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**BRONX WOMAN INDICTED FOR STABBING
HER TWO YOUNG CHILDREN
Defendant Used Razor to Slash Their Necks;
Abandoned Wounded Children On Street**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx woman has been indicted in the stabbings of her two-year-old daughter and six-year-old son.

District Attorney Clark said, “The defendant allegedly slashed her two young children and then left them on the street while they were bleeding profusely. Within minutes after the attack, she allegedly walked into the 42nd Precinct and told Police Officers to arrest her because she had committed a crime.”

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Shanice Martin, 24, of 2140 Seward Avenue, was arraigned today on two counts of Attempted Murder in the second degree, four counts of first-degree Assault, six counts of second-degree Assault, Criminal Possession of a Weapon, and two counts of Endangering the Welfare of a Child before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Lester Adler. Remand was continued and the defendant is due back in court on October 9, 2019.

According to the investigation, on the evening of April 27, 2019 at the corner of Brook Avenue and Washington Avenue, the defendant struggled with her son and then cut his throat with a razor, leaving him with a deep laceration. She then turned to her toddler daughter and cut her in the neck and her side. Martin walked away from the scene and left the children lying on the sidewalk, bleeding profusely. A passerby flagged down NYPD Officers and the children were taken to Lincoln Hospital where doctors performed life-saving surgeries. They underwent further treatment at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and were discharged about two weeks after the incident.

On June 14, 2019, the defendant’s son, Tyzavier Martin, collapsed in his school and died. Autopsy results are pending, and the investigation is continuing regarding additional charges.

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The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Alexandra Militano, Supervisor in the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney Jonathan Vega, of the Human Trafficking Unit, and Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Lynch of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, under the supervision of Rachel Ferrari, Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and the overall supervision Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Officers in NYPD Housing Police Service Area 7, the 42nd Precinct and the Bronx Child Abuse Squad for their assistance in the investigation, specifically PSA 7 Police Officers John Liska and Jonathan Martinez, Police Officer John Paulino of the 42nd Precinct and Detective Timothy Hoffman of the Bronx Child Abuse Squad.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

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