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Brandon Hughes sentenced to 27 years for Attempted Murder

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Marion County Prosecutor Ryan Mears announced today that Brandon Hughes has been sentenced to 27 years with 25 years executed in the Indiana Department of Correction for a shooting that occurred in August 2019. Hughes was convicted of Attempted Murder (Level 1 Felony) and Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon (Level 4 Felony) in March. He initially faced charges of Aggravated Battery (Level 3 Felony), but after further investigation and assessment of the victim's injuries, Prosecutors were able to charge Hughes with Attempted Murder.

On Aug. 25, 2019, the victim was confronted by individuals in a park near the 3100 block of Baltimore Avenue when an altercation between the victim and a man began. After the brief encounter, the man left and returned with Hughes, who shot the victim multiple times at close range. The victim sustained at least seven gunshot wounds to his arms, abdomen, and legs. Video evidence showed the victim began running and then crawling away after being struck and the shots continued.

"The courage of the victim throughout this process has been remarkable," Prosecutor Mears said. "To survive such a traumatic event and face your assailant in court takes tremendous fortitude and played a significant role in holding Hughes accountable for this senseless act."