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**Grand Jury Returns Indictment Against Lance Mason for
Aggravated Murder of His Ex-Wife**

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CLEVELAND – Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County Grand Jury has indicted Lance Mason on six charges, including Aggravated Murder. He faces a maximum penalty of Life in Prison without the Possibility of Parole.

On Saturday, November 17, 2018, at approximately 9:30am, Lance Mason, 51, confronted his ex-wife, Aisha Fraser, 45, as she arrived at a residence on Chagrin Blvd. with their 8-year-old and 11-year-old children. Mason stabbed her repeatedly, causing her death.

Shaker Heights Police responded immediately to a 911 call for help and began to set up a perimeter to secure the area. Mason then stole the victim's vehicle to flee the scene. As Shaker Heights Police Officer Adam Flynt began to establish a crime scene perimeter, Mason drove at the officer, causing injury to Officer Flynt and damage to his police vehicle. Officer Flynt was transported to the hospital and treated. Mason fled on foot back into the residence on Chagrin Blvd., where Shaker Heights Police pursued and arrested him.

“Aisha Fraser was viciously and cruelly taken from her children by Lance Mason's cowardly and selfish act,” said Prosecutor O'Malley. “He stole a loving mother from her children and took an exceptional teacher, neighbor, and role model from the Shaker Heights community. He will be held accountable for his barbaric act.”

A Grand Jury heard the evidence presented today and returned an indictment with the following charges:

Aggravated Murder, for purposely, and with prior calculation and design, causing the death of Aisha Fraser, an unclassified felony. (Possible sentence: 20 years to Life; 25 years to Life; 30 years to Life or Life without the Possibility of Parole)

Murder, for causing the death of Aisha Fraser, as a proximate result of the offender committing a Felonious Assault against Aisha Fraser, an unclassified felony. (15 years to Life)

Felonious Assault, for knowingly causing serious physical harm to Aisha Fraser, a felony of the second degree (F2). (2-8 years in prison)

Violating a Protection Order, for recklessly violating terms of a protection order. The charge carries a Furthermore Clause as a result of the offender violating a protection order while committing Aggravated Murder, which enhances the penalty to a felony of the third degree (F3). (9- 36 months)

Grand Theft, for purposely depriving the owner, Aisha Fraser, of her vehicle without consent and the property stolen is a motor vehicle, a felony of the fourth degree (F4). (6 to 18 months)

Felonious Assault, for knowingly causing physical harm to Officer Adam Flynt by means of an automobile. The charge carries a Furthermore Clause as a result of victim's status as a peace officer, which enhances the penalty to a felony of the first degree (F1). (3 to 11 years)

His next court appearance will be arraignment, located on the 12th Floor of the Justice Center. The Court will schedule arraignment.

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