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## **FIREWORKS SHOOTER PRESS CONFERENCE**

Today, Prosecutor Kym Worthy will dismiss all charges against Daron Caldwell, the 32 year old Detroit man charged in connection with the June 23, 2004 shootings during the fireworks at Hart Plaza.

Prosecutor Worthy stated, " This action was precipitated by receiving forensic evidence in the late evening of October 1, 2004 that the Mr. Caldwell's DNA failed to match any of the physical evidence found at the scene of the shooting. Further the fired evidence suggests that there were two weapons used.

"While this evidence does not eliminate Mr. Caldwell's participation in the shootings, or his known presence at the crime scene we cannot proceed with the prosecution of this case at this time. I will move to have the case dismissed today. We have fully briefed the Detroit Police Department and they are cooperating with us."

Mr. Caldwell was charged with Second Degree Murder, Six Counts of Assault with Intent to Murder, Felon in Possession, Felony Firearm and Habitual Second Offender. The dismissal hearing will be held in front Judge Mary Waterstone in Frank Murphy Hall of Justice Courtroom 403, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. press conference.

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