Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Major Crimes Bureau / Felony Assault Unit

Date: January 3, 2022

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Type of Offense/Incident: Felony Assault   Date: 1/2/22   Time: 10:17 pm

Location of Offense/Incident: Independence Village Shopping Center   Zone: 2

Precinct: 20

Incident Report #: 220004677   Cruiser District: 204

Victim: MVB	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 43
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Suspect: **Address:**

☐ **Arrested**   ☐ **Warrant on File**   Sex: Race: Age:

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Incident Summary: On Sunday evening, January 2nd, 2022, at 10:17 p.m., the victim and his companion pulled into the parking lot at the Independence Village Shopping Center. They were meeting friends at a bar within the shopping center. Just as they got out of their vehicle, shooters in a vehicle pulled out and began firing at the victim several times. The victim was struck several times in the lower abdomen and legs. He was taken to a local hospital in critical condition.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Columbus Police Felony Assault Detective Pruitt #2341 at 614-645-4141 or central Ohio Crime Stoppers at 614-461-TIPS(8477). This is the 5th Felony Assault in Columbus for calendar year 2022.

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Approved By: Sgt. Marable #5331   Assignment: Homicide