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**WICHITA, KAN.** – A man was sentenced to prison for a drunk-driving crash that killed a woman in east Wichita. District Judge Bruce Brown sentenced Jeremy Crowder, 37 of Wichita, to 60 months in prison. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, Crowder pled guilty to involuntary manslaughter while DUI and two counts of aggravated battery while DUI just before his trial was scheduled to begin.

On March 19, 2019, Crowder's southbound GMC Denali ran a red light and struck an eastbound Honda CRV at Kellogg and Webb Road. Yvonne Recchio, 57 of Wichita, was in the backseat of the Honda. She died at the scene. The driver of the Honda and another passenger, the husband of the fatality victim, were injured and taken to a hospital.

Police at the scene could smell alcohol on Crowder and gave him field sobriety evaluations. A later exam showed his blood alcohol level was more than double the legal limit.

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