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## JURY CONVICTS HOWARD STREET GANG MEMBER OF FELONY MURDER

**FLINT** -- A Genesee County jury has convicted a Flint man of 2 counts of felony murder and related charges in a shooting that occurred on Easter Sunday, 2012.

27-year old Markus Evans was found guilty Friday of killing 39-year old Michael Edwards and 32-year old Latosha Fox, both of Flint. Both were found shot to death in Edwards' Nielson Street home.

Evans was also convicted of Home Invasion, being a felon in possession of a gun and using that gun during the commission of a felony.

Evans was earlier convicted in federal court of Racketeering. Police and prosecutors allege he is a member of the Howard Street Gang that was responsible for numerous crimes in the city.

"Case by case, together with our federal partners, we are breaking up the gangs and crews that bring violence to our city," Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton said. "Our goal is to rid Flint of violent crime and allow our citizens to live in safe and quiet neighborhoods."

Evans will be sentenced on March 21<sup>st</sup> by Circuit Court Judge Archie Hayman. Felony murder requires a mandatory life in prison sentence without the possibility of parole.