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15-Year-Old Charged with Murdering a 14-Year-Old

VENTURA, California – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that a petition was filed in juvenile court alleging that a 15-year-old juvenile committed murder, with the personal use of a firearm, of a 14-year-old victim.

On September 12, 2022, at approximately 7:48 p.m., the victim was shot as he stood near a bus stop in the 1300 block of C Street, in Oxnard. The victim suffered multiple gunshot wounds and was later pronounced dead. Prior to the shooting, the juvenile verbally confronted the victim near Durley Park, in Oxnard. After the initial confrontation, the victim walked to the bus stop on C Street where he waited for a family member to pick him up. As the victim waited, the juvenile returned in his vehicle and shot the victim multiple times. After an extensive search to locate the shooter, Oxnard Police Department officers arrested the juvenile on September 18.

The juvenile is scheduled to be arraigned at the Juvenile Justice Courthouse on October 3, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., in courtroom J4 and remains detained at the Juvenile Justice Facility.

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