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Arrest Made in Homicide: Unit Block of Massachusetts Avenue, Northeast

(Washington, DC) – Detectives from the Metropolitan Police Department’s Homicide Branch announce an arrest has been made regarding a fatal shooting that occurred on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, in the unit block of Massachusetts Avenue, Northeast.

At approximately 9:48 pm, members of the First District responded to the listed location for the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, members located an adult male suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene and transported the victim to an area hospital. After all life-saving efforts failed, the victim was pronounced dead.

The decedent has been identified as **34 year-old James Eric Ferrell**, of no fixed address.

On Thursday, December 20, 2018, pursuant to a DC Superior Court arrest warrant, members of the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF) arrested **34 year-old MacArthur Venable**, of no fixed address. He was charged with **First Degree Murder while Armed (Premeditated)**.

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