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COUNTY OF TULARE

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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**TWO CHARGED IN DEATH, TORTURE OF TODDLER**

District Attorney Tim Ward has announced murder charges in the June 5, 2020, incident in the city of Visalia that resulted in the death of a toddler.

Ezequiel Ramirez, age 22, and Jasmine Blase, age 18, are each charged with one count of murder, assault on a child causing death, and torture. Additionally, Ramirez faces the special circumstance of murder with torture and special allegations of possessing a prior strike and prior felonies.

Both are scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon where a future court date will be set. Blase faces life in prison if convicted, while Ramirez faces the death penalty or life in prison without the possibility of parole.

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