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## **Charges Issued in Assault Case that Sparked Retaliatory Shooting that Killed Seven Year Old Girl**

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy charged Arthur Khejuan Branch, 24 with Felonious Assault, Malicious Destruction of Property \$1,000 - \$20,000, Malicious Destruction of Property under \$200 and Habitual Third Offender. These charges stem from the incident on Monday that led to the drive by shooting of seven-year-old Deva White.

Felonious Assault carries a maximum penalty of four years, Malicious Destruction of Property \$1,000 - \$20,000 carries a maximum penalty of five years, Malicious Destruction of Property under \$200 is a 93-day misdemeanor and Habitual Third Offender carries a penalty of 10 years.

Prosecutor Worthy said, "I am outraged that anyone would attack a home containing children. Grown men, de-sensitized by a culture of violence, turned a trivial event into tragedies. It is appalling that an argument over a video game would result in serious injuries to one child and another child's untimely death."

Defendant Branch is currently at large and anyone with knowledge regarding his whereabouts is asked to contact the Detroit Police Department.

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