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**BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 16 YEARS IN PRISON FOR KILLING  
GIRLFRIEND'S ONE-YEAR-OLD SON**  
**Defendant Pleaded Guilty to First-degree Manslaughter**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 16 years in prison and 5 years post release supervision for fatally beating a baby.

District Attorney Clark said, "Legacy Beauford suffered an atrocious death. This one-year-old boy was beaten until he was no longer breathing, because he was crying. The defendant is now going to prison for his monstrous acts."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Keishawn Gordon, 26, of 420 East 169th Street was sentenced today to 16 years in prison and 5 years post release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Seth Steed. He pleaded guilty to first-degree Manslaughter on October 12, 2023.

According to the investigation, between September 8 and September 9, 2021, the defendant was in the home he shared with his girlfriend and was babysitting her son, Legacy Beauford, 1, while the child's mother was not home. The defendant violently squeezed the baby and threw him up in the air and hit him in the face because the child would not stop crying. The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner determined the baby sustained multiple blunt force trauma injuries to the torso, which led to a lacerated liver and internal bleeding. The defendant also violated the child with a toothbrush.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Astrid Borgstedt, Trial Counsel of the Child Abuse/Sex Crime Bureau, and Rachael Baughman, of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, under the supervision of Johanna Hernandez, Deputy Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau and Mimi Mairs, Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Division, and Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division.

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District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Preparation Assistant Elaina Clarke of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau for her assistance in the case.

District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detectives Michael Best of the 42nd Precinct Squad and Robert Cintron of Bronx Homicide Task Force for their work in the investigation.