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CHRISTIAN LENTZ CHARGED WITH HATE CRIME AND ELDER ABUSE

Clark County District Attorney Steven Wolfson today announced the filing of a Criminal Complaint charging Christian Lentz with Residential Burglary and Elder Abuse perpetrated as hate crimes. It is alleged in the Complaint that the victim, a 75-year-old Asian American, was attacked inside the garage of his Mountain's Edge home on May 30, 2023. Lentz was arrested following the incident.

“We will not tolerate such horrible acts of hatred and violence in our community,” said Clark County District Attorney Steve Wolfson. “These actions are unacceptable and will have consequences.”

If convicted, Residential Burglary perpetrated as a hate crime carries a sentence of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 10 years plus a consecutive sentence of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 10 years.

Elder Abuse as a hate crime carries a sentence of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 5 years plus a consecutive sentence of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 5 years. In addition to any other penalty, the court may impose a fine of not more than \$10,000.

The Court may also treat Elder Abuse perpetrated as a hate crime as a gross misdemeanor which carries a sentence of imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 364 days, or by a fine of not more than \$2,000, or by both fine and imprisonment and a consecutive sentence of imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 364 days, or by a fine of not more than \$2,000, or by both fine and imprisonment.