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Two Men Indicted for Double Homicide at 24/7 Diner in Cleveland's Edgewater Neighborhood

CLEVELAND – Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County grand jury has returned an indictment charging Anthony Hunt, 29, and Antonio Ortiz, 25, for the murders of a 27-year-old Cleveland man and a 23-year-old Euclid woman at a 24/7 diner in Cleveland's Edgewater neighborhood.

"These individuals fired over 30 shots inside a restaurant full of patrons," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "Two individuals lost their lives and now they will pay the price."

On March 22, 2021, a verbal altercation ensued between Ortiz and the 27-year-old victim inside a Cleveland restaurant located on Detroit Avenue near West 117th Street. Shortly after, both Ortiz and Hunt fired multiple shots which resulted in both victims, as well as Ortiz and Hunt, suffering gunshot wounds. Ortiz discarded his gun and fled the scene in a nearby vehicle. Hunt also discarded his weapon but remained on scene.

Officers with the Cleveland Division of Police (CPD) responded and provided first aid to both victims and Hunt until Emergency Medical Services arrived (EMS). EMS transported both victims to a nearby hospital where they were later pronounced deceased. Hunt was also transported to the hospital by EMS where he was treated for his injuries and later arrested. It was later learned that Ortiz was transported to the hospital in a private vehicle where he was treated for his injuries and arrested.

CPD's Homicide Unit conducted an investigation that linked Ortiz and Hunt to the crime. They have been indicted on multiple charges that include:

- **Aggravated Murder**
- **Murder**
- **Felonious Assault**
- **Tampering With Evidence**
- **Illegal Possession of Firearm in Liquor Permit Premises**
- **Having Weapons Under Disability**
- **Aggravated Riot**

Both are currently being held at the Cuyahoga County Jail – Hunt on a \$2,000,000 bond and Ortiz on a \$1,000,000 bond. They will be arraigned at the Cuyahoga County Justice Center at a later date.