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**ACTOR INDICTED BY QUEENS GRAND JURY FOR MURDER
IN JAMAICA SHOOTING DEATH**

*Charged with Second Degree Murder by Queens Grand Jury;
Defendant Faces Up to 25 Years-to-Life in Prison if Convicted*

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz announced today that Isaiah Stokes, 41, has been indicted by a Queens grand jury and arraigned in Supreme Court for murder and other crimes for the fatal shooting of a Queens Village man who sat in a parked vehicle in Jamaica, Queens this past February 2021.

District Attorney Katz said, “The defendant is accused of unloading nearly eleven shots during this brazen afternoon shooting. Gun violence is all too prevalent in our neighborhoods. We will not allow it to become the norm.”

Stokes, of 62nd Road, Jamaica, was arraigned this morning before Supreme Court Justice Kenneth Holder on a three-count indictment charging him with murder in the second degree and two counts of criminal possession of a weapon in the second degree. Justice Holder set the defendant’s return date for July 19, 2021. If convicted, Stokes faces up to 25 years-to-life in prison.

According to the charges, said DA Katz, around 2:45 p.m. on February 7, 2021, video surveillance footage showed the defendant exiting a vehicle parked near the intersection of Linden Boulevard and 200th Street and then approaching the driver’s side window of a white Jeep Grand Cherokee which was parked in front of 200-08 Linden Boulevard. Stokes allegedly fired eleven gunshots into the car hitting Tyrone Jones, 37, of Queens Village, who died of his injuries.

The investigation was conducted by Detective Michael Naus of the Queens Homicide Squad and Detective Daniel Connors of the 113th Precinct Detective Squad of the New York City Police Department.

Assistant District Attorney Emily Collins, with the assistance of Kaitlyn Gaskin, of the District Attorney's Homicide Bureau, is prosecuting the case under the supervision of Assistant District Attorneys Peter J. McCormack III, Senior Deputy Bureau Chief, John W. Kosinski and Karen Ross, Deputy Bureau Chiefs, and under the overall supervision of Executive Assistant District Attorney for Major Crimes Daniel A. Saunders.

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