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## **BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

**January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

On Saturday, January 30, 2021 deputies responded to a one-car motor vehicle accident at 4402 Watson Blvd. in the Town of Union. Upon his arrival he located a witness who stated the driver of a 2019 Kia had stuck a snowbank, went airborne and came to rest in the parking lot of 4402 Watson Blvd. the driver was identified as 34-year-old Kara Kristek. Kristek stated she was using her cellular telephone while driving, took her eyes off the roadway and crashed into the snowbank. Kristek was displaying signs of intoxication and was subsequently administered field sobriety tests which she ultimately failed. Kristek was arrested under the suspicion of driving while intoxicated. She was transported to the Sheriff's Office for further investigation. Kristek consented to a chemical test of her breath which indicated a blood alcohol content of .15%. Kristek was released on traffic tickets for the offenses listed below and directed to appear in the Town of Union Court at a later date. Her vehicle was towed from the scene.

NYS VTL Driving while intoxicated, an unclassified misdemeanor  
NYS VTL Driving with .08% or more of BAC, an unclassified misdemeanor  
NYS VTL Operating a vehicle while using a mobile phone, a traffic infraction  
NYS VTL Moved from lane unsafely, a traffic infraction