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Todd Griffin and Luis Torres Indicted by Monroe County Grand Jury

Rochester, NY- A Monroe County Grand Jury has indicted Todd Griffin and Luis Torres for their role in the April 30, 2016 arson at 1050 Campbell Street, in the City of Rochester.

Griffin was indicted on 3 counts of Attempted Murder in the First Degree, 2 counts of Attempted Murder in the Second Degree, Arson in the Second Degree, Intimidating a Victim or Witness in the Third Degree, Criminal Contempt in the First Degree, and Resisting Arrest.

Torres was indicted on Attempted Murder in the First Degree, 2 counts of Attempted Murder in the Second Degree, Arson in the Second Degree, and Intimidating a Victim or Witness in the Third Degree.

The two are charged with intentionally starting a fire at 1050 Campbell Street on April 30, 2016. The allegations are that the pair sought to intimidate a witness against Griffin. The fire was intentionally set as an attempt to cause her death and prevent her from testifying in the upcoming trial. At the time of the fire, there were 8 other people in the home, including several children.

"The safety of our witnesses is paramount in any case. The nature of the charges against these defendants reflects the severity of their actions. The dedicated efforts of the Arson Task Force, the Rochester Police Department, and the Rochester Fire Department who worked tirelessly with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office on this investigation, is reflected in the handing of of these charges" said Assistant District Attorney Eleanor Biggers of the Special Victims Trial Division.

Griffin and Torres will be arraigned at a later date in New York State Supreme Court.