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## PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES GUILTY VERDICT IN BAR BATHROOM MURDER TRIAL

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that a Summit County jury found Gladys Sashay Ingersoll, 24, of Akron guilty for the 2022 murder of Chyna Shepard inside the women's bathroom of the Oasis Surf and Turf bar in Akron.

Jurors found Ingersoll guilty of the following charges:

- One count of Murder with a Firearm Specification an Unclassified Felony;
- One count of Felonious Assault with a Firearm Specification a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Felony; and
- One count of Obstructing Official Business with a Firearm Specification a 5<sup>th</sup> Degree Felony.

"Gladys Ingersoll shot and killed Chyna Shepard at point-blank range, and I am grateful for the jury's decision to hold Ingersoll accountable," said Prosecutor Kolkovich. "I also want to thank the Akron Police Department, and my assistant prosecutors for their work in getting justice for Chyna."

In July 2022, Ingersoll shot and killed Chyna Shepard, 21, after starting a fight with Chyna and following her to the women's bathroom of the Oasis Surf and Turf Bar, which was formerly located in the North Hill neighborhood of Akron. Ingersoll then fled the scene, leading to a foot chase with Akron police. After her apprehension, Ingersoll was arrested and charged. Witness testimony and ballistics testing connected Ingersoll to the offenses.

Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge Mary Margaret Rowlands is scheduled to sentence Gladys Ingersoll on January 23, 2025 at 1pm.

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