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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the filing of a three-count indictment¹ charging Imir Reaves with committing an armed robbery of the Empire Diner in Upper Darby on April 21, 2007.

The indictment charges that during the robbery the defendant brandished a loaded semiautomatic firearm with an obliterated serial number and threatened patrons and employees to obtain money. The indictment also charges Reaves with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. If convicted, Reaves faces a maximum sentence of lifetime imprisonment with a mandatory minimum of 10 years, five years supervised release, a \$750,000 fine and a \$300 special assessment.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Imir Reaves	Philadelphia, PA	27

This case was investigated by the Upper Darby Police Department, the Lansdowne Police Department and the Violent Crime Impact Team (VCIT), comprised of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, the Pennsylvania Attorney General’s Bureau of Narcotics Investigation and the Philadelphia Police Department. This case has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Joseph J. Khan.

¹ An indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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