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**Eric N. Reynolds Indicted on 17 Felony Charges Related to the Explosion at
Ridgeway Avenue**

Rochester, NY- A Monroe County Grand Jury indicted 52-year-old Webster resident Eric N. Reynolds for his alleged involvement in the bombing of 401 Ridgeway Avenue in the City of Rochester. On the evening of May 15, 2017, the strong odor of gasoline was emanating from the area of Mr. Reynolds' rental property. Rochester Fire Department, Engine 10, was first on scene. Shortly thereafter, assistance was requested from Rochester Police Department's Bomb Squad and Arson Task Force. While conducting a search of the building, four devices were located which were removed and rendered safe. Additionally, evidence was found of two separate explosive events within the building. A search was conducted of Mr. Reynolds' home in which authorities found what appeared to be evidence related to the events at 401 Ridgeway Avenue, as well as three illegal assault rifles. The seventeen count indictment reflects the events from both the City of Rochester and Webster locations.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney, Brian Green, the Deputy Bureau Chief of the Major Felony Bureau, as well as Assistant District Attorney Bianca D'Angelo.

"The danger that the community and first responders were put in was irresponsible and wholly unnecessary" said ADA Green. "The bravery of the firefighters and police officers who made the building and neighborhood safe cannot be overstated. We want to thank the RFD, RPD, ATF and the FBI for their tireless, coordinated and ongoing efforts in this investigation."

Eric N. Reynolds will be arraigned before Justice Thomas A. Moran.

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