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Man Sentenced to 20 Years in Prison for Causing the Death of his 17-month-old Son

Romon Enders was sentenced to 20 years in prison Thursday for child abuse causing the death of his 17-month-old son in 2015.

Enders (DOB 04/18/87) faced a sentence of from 16 to 48 years in prison. Assistant District Attorney Jess Redman sought a sentence in the upper end of that range.

Paramedics found Jayden Hernandez not breathing and unresponsive at his father's home at 1666 Clinton Street in Aurora on March 21, 2015. He died of catastrophic brain injuries. He also had multiple bruises all over his body and multiple healing rib fractures.

Redman told the court that no one wants to believe that a parent can inflict injuries so severe that they cause the death of their child.

"An unbelievable amount of force was applied to this 17-month-old child and caused his death," Redman said. "These injuries can't be explained by anything other than a high speed car accident or a fall from a multi-story building, neither of which happened in this case."

An Adams County grand jury indicted Enders (DOB 04/18/87) on the charge on October 26, 2015. He was convicted in March of one count of knowing and reckless child abuse causing death (F2). Enders gave several different stories to police, contending that other toddlers in the home caused the injury by standing on Jayden.

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