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BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 25 YEARS IN PRISON FOR MURDER OF WOMAN ON THANKSGIVING EVE 2014 Victim And Defendant Lived On Same Block; She Was Stabbed Repeatedly

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a 52-year-old Bronx man was sentenced to 25 years in prison following his conviction for first-degree Manslaughter in the stabbing of a 53-year-old woman on Thanksgiving Eve in 2014.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant stabbed the victim, whom he was acquainted with, over 20 times. He will now serve many years for the vicious crime he committed. Hopefully this sentence will bring some justice for the victim's loved ones."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Antonio Gonzales, 52, of 105 East Clarke Place, was sentenced today by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Steven Barrett to 25 years in prison and five years post-release supervision. The defendant pleaded guilty to first-degree Manslaughter on June 12, 2018.

According to the investigation, on November 27, 2014 the defendant went to 121 East Clarke Place, the home of the victim, Cynthia Taylor. The defendant stabbed the victim more than 20 times, striking her in the neck and torso. The defendant said in previous statements that he hit, kicked, and stabbed the victim with scissors. The defendant was arrested for the killing on September 22, 2016 after his DNA was matched to the crime scene.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Burim Namani of the Homicide Bureau under the supervision of Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and the overall supervision of Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.