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**QUEENS MAN CHARGED WITH MURDER AND ASSAULT IN WEEKEND MOTOR  
MAYHEM THAT ALLEGEDLY STARTED OVER TAPPING OF BUMPERS**

*Two People Stabbed And Four More Injured When Motorist Allegedly Drove Into Crowd;  
Defendant Faces Up To 25 Years To Life In Prison If Convicted*

Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown announced today that a 22-year-old Queens man has been charged with murder, assault and other crimes for allegedly stabbing two people and then intentionally driving his vehicle through a crowd of people – striking five individuals, including one of the stabbing victims – outside of an Ozone Park lounge just before dawn on Sunday. The incident allegedly was ignited by a petty parking dispute.

District Attorney Brown said, “What allegedly began as a minor tapping of fenders turned into a deadly pre-dawn horror show that left a young man dead and others seriously injured. The crimes alleged here are beyond senseless and the defendant now faces a lengthy term of incarceration if convicted.”

The District Attorney identified the defendant as Adrian Harry, 22, of Beach 67<sup>th</sup> Street in the Arverne neighborhood of Queens. The defendant is presently awaiting arraignment in Queens Criminal Court on a criminal complaint charging him with one count of second-degree murder, one count of first-degree assault, two counts of first-degree attempted assault, five counts of second-degree assault, six counts of first-degree reckless endangerment and two counts of fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon. If convicted, Harry faces 25 years to life in prison.

District Attorney Brown said that, according to the charges, Harry was parking his white 2016 Hyundai Sonata on Liberty Avenue near 127<sup>th</sup> Street around 4:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 3, 2017, when he allegedly tapped the bumper of the white BMW parked directly behind him. Although it is alleged that Harry caused no damage to the bumper, the BMW’s two male occupants exited the vehicle and confronted him. During the ensuing altercation, Harry allegedly pulled out a knife and stabbed one of the men in the torso and the other in the abdomen.

Continuing, District Attorney Brown said, according to the charges, while various people went to assist the two stabbing victims, video surveillance recovered from the scene showed Harry getting back into his vehicle and driving onto the sidewalk through the crowd, striking six individuals –including one of the stabbed victims. Victim Richardo (“Moses”) Chattergoon, 23, was pronounced dead at the scene and, according to the medical examiner’s office, his injuries allegedly appeared consistent with being struck and dragged by a motor vehicle. The five other victims were transported to a local Queens hospital. Two of the victims were placed in intensive care – one victim suffered bleeding to the brain and is currently in a medically induced coma and the other suffered a fractured pelvis and a frontal lobe head bleeding that will require surgery. A third victim suffered a broken nose and contusions, another suffered swelling to the head, as well as bruising and swelling to the leg, and the fifth victim suffered bruising and swelling to the legs and arms.

The investigation was conducted by detectives assigned to the New York City Police Department’s 106<sup>th</sup> Precinct’s detective squad.

Assistant District Attorney Kanella Georgopoulos, of the District Attorneys Homicide Investigations Bureau, is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter T. Reese, Bureau Chief, and Peter J. McCormack III, Richard B. Schaeffer and John Kosinski, Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Daniel A. Saunders and Deputy Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Brad A. Leventhal.

It should be noted that a criminal complaint is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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