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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 76 YEARS IN PRISON FOR SHOOTING TWO
NYPD OFFICERS IN THE MIDST OF TWO ROBBERIES**
One Officer's Injuries Required A Year-Long Recovery

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 76 years in prison for shooting and seriously wounding two New York City police officers during a violent spree in the Bronx.

District Attorney Clark said, "Responding NYPD Officers risked their lives to stop the defendant, who left a trail of mayhem in the Bronx. Thankfully, they fully recovered and are back on active duty, promoted to detectives. The defendant will now spend the majority of his life behind bars for his vicious crimes."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Jason Polanco, 26, of Decatur Avenue, was sentenced today to a total of 76 years in prison followed by 5 years of post-release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett. The defendant was found guilty by a jury on March 30, 2018 of first and second-degree Assault, Criminal Possession of a Weapon and two counts each of first and second-degree Robbery.

According to the investigation, on January 5, 2015, the defendant committed an armed robbery at a grocery store in the area of East 180th Street. Then-Police Officers (now Detectives) Andrew Dossi and Aliro Pellerano, and NYPD Sergeants Cesar Gomez and Michael Pomerantz and NYPD Detective Edelman Santos, who were at the end of their shift, heard the radio call about the robbery and rushed to the area. When Dossi and Pellerano approached the location where the defendant was, he fired multiple times, striking Dossi in his left arm and back. It took about a year for him to recover. Pellerano was struck in his arm and side. After the shooting, the defendant carjacked a Chevrolet Camaro at gunpoint, ultimately crashing and then fleeing on foot. The defendant was arrested on January 6, 2015.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Paul Irace, Supervisor in the

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Criminal Enterprise Bureau, and Timothy Collins of the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau and James Goward, Chief of the Criminal Enterprise Bureau, and the overall supervision of Stuart Levy, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division and Jean T. Walsh, Chief of the Investigations Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked BXDA Detective Investigators Rita Bobe-Saleh, Brian Santana and Rocco Galasso for their assistance in the case.