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## Arrest Made and an Additional Suspect Sought in a Homicide: 700 Block of 14th Street, Southeast

(Washington, DC) – Detectives from the Metropolitan Police Department's Homicide Branch announced an arrest has been made and an additional suspect is sought in reference to a fatal stabbing that occurred on Sunday, April 28, 2019, in the 700 block of 14th Street, Southeast.

At approximately 11:42 pm, members of the First District and the Metro Transit Police Department responded to the listed location for the report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, members located an unconscious adult male, suffering from multiple stab wounds. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services arrived on 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 **40-year-old Jamal Ferrell**, of Southeast, DC.

On Thursday, June 06, 2019, pursuant to a DC Superior Court arrest warrant, 18 year-old Jada **Jena Smith,** of Southeast, DC, was arrested and charged with **Armed Robbery**. As a result of the detective's investigation, Smith was charged with First Degree Murder - Felony Murder.

The Metropolitan Police Department seeks the public's assistance in locating 18 year-old **Xavier Dontrell Culbreth**. Culbreth is currently wanted on a DC Superior Court arrest warrant for First Degree Murder while Armed in reference to this case. He is described as an 18 yearold black male, 5'7 tall, 145 pounds, brown eyes, dreadlocks and a dark complexion. Culbreth can be seen in the photo below:







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The Metropolitan Police Department currently offers a reward of up to \$25,000 to anyone that provides information which leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for any homicide committed in the District of Columbia. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the police at 202-727-9099. Additionally, anonymous information may be submitted to the department's **TEXT TIP LINE** by sending a text message to **50411**.

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