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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**TEENS CHARGED WITH EARLIMART MURDER**

District Attorney Tim Ward has announced criminal charges against Vanessa Macias, age 19, and Jesus Fernandez, age 18, in the shooting death of a 16-year-old male on October 18, 2019, in Earlimart.

Both Macias and Fernandez are charged with one count of murder. Fernandez is additionally charged with one count of assault with a firearm. The counts are enhanced with special allegations for Fernandez.

They are scheduled to be arraigned at the county pre-trial facility this afternoon. If convicted, they each face life in prison.

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