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CASE OF INTEREST

Gang Members Convicted for Fatally Stabbing Father

DATE: March 16, 2017

CASE: Sebastian Flores Torres & Jose Guadalupe Salazar (Case #14F01794)

PROSECUTOR: Deputy District Attorney Shelly McGill, Gangs & Hate Crimes Unit

Sebastian Flores Torres and Jose Guadalupe Salazar were convicted by a jury of the second-degree murder of Shannon Gregg and two counts of assault with a deadly weapon. The jury also found true that the defendants committed the crimes for the benefit of a criminal street gang, the Howe Park Sureños.

On March 12, 2014, a juvenile gang member belonging to the same gang as defendants Sebastian Flores Torres and Jose Guadalupe Salazar got into a verbal altercation with a group of juveniles near the intersection of Bell and Alta Arden. The juvenile gang member fled the scene and told defendants Torres and Salazar about the altercation. That same juvenile along with two other minors and defendants Torres and Salazar drove back to the scene of the altercation and discovered the group of juveniles now standing in the front yard of a nearby home. As the five gang members began to approach the group, the home owner, Shannon Gregg, came out of the house in an attempt to prevent a physical altercation. The gang members began assaulting the individuals in the front yard. Mr. Gregg and an adult friend attempted to help fend off the attack. Mr. Gregg, his adult friend, and one of the minors standing in the front yard were stabbed, in the course of the assault. Witnesses varied as to whether defendant Torres or defendant Salazar was the individual wielding the knife. Mr. Gregg died from a stab wound to his heart. The other two victims survived the stabbing.

The defendants face a maximum sentence of 26 years and 8 months to life in prison. Sentencing is set for April 28, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 28 before the Honorable James McFetridge.