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PROSECUTOR KOLKOVICH ANNOUNCES CONVICTION OF WOMAN FOR MURDER OF CHILD

AKRON, OH – Today, Summit County Prosecutor Elliot Kolkovich announced that Amanda Jo Bunner, 35, was found guilty of the 2016 murder of her two-year-old son, Jaxon Bunner.

“The death of Jaxon Bunner was a preventable tragedy, and my sympathies go out to his family. There is no tolerance for child abuse in Akron, and it breaks my heart every time a case like this comes to our office,” said Prosecutor Kolkovich, **“I want to thank the vigilant employees at Akron Children’s Hospital for recognizing the signs of abuse, and the efforts of the Akron Police Department and my assistant prosecutors for their work in this case.”**

In April 2016, Jaxon suffered severe head trauma while alone with Bunner in his bedroom. Bunner waited approximately 15 minutes before calling 911. Jaxon died after suffering a massive subdural hematoma. Jaxon’s treating doctor and the medical examiner at Akron Children’s Hospital concluded that Jaxon’s brain injuries, malnourished body, and excessive amounts of bruises on his body indicated that his death was the result of child abuse.

Bunner is scheduled to be sentenced on March 27, 2025 at 10 a.m. by Summit County Common Pleas Judge Kathryn Michael.

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