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**BRONX TEEN SENTENCED TO 12 YEARS TO LIFE IN PRISON FOR KILLING
INNOCENT BYSTANDER AND WOUNDING FOUR OTHERS IN SUBWAY
Defendant Was Also Sentenced for Prior Shooting that Wounded Teenage Boy**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a 16-year-old Bronx boy was sentenced to 12 years to life in prison for second-degree Murder for killing an innocent bystander on a subway platform, and one to three years in prison for Attempted Murder for shooting a teen four weeks earlier.

District Attorney Clark said, “This case is beyond tragic. The defendant was just 14 years old when he committed two shootings in less than a month. He engaged in a shootout in the subway, killing a man and wounding four people, including a woman who required reconstructive surgeries to her face. He also wounded another teenager in a shooting. This illustrates our community’s need to stem youth gun violence.”

District Attorney Clark said Michael Baker, 16, was sentenced to 12 years to life in prison for second-degree Murder and one to three years in prison for Attempted Murder in the second-degree by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Gayle Roberts. The sentences are to run concurrently. He pleaded guilty to those charges on October 20, 2025.

In the first incident, according to the investigation, on January 15, 2024, at approximately 6:40 p.m., on the corner of Davidson Avenue and West Tremont Avenue, the defendant along with unapprehended individuals began shooting in the direction of young rivals. A 17-year-old boy was shot in the leg.

On February 12, 2024, at approximately 4:35 p.m., at the Mount Eden subway station on



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the 4-train platform, the defendant engaged in a shootout with two people during rush hour. Four people coming home from work and school were shot, including Obed Beltran Sanchez, 35, who was fatally shot in the torso. A 28-year-old woman was shot in the face and required multiple reconstructive surgeries, a 14-year-old girl was shot in the foot, a 28-year-old man was shot in the arm, and a 71-year-old man was shot in the hand. The defendant was also shot in the left thigh and left ear. Evidence supports that the defendant fired the fatal shot at Beltran Sanchez. A total of 19 shell casings were recovered at the scene and are believed to have come from the defendant and other shooters.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Homicide Counsel Morgan Dolan of the Homicide Bureau, under the supervision of Burim Namani, Deputy Chief of the Homicide Bureau, Christine Scaccia, Chief of the Homicide Bureau, and under the overall supervision of James Brennan, Deputy Chief of the Trial Division, and Theresa Gottlieb, Chief of the Trial Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Kamens of the Homicide Bureau, Trial Preparation Supervisor Kimberly Cameron, Trial Preparation Assistants Jonathan Campa Pantaleon and Mateo Urrego, all of the Homicide Bureau, Trial Preparation Assistant Janelle Rosa of the Youth Justice Bureau and Intelligence Analyst Jazmine Pagoada of the Crime Strategies Bureau for their work on the case.

District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detectives Mark Buono, Thomas Geberth and Jameson Masker of the 46th Precinct Detective Squad, and NYPD Detective Arelis Collazo of the Bronx Homicide Squad for their work on the investigation.