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HARVEY YOUTH INDICTED FOR ATTEMPT MURDER IN JANUARY 2021 CARJACKING IN AURORA

VICTIM PERMANENTLY PARALYZED; CASE MOVED TO ADULT COURT

March 17, 2022

Kane County State's Attorney Jamie Mosser announces that a Kane County grand jury has indicted 17-year-old **Ishmail Gonzalez** on the offenses of:

- Attempt first-degree murder, Class X felony
- Aggravated battery with a firearm, Class X felony
- Armed violence, Class X felony, 2 counts
- Aggravated vehicular hijacking, Class X felony
- Unlawful possession of a stolen motor vehicle, Class 2 felony, 2 counts
- Unlawful possession of a firearm without a Firearm Owners Identification Card, Class 3 felony
- Aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, Class 4 felony

Kane County prosecutors allege that, during the afternoon of January 16, 2021, in a parking lot in the 1200 block of North Orchard Road, Aurora, Gonzalez shot the victim with a handgun and stole her car. The victim is permanently paralyzed as a result. Gonzalez was 15 years old at the time and not eligible for a Firearm Owners Identification Card.

Kane County prosecutors originally charged Gonzalez as a juvenile then petitioned the court to transfer the case to adult court. March 14, 2022, Kane County Judge Sandra Parga granted the request to transfer the matter to adult court.

After Judge Parga's ruling, prosecutors presented the case to the grand jury which granted a true bill. Kane County Judge John Barsanti then set Gonzalez's bail at \$500,000 with 10 percent (\$50,000) to apply for bond.

Gonzalez appeared today in Kane County bond court. Kane County Judge Julia Yetter set Gonzalez's next court appearance for 9 a.m. on April 6, 2022 in Courtroom 313 at the Kane County Judicial Center.

The charges against Gonzalez are not proof of guilt. Gonzalez is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the state's burden to prove his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Ishmail Gonzalez: Age 17 (d.o.b. 3-14-2005), of Harvey, Illinois. Case No. 2022CF439.