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Tyric Green and D'Andre Morris Indicted for Intentionally Setting a House on Fire with People Inside – Including a 7-Month-Old Baby; Dog Died as a Result

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County grand jury has returned an indictment charging Tyric Green, 21, and D'Andre Morris, 22, for intentionally setting a house on fire in Cleveland with three people inside – including a 7- month-old-baby.

"Mr. Green lit fire to his grandmother's landlord's house at 2 a.m. while three innocent people slept inside, including a 7-month-old baby," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "It is a miracle that this family was not killed or seriously injured. My thoughts and prayers remain with them for the loss of their home, their personal possessions, and their family dog Salami. We will hold these two individuals accountable."

Tyric Green's grandmother provided him with rent funds which the landlord never received. The landlord contacted the grandmother after not receiving payments for 3 months. Green then forged a letter from the bank regarding the deposit of the funds.

On April 19, 2024, Tyric Green and D'Andre Morris approached a residence near West 106th Street and Clifton Boulevard in Cleveland. They attempted to set the residence on fire with a suspected ignitable liquid while the occupants were inside, but the attempt was unsuccessful. The next night around 2 a.m., they both came back to the same residence and successfully set the residence on fire with a suspected ignitable liquid. Three victims, a 29-year-old female, a 26-year-old male, and 7-month-old baby, a cat, and Salami – their family dog – were all inside. Green and Morris then fled the scene.

The three victims and the cat managed to escape by jumping out of a window on the second floor. Salami was pronounced deceased on the scene. Green and Morris caused over \$750,000 in damages including damage to the surrounding residences. The Cleveland Fire Department and the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) both responded to the scene. The investigation is being conducted by the CDP and remains ongoing.

On April 29, 2024, Tyric Green and D'Andre Morris were indicted on the following charges:

- Six counts of Attempted Murder
- 10 counts of Aggravated Arson
- Four counts of Attempted Aggravated Arson
- Two counts of Arson
- Two counts of Cruelty To Companion Animals
- Two counts of Forgery
- One count of Possessing Criminal Tools

You can view the indictment <u>here</u>. They will be arraigned at the Cuyahoga County Justice Center at a later date.