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## KIDNAPPING/MURDER SUSPECT ARRESTED

KENDRICK MYLES, 41 was arrested early this morning for Kidnapping, Home Invasion, Attempt 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Murder, 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder, 6 counts of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder, 3 counts of Illegal Use of a Weapon and Possession of a Firearm by Persons convicted of certain felonies.

### Chain of Events:

Myles started his rampage around 8:00pm last night with the kidnapping of a 9 year old family member from a home in the Bluebonnet Blvd area.

Myles then drove to a home in the 3600 block of Osceola St where he forced his way in and shot a male victim in the hand. The victim suffered non-life threatening injuries.

Myles then drove to the 6000 block of West Upland St where he fired multiple shots into a home, striking AZARIAH THOMAS, 2 years of age. THOMAS was transported to a local hospital where she succumbed to her injuries.

BRPD Uniformed Officers were then dispatched to 1431 Snipe St relative to a shots fired call around 9:51pm. Myle and another family member exchanged gunfire at that location. No one was injured during the shooting.

Myles was taken into custody in the 1600 block of Swan Ave around 2:45am this morning without incident. The 9 year old kidnapped victim was located and was safely returned to his family.

Myles was arrested and booked into East Baton Rouge Parish Prison on the listed charges. Myles was also a Fugitive for warrants that were issued through the Baton Rouge Fire Department for Arson and through the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office for Kidnapping.

The collaborative effort of the Baton Rouge Police Department and East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office was vital to the apprehension of Kendrick Myles. This entire case and chain of events are still under investigation.

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