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BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS IN PRISON FOR SEXUALLY ABUSING A GIRL FOR SEVEN YEARS

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to four years in prison with five years post release supervision upon his conviction for sexually assaulting a girl beginning when she was 10 years old.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant violently forced himself on a child and did the unthinkable. He abused her for seven years. As an adult, the survivor bravely spoke out against her attacker, so that he was held accountable for his actions."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Angel Torres, 47, last of 2865 Kingsbridge Road, was sentenced today by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Lester Adler to four years in prison on second-degree Course of Sexual Conduct Against a Child, four years for second-degree Criminal Sexual Act, one and a half years for third-degree Rape, and one year for Forcible Touching, all to run concurrently, and five years post-release supervision. The defendant was convicted after a jury trial. The People had requested 18 years in prison.

According to the investigation, the assaults spanned from April 2007 to June 2014. The defendant first assaulted the victim when she was 10 years old and committed numerous acts of sexual abuse up until she was 17 years old, when she was raped. The abuse was first told to family members in 2018. Her outcry was triggered when she suspected the defendant of attempting to abuse another child. He was arrested on July 19, 2019.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kathleen Baer of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau and former Assistant District Attorney Stephanie Baehr, under the supervision of Rachel Ferrari, Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of Special Victims Division and Joseph Muroff, Chief of Special Victims Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detective Vanessa Rivera from the Bronx Special Victims Squad for her assistance in the investigation.