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NORBETO NESTOR MUNIZ, JUNIOR CONVICTED OF MURDER

HILLSBORO, Ore.- On February 4, 2022, a jury found Norbeto Nestor Muniz, Junior guilty of murder and first-degree abuse of a corpse. Chief Deputy District Attorney Bracken McKey and Deputy District Attorney Bryce Bissinger prosecuted the case against the defendant before Judge Andrew Erwin.

On November 17, 2018, Beaverton police were called to a home off of SW Allen Boulevard on a report of a suspicious circumstance. Responding officers searched the home and found the body of Amy Low. Ms. Low's body was badly burned, and she was not positively identified until January of 2019.

Ms. Low lived at the residence with the defendant and another man. Detectives identified the defendant as a suspect in the crime. Investigators secured a search warrant and found several items of interest in the home including items which contained DNA evidence. They determined Ms. Low was beaten to death and subsequently burned in a backyard burn pile.

The defendant was arrested with the assistance of Portland police on May 8, 2019 and was held until trial. The defendant had recently been released from prison after serving a Measure 11 sentence for first-degree robbery.

This office wishes to acknowledge the work of the Beaverton Police Department including Detectives Chad Opitz and Maggie Brown. This office also wishes to thank the Portland Police Bureau for their assistance in apprehending the defendant.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled for February 8, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.