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Detroit Man Charged in Homicide of 81-Year-Old Man

Today Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Tywaun Tramel Coakley, 42 (DOB: 12/3/73), of Detroit, in connection with the homicide of Roberto Ybarra, 81, also of Detroit. On July 17, 2016 at 9:35 a.m., it is alleged that Defendant Coakley was in the 1600 block of West Lafayette when he stole a car from a victim and drove away in the car. Shortly thereafter, the defendant fatally struck and killed Mr. Ybarra while he was standing by his car in the 1600 block of West Lafayette. It is further alleged that the defendant failed to stop after striking Mr. Ybarra, but was later apprehended by the police on Howard Street.

The defendant has been charged with Felony Murder, Manslaughter Motor Vehicle, Failure to Stop at Accident Resulting in Death and Felonious Assault. He was arraigned and remanded to jail at 10:30 a.m. today in 36th District Court before Magistrate Charles Anderson. He will have his probable cause hearing on July 27, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. and his preliminary examination on August 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., both before Judge Kenneth King.

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