MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

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Northfield Village Man Sentenced to 15 Years in Prison

(September 6, 2013... Akron) ... Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh announced today that Judge Alison McCarty sentenced John M. Muzic, 28, of Cranbrook Drive in Northfield Village, to 15 years in prison. She also deemed Muzic a Tier III sex offender, which requires him to register his address and employment with the Sheriff for the rest of his life.

In late January, Muzic stopped by his neighbor's house while a teenage babysitter was there and brought the girl back to his house after she asked to see his dogs. Muzic dragged the girl to his bedroom and threatened to kill her, and then raped her. Muzic's DNA was found on a bite mark on the girl as well as in her underwear.

A jury found Muzic guilty of Rape, a felony of the first degree; Kidnapping, a felony of the first degree; and Gross Sexual Imposition, a felony of the fourth degree, on August 28.