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PROSECUTOR PADLOCKS TWO AFTER HOURS CLUBS IN FLINT TOWNSHIP

FLINT – Two establishments that have hosted late night parties where violence erupted have been padlocked by Genesee County Prosecutor David Leyton and the Flint Township Police.

Prosecutor Leyton announced Friday that he has obtained a temporary restraining order from Circuit Court Judge Judith Fullerton shutting down "The Mansion", 3434 Flushing Road, and "Tha Spot", 3432 Flushing Road. Both locations have been the scene of multiple violent occurrences including shootings and a homicide. The homicide occurred April 9th. Dequan Gillam, 20, was killed in that incident.

Flint Township police obtained evidence that both sites advertise themselves on social media as after-hours clubs. Flint Township police also believe intoxicating liquors known as "Jungle Juice" are made available at the afterhours clubs.

Prosecutor Leyton said that he will seek to close establishments that disturb the peace, quiet, and safety of the community. "I will continue to utilize the public nuisance statute. This is why I worked so hard to convince the legislature to include violence as a nuisance in the statute", Leyton said. Flint Township Police Chief George Sippert said: "After responding to and investigating numerous incidents of fights, shootings, and one murder in the area of the Diplomat Plaza on Flushing Road, the Flint Township Police Department requested assistance from Prosecutor David Leyton. The Flint Township Police Department working together with the prosecutor's office and township officials has demonstrated that a unified approach to solving serious safety concerns is very effective. The safety of our residential and business community remains our top priority. I believe that the closure of these two establishments is necessary and does improve the safety of our community."

A hearing on Prosecutor Leyton's request for a preliminary injunction is scheduled for April 25th in circuit court.

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