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PROSECUTOR ANNOUNCES CHARGING DECISION IN ASSAULT OF DETROIT MAN

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy announced charges in connection with the November 27, 2006 assault of Shafick Shoaib, 51 of Detroit. Ernest Domenech, 19 of Detroit was charged with Home Invasion First Degree, which carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, and Assault With Intent to Do Great Bodily Harm, which carries a maximum penalty of 10 years in prison. Police are continuing to investigate another suspect who may have been involved in the attack.

"Mr. Shoaib is a long-time resident of the Warrendale area of Detroit and never had trouble with anyone until the defendant moved into the neighborhood. This case is an extremely ugly neighborhood dispute that culminated in the defendant becoming violent. The primary motive for the home invasion and the brutal attack was because the defendant became upset about some words the victim allegedly said. We have charged these very serious felonies because we believe they are supported by the facts," said Prosecutor Worthy. "While the evidence shows there were some ethnic insults uttered during the assault they do not support the two-year misdemeanor charge of Ethnic Intimidation."

The arraignment may take place as early as 1:30 p.m. today in the 36th District located at 421 Madison Avenue in the City of Detroit.