for violations that ranged from riding on the sidewalk to failing to yield for traffic signals.

To address poor driving behaviors, the Santa Monica Police Department focuses on specific violations. For the months of July through September, the police department will focus on bicycle violations.

For more information, please contact Sergeant Phillbo Rubish with the Santa Monica Police Department's Traffic Section at (310) 458-8950, or Lieutenant Jay Trisler at (310) 458-8471.