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Charges Issued in Death of Six-Month-Old Canton Child

Prosecutor Kym L. Worthy charged Ryan Michael Kierzak, 20 of Canton with Felony Murder and Child Abuse in connection with the death of his biological six-month-old child. Felony Murder carries a maximum penalty of life without parole and Child Abuse carried a penalty of 15 years in prison.

On March 2, 2005, the child was found unresponsive and the Canton Fire Department was called to the South Haggerty home. Fire Department personnel transported the child to St. Joseph Hospital. The child was pronounced dead at the hospital.

Prosecutor Worthy said, "The only way we can protect children from a murderer living in their own home is to constantly educate the public about domestic violence and child abuse. If you have a problem get help immediately. Our office has noticed a disturbing trend of deaths related to child abuse and domestic violence. If you need information you can contact our office at 313-224-5857.

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