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PROSECUTOR CHARGES MALEK WILLIAMS WITH MURDER

Muncie Indiana – On today's date the Prosecuting Attorney Eric M. Hoffman formally charged Malek S. Williams (DOB 11/27/2000) with the following criminal offenses:

Count 1: Murder, a felony.

Count 2: Criminal Recklessness, a Level 6 Felony.

A firearms sentencing enhancement was also filed.

The charges are pending in the Delaware Circuit Court No. 1. The Honorable Judge Marianne L. Vorhees will set the case for an initial hearing. Copies of the charging information and Affidavit of Probable Cause that were filed with the Court are attached. The court has ordered that the defendant be held in custody without bail.

Pursuant to Indiana law:

- Murder is punishable by 45 65 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.
- A Level 6 Felony is punishable by 6 months 2.5 years in prison and up to a \$10,000 fine.
- The Firearm Enhancement can add an additional 5 20 years to the total sentence

It is important to remember that any accusation that someone has committed a crime, an arrest and/or the filing of a criminal charge is simply an allegation and is not evidence of guilt. All suspects are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt at trial. The ethical rules for prosecutors in Indiana prohibit further comment on this matter. At this time, there will be no further comment.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE FOR ARREST WITHOUT WARRANT

COMES NOW, Gage Winters, a police officer of the Muncie Police Department, and being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that the following described person was arrested, without Warrant, upon the charge(s) and circumstances hereinafter stated, and makes this affidavit for the purpose of establishing probable cause for said arrest.

Case Report # 22-29489

NAME OF ARRESTEE: Malek S. Williams

D.O.B.:11/27/2000

ADDRESS OF ARRESTEE: 615 W Charles St. Apt B2 Muncie, IN 47305

DATE OF ARREST: 08/20/2022 TIME OF ARREST: 5:12 PM

CHARGE 1 Murder, a Felony

DATE: 8/20/2022

CHARGE 2 Criminal Recklessness w/deadly weapon, a Level 6 Felony

The basis and reasons why this officer believes that said Arrestee committed the aforesaid offense (s) are as follows:

On 08/20/2022 at approximately 12:40 AM, Members of the Muncie Police Department responded to the area of W University Ave. and N Dill St. on reports of a shooting. Officers located Que'Aundre Johnson suffering from multiple gunshot wounds at the Marathon Gas station, 1524 W University Ave. Johnson was transported to IU Ball Memorial Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries.

Members of the Muncie Police Department were able to obtain surveillance video from the Village Promenade, Brother's Bar & Grill, and Marathon Gas station. The surveillance footage from the Village Promenade shows the area of the main entrance to Brother's Bar & Grill, as well as part of W University Ave. Que'Aundre Johnson can be observed in the surveillance video wearing a red Nike hooded sweatshirt, black shorts, and white shoes. Que'Aundre Johnson can be observed walking west towards the entrance of Brother's Bar & Grill. As Que'Aundre Johnson is walking, a male subject identified by witnesses as Malek Williams, steps in front of Que'Aundre Johnson, stops him and appears to be talking with Que'Aundre Johnson. Que'Aundre Johnson and Malek Williams speak for approximately one minute and twelve seconds. Then, Malek Williams pulls a gun from his waistband and

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begins shooting Que'Aundre Johnson. Que'Aundre Johnson can then be observed running away from Malek Williams towards the northeast, in the direction of the Marathon Gas station. Malek Williams can be observed chasing Que'Aundre Johnson, while still shooting in Que'Aundre Johnson's direction. Que'Aundre Johnson eventually falls down on the southwest corner of the gas station located at 1524 W. University Ave. Muncie, IN 47303. The suspect, Malek Williams, was observed running south east near University Ave. and cuts down an alley out of sight from the cameras.

Individuals in the area render aid to Que'Aundre Johnson until paramedics arrived on scene. Que'Aundre Johnson was taken to IU Health BMH where he was pronounced deceased. It was later determined that Que'Aundre Johnson sustained seven (7) gunshot wounds.

Several witnesses were brought to City Hall CID to be interviewed. One was Que'Aundre's girlfriend, A.G., who was able to positively identify Malek Williams in the videos and picture. A.G. explained that Malek Williams is an ex-boyfriend of hers as well. Investigators were able to get addresses for Malek Williams and went out to attempt to locate on 08/20/22. One of the addresses was 615 W. Charles St. Apt B2 Muncie, Delaware County, IN. It was also determined that Williams drives a Black VW CC 4 door vehicle with Passenger plate 199RGI.

On 08/20/22 Investigators with the Muncie Police Department observed Williams Black VW CC 4 door with Passenger Plate 199RGI pull into the parking lot for 615 W. Charles St. A male identified to be Malek Williams walked from the vehicle and into the glass common way door marked B for his apartment B2. A short amount of time passed and Malek Williams was observed leaving the glass common door and getting back in his Black VW CC 4 door vehicle with Passenger plate 199RGI. After the vehicle left the apartment Investigators performed a high risk stop on the vehicle and were able to take Malek Williams and J.D. into custody. Both subjects were transported to Muncie City Hall CID.

Once at CID Malek Williams was read his rights and acknowledgement waiver and agreed to speak with Investigators. Malek Williams confessed to shooting Que'Aundre Johnson and running away. Williams told Investigators where he threw the handgun he used and also advised that the clothes he was wearing that night were back at his apartment located at 615 W. Charles St Apt. B2. Muncie, In. Crime Scene Investigators processed the

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CHARGES TO BE FILED BY:



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COUNTY OF DELAWARE) CAUSE NUMBER. 18C01-2208-MR

INFORMATION:

I.C. 35-42-1-1(1)

Count 1: Murder

a Felony

STATE OF INDIANA

VS

MALEK S. WILLIAMS

615 W. Charles St. Apt. B2 Muncie, IN 47302

DOB: 11/27/2000 SSN: XXX-XX-2781

Count 1:

The undersigned says that on or about August 20, 2022 in Delaware County, State of Indiana, Malek S. Williams did knowingly kill another human being, to-wit: Que'aundre Johnson, contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided by I.C. 35-42-1-1(1) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

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Count 2:
Criminal Recklessness

I.C. 35-42-2-2(a) and I.C. 35-42-2-2(b)(1)(A)

a Level 6 Felony

MALEK S. WILLIAMS

615 W. Charles St. Apt. B2 Muncie, IN 47302

DOB: 11/27/2000 SSN: XXX-XX-2781

Count 2:

The undersigned says that on or about August 20, 2022 in Delaware County, State of Indiana, Malek S. Williams did recklessly, with a deadly weapon, to wit: firearm, perform an act, that created a substantial risk of bodily injury to any person other than Que'aundre Johnson who was present in the area, contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided by I.C. 35-42-2-2(a) and I.C. 35-42-2-2(b)(1)(A) and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK ENHANCED PENALTY FOR FIREARM USE

MALEK S. WILLIAMS

The undersigned says that on or about August 20, 2022, Malek S. Williams, did knowingly use a firearm during the commission of the offense of Murder, all of which is contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided, to-wit: I.C. 35-50-2-11 and against the peace and dignity of the State of Indiana.

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